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St Michael's CE VA Primary School



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Welcome Back everyone. We hope you had a great half term and are ready for Spring which is now officially upon us. We've had a productive start to this half of term with plenty of events planned. As I write the waft of pancakes is filling the air.

Notices

Thank you for making a big effort booking your children school dinners via Foodlinks. The system is working far more efficiently.

Parent Consultations: Will be available soon. Please liaise with your child's class teachers so you are able to track your child's progress.

Nautilus Swimming lessons: Will take place each Friday from 3rd — 31st March. Please remind your child to bring swimming costumes and towels on these days.

Scooters:

We encourage children to come to school riding a scooter/bike if they are careful and wearing the correct equipment. However there have been several cases where a small group of older children are not riding safely or thinking of others. Please talk to your child and remind them to ride considerately and safely.

Dress Funny For Money: Friday 24th March:

Children are invited to come to school in any non-school uniform. They can come in fancy dress, back to front clothes, crazy hat or hair raising hair. Children will need to bring a donation of £1 to school.

Plea from Local Resident:

A local resident has asked that we ask our parents not to sit on her wall whilst waiting for the children at the end of the day. The wall has become unstable and dangerous and she is having to have it rebuilt.

Behaviour:

Recently there have been some isolated incidents where children are being particularly unpleasant towards others. This is completely unacceptable in our school and we are actively working with these children to ensure it stops. We take it very seriously and follow the agreed Behaviour Plans of Yellow, Orange and Red routes to ensure a fair process. We appreciate your support and the open conversations we have been able to have with you.



PE Sessions: Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit: Navy/Black shorts, Navy/Black tracksuit bottoms, white T-shirt without logos. Black plimsolls for indoor use. If your child has pierced ears, please ensure the studs are removed or taped over to avoid them being caught.

School Uniform: This is now ordered online at: www.mapac.com. You can avoid the admin charge if you get your order delivered straight to the school. We will alert you once it has arrived. Please ensure your child comes to school in black school shoes with black, grey or white socks. Only stud earrings are permitted.

Lunchboxes/snacks: Lunchboxes should have a balance of savoury and sweet items and fresh fruit/veg. Chocolate bars which are biscuit based are allowed such as Club biscuits. If a child has an unfinished yoghurt pot or wrapper please encourage them to put their rubbish in the bin provided.

Allergies: Please also remember we have a number of children with serious allergies in the school and nuts are not allowed in any form including snack bars and pesto.

Sickness: If your child is unable to attend school due to sickness, please contact the office by **9am** on the day. We have a 48hr stay at home policy for children who have been physically sick or had diarrhoea.

No Smoking zone: Please remember that the school is a no smoking zone. Smoking is not permitted around the entrance to the school or the school car park.

Money for office: Please ensure that any money that is handed into the office is put in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class written clearly on the front.

KS2 End of Year Show

This year Sue Wiscombe has planned an end of year show 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' to take place during the last two weeks of the year for all of KS2. Rehearsals will take place after school during drama club on Thursdays from 1515-1630. We have sent a letter out detailing other important dates.

Local Food Links

Will soon be introducing delicious new packed lunches with a choice of Ham, Tuna Mayo, or Hummus and Grated Carrot filled rolls. Default being ham. There will also be Dinky dino cheese, A slice of homemade flapjack, a piece of fruit and healthy crisps. These will be ordered in the same way as the hot school meals. Please also keep an eye out for green jelly on St Patrick's Day and Red nose pizzas on Red Nose Day!

Sponsor Ali Davies in the Grizzly to raise funds for the PFA

Ali Davies (Henry and CC's Mum) has volunteered to do the Grizzly Race on Sunday 12th March to try and raise £300 for the St Michael's PFA. The Grizzly is 20 miles of gruesome, muddy, hilly, boggy, beachy terrain. Funds raised will go towards our PFA which helps subsidise playground equipment, IT equipment, school trips, swimming lessons and school discos amongst other things. Please show your support and sponsor Ali. A form is in the Office Reception with all the details. You can also go to: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/alirunningthegrizzly> to make your contribution.

Important Dates for the Diary

Saturday 4th March: Tag Rugby Tournament at Bridport Rugby Club

Saturday 11th March: PFA Jumble Sale (11am-1pm)

Monday 13th March: PFA Bag 2 School Collection (9-10am)

Thursday 16th March: PFA Fashion Show (Doors open at 7pm)

Friday 17th March: St. Patrick's Day

Friday 24th March: Red Nose Day: Dress Funny For Money

Friday 24th March: School Disco (6-7.30pm)

Friday 31st March: Term Ends

Tuesday 18th April: Summer Term begins

Wednesday 3rd May: Class Group Photos

Sunday 7th May: Beer Blazer Fun Run

Monday 29th May: May Bank Holiday: SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday 30th May—Friday 2nd June: Half Term week: SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 5th June: School Opens

Bikeability Instruction Classes

We are hoping to organise Bikeability Classes for Year 6 children in the Summer term. Children will need working bikes and helmets in order to take part. Consent forms will be distributed soon.

Newsletter

We are trying to develop our Newsletter and would like to send any correspondence electronically to all Parents via email. If you have not added your contact email to the School Data Collection form, please contact Lizzie/Nicole in the School Office. We plan to start sending the newsletters by email only in order to try and do our bit to save paper. The Newsletter will also be published on the school website.