



St Michael's CE Junior School

Newsletter – Issue 4 20.10.2023

MESSAGE FROM MRS JONES

Thank you to all of the parents who came to parents' evenings this week, it was great to see everyone and to see the children sharing their work with their adults.

The children have now had seven weeks back at school since the summer holiday and next week they have a well-earned half term break. I really do hope that you all have a lovely half term and can enjoy some family time. When we come back it will be the countdown to Christmas!

CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS

If your child takes part in activities outside school which merit a mention in our newsletter, e.g. sporting or musical achievements, please let the School Office know, and we shall ensure it is included in the next newsletter.

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Connie H in Rowling competed in a dance competition last week and placed 7th in the under 10s street dance with her dance partner. Well done Connie!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individual school photos will be taken on Monday 27th November 2023.

BINGO EVENING

We are holding a free family BINGO evening on Thursday 9th November from 6.00-7.00pm in the school hall. All parents and children are invited to attend, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Cold soft drinks and snacks will be provided. There will also be a raffle, tickets can be purchased on the night. Everyone is welcome – we look forward to seeing you there!

INSET DAY

The next School Inset Day is Monday 20th November 2023. Please note that the school will be shut for all pupils this day.

LIBRARY CLUB

Library club will start after half term on Tuesday 31st October 2023. Library club is open to all years, and will be held on Tuesdays after school from 3.30-4.20pm. You can sign your child up via Scopay on Friday 20th October 2023 from 4.00pm.

FLU VACCINATION

The flu vaccination for all children will take place in school on Thursday 23rd November 2023. Please note that the deadline for registering your child to have the nasal vaccination in school is Friday 17th November 2023.

PARENT COFFEE MORNING

The next Parent Coffee Morning is being held on Wednesday 1st November 2023 from 8.50-9.15am. If you wish to attend, please enter through the kitchen side door where the Year 6 Ambassadors will greet you.

MENU CHANGE / BONFIRE MENU

Please find attached the new menu for school lunches, commencing Monday 30th October 2023. The third option will be jacket potato, with a choice of either baked beans, tuna or cheese.

We will also be providing a Bonfire themed menu for Friday 3rd November 2023.

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POPPY APPEAL

We are taking part in the British Legion Poppy Appeal again this year. Each class will have the opportunity to buy poppies, wrist bands and zip tags. These will be available in school from Tuesday 31st October - Friday 3rd November 2023.

RAGS 2 RICHES

A reminder to all parents that we have signed up again to the Rags2Riches recycling scheme, to raise money for the school and to help others around the world benefit from our good quality unwanted clothes and shoes. **We have a collection booked for Monday 27th November 2023** but we will take in any bags that you have and store them in school until that date. Please help us to help others and raise much needed funds for our school. Our last collection in May raised £117.00 for the school so thank you for your continuing support.

HARVEST FESTIVAL APPEAL - THANK YOU

Message from Simon Gornall, Manager of the Community Grub Hub CIC.

“Thank you so much for the wonderful Harvest Festival donations to the Community Grub Hub collected today. We hugely appreciate the generosity of all who provided them, and your organisation of the collections. I realise it’s a lot of work but the food will be much appreciated by Rushmoor residents in need. The Community Grub Hub is now regularly serving 220 locals and giving out c. 1,200 Kgs free food each Tuesday”.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If your child is in Year 6, the deadline for applications to secondary school is 31st October 2023. You will be notified about which school your child has been allocated on 1st March 2024. It is really important that parents get the applications in on time otherwise your child may not get the school they want to go to.

COATS

Please could all parents send their child in to school with a coat every day. We try to ensure the children go out to play and we do go out in all weathers!

DIARY DATES

All diary dates for future events are now available on our school website – this will be updated regularly as and when events are added/updated.

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| 20 th October | Last day of school | |
| 23-27 th October | HALF TERM | |
| 31 st October | Deadline for Secondary School applications to be submitted | |
| 2 nd November | Y5 SeaCity Museum Trip | |
| 3 rd November | Bonfire Themed Lunch Menu | |
| 6 th November | Remembrance Week | |
| 7 th November | PTFA Annual General Meeting | 2.15-3.15pm |
| 9 th November | Y6 Gilbert White House Trip – Attenborough | |
| 9 th November | BINGO Evening for parents & children | 6.00-7.00pm |
| 10 th November | Y6 Gilbert White House Trip – Shackleton & Columbus | |
| 16 th November | PTFA Disco Y3/4 | 6.15-7.00pm |
| 16 th November | PTFA Disco Y5/6 | 7.15-8.00pm |
| 17 th November | Children In Need | |
| 20 th November | SCHOOL INSET DAY – School closed to all pupils | |
| 23 rd November | Flu Immunisations – in school | |

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