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St Michael's CE Primary School

Friday 9th September 2022

Welcome back! I hope you all had an enjoyable Summer holiday, we are delighted to see all the children and have had a brilliant first week back. This Newsletter will be sent out fortnightly to give updates and messages regarding St Michael's School and the Sunninghill community.

We have had an extremely positive start to the year and the school is full of learning, laughter and happiness. Mr Meyer-White has been a great addition to our team, I know the children are really enjoying his PE lessons. It is also lovely to welcome back Mrs Pinder-White who is working in Year 5 in the morning and in the office in the afternoon.

Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart, please do remember to send them in with a raincoat, we want the children outside as much as possible. Our lost property box is situated on the playground, please do remember to label uniform. PE kits and trainers should be in all week.

Snacks and water

We have noticed a lot of snacks for breaktime are still not in line with our aim for healthy eating. Please can we ask that you aim for more healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetables. If you are going to provide snack bars or crisps, please be conscious of sourcing more healthy varieties for morning break, other crisps and chocolate bars can be saved for lunchtime! Children in EYFS and KS1 are provided with fruit, but you are welcome to send them in with more.

Please may I remind **no nuts** are allowed in packed lunches and snacks, as we have children with severe allergies. Please read the contents carefully and be mindful of foods containing nuts.

Children need to come to school with a water bottle which should be filled with water, please do not fill with juice or squash.

Attendance and punctuality

The teachers have commented on the excellent start we have had in terms of punctuality. Given that children missed so much school due to COVID, It is more important than ever for our children to be in school as much as possible and arrive in good time so we can make up for time lost. Thank you for your continued support.

Homework

In my letter sent at the end of Summer term I addressed homework and that we would be reviewing this. Thank you for those that took part in the survey, we have taken on board your feedback and homework will be as follows:

Reading

Aim for a minimum of 4 times per week, to be record in their reading record, signed by adult.

In addition, Year 5 and 6 Reading comprehension or SPAG exercise. This will be set Thursday handed in Wednesday.

To raise the profile of reading in school and at home we are working on a whole school incentive, watch this space!

Spellings

Weekly test set on Thursday tested on a Wednesday.



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Maths

Mymaths is a new online platform where all maths homework will be set and completed. We have purchased the subscription and are awaiting instructions to set up and distribute log in details.

Extras

KS2 timestables rockstars

KS1 Reading eggs

Brainbuilders:

Term	Set	Due
Autumn 1	Thursday 22 nd September	Thursday 13 th October
Autumn 2	Thursday 17 th November	Thursday 8 th December
Spring 1	Thursday 12 th January	Thursday 2 nd February
Spring 2	Thursday 2 nd March	Thursday 23 rd March
Summer 1	Thursday 27 th April	Thursday 18 th May
Summer 2	Thursday 15 th June	Thursday 6 th July

EYFS will be doing a mixture of reading, sounds and phonics and will use a variety of platforms including Purple Mash, Reading Eggs and Letterjoin.

Homework will be non-compulsory. If the choice is TV/video games and homework, we would love for you to chose homework, especially reading! However, I would much prefer children outside, playing sports, Brownies, Scouts, spending time as a family, cooking, visiting famous landmarks, outdoor experiences, etc. If you would like extra homework, we would be happy to recommend books/resources to buy or websites to use.

PTA

The AGM will be taking place on Thursday 15th September in school at 8pm. There are many exciting events and opportunities coming up this term. Please do get involved and help where you can. The work the PTA do to raise money and bring our community together is so important.

Dates for your diary

Below is a list of events taking place this term and throughout the year. More events will be added, and this list will be updated with times, plus extra events throughout the year. Some dates/times may change, we will do our best to give plenty of notice.

Class assemblies (9am in school hall)	Autumn 1: Y4 12 th October Autumn 2: Y3 23 rd November Spring 1: Y5 8 th February Spring 2: Y2 22 nd March Summer 1: Y1 24 th May Summer 2: Reception 5 th July
Harvest Church Service	19 th October (church) pm TBC
Remembrance Service	11 th November (school)
Art gallery	18 th November (location TBC)
Tree Trimming	1 st December (School)
Parent meetings	Tuesday 1 st November 1 – 5pm Wednesday 2 nd November 1 – 4pm
Nativity – Reception and Year 1	13 th December
Advent/Xmas/Assembly/Play – Year 2	6 th December 9:45
Christmas Church Service – Y6 to lead	14 th December am (church)
I sing pop	2 nd February (church)
Science fair	17 th March



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Sports day	21 st June am
Open days (Prospective parents)	28 th September, 19 th October and 30 th November
Year 6 residential	12 th – 16 th June

Open Days

We will be holding open days for prospective parents on 28th September, 19th October and 30th November. Families looking for in year transfers are more than welcome to attend, in view to go on our waiting list or fill a vacancy. Please make sure you share these dates with friends and neighbours.

Community News

You may have noticed a new barber shop open on the Highstreet, Bulldog Barbershop. They have asked me to pass on the following offer:

20% off all boys and girls hair cutting services at Bulldog Barbers if you show this newsletter.

Offer ends on the 1st of October.

(Offer excludes weekends).

FREE LOLLIES AND FRUIT SHOOTS with all services!

We are situated opposite the school gates!

16 High Street,
Sunninghill,
Ascot,
SL5 9NE



Click on the book now button on any of our platforms to book an appointment or download the booksy app and search for bulldog Barbers in sunninghill!

Instagram- @bulldog_barbers

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Website - www.bulldogbarbers.co.uk

Thank you from all the staff at St Michael's for your continued support.