

St. Michael's Newsletter



Friday, 29th April 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

May Day Bank Holiday

The school will be closed on **Monday, 2nd May** for the national Bank Holiday. It will open as normal on **Tuesday, 3rd May**. We hope that you all enjoy the long weekend and that the weather isn't too cold!!

School Dinners

On Tuesday, 3rd May there will be a menu change. Due to the cold weather, we will be offering macaroni cheese and tomato pasta as per the Monday menu and not the picnic day menu. Thank you.

Year 4 Roman Day

On Friday 22nd April Year 4 were transformed into Romans for the day. Everyone entered into the spirit of the day, dressed in impressive Roman costumes. The setting for the day was 60 AD, the Boudiccan revolt. The children took the roles of Roman citizens and slaves during the Boudiccan revolt. From their villa, the children awaited news of the outcome, discussing the events that led to this dangerous time in the history of Roman occupied Britain.

In the morning the children enjoyed a series of practical activities including making mosaics, Roman scent bags, ink making and being scribes, creating wax message tablets, modelling clay oil lamps, being beauticians and crafting Roman jewellery. The children even had to sell their goods to a merchant and barter for a best price.

In the afternoon the children prepared for a banquet to celebrate Boudicca's defeat. Food was served by children acting as slaves and the children also prepared performances, taking the roles of actors, dancers and soldier-athletes.

We would like to especially thank our parent volunteers, Mrs Brown, Mrs Heinz and Mrs England. All of Year 4 had an amazing day which brought this period of history to life in a dramatic way.



Prospective Parents

We were delighted to welcome parents of children who will be coming to St. Michael's in September. Our children in Year 5 gave them a tour of the school and answered all their questions. Well done children.

SMASH Disco

Don't forget our disco tonight. It is open to all children from the school and raises much needed funds for school projects.

Early Morning Clubs

Could we please remind parents that children should not be in school until 7:55 am if their early morning club starts at 8:00 am and 8:10 for Early Bird Learning. Thank you.

PE Kit

A small number of our children are still coming to school without PE kit. Could parents please ensure that children have a white top, black shorts and well-fitting plimsolls or trainers. Thank you for your support.

Safeguarding Evening

If you would like an entertaining evening at your local school, please come to our Safeguarding Children in the 21st Century evening. It will be held on **Monday, 9th May at 7:00 pm** in the school hall and there will be wine and nibbles. It is presented by the 2 Johns, experts in the field of E safety. Thanks to all the parents who have already returned their slips.

w/c 3rd May - Menu week 4 new Summer menus – on website.

Dates for your Diary

Monday, 2nd May - School closed for the May Day Bank Holiday
Week beginning 9th May – 12th May - SATs exam week – Year 6
Monday, 9th May @ 7:00 pm – '2 Johns' E safety presentation
Week beginning Monday, 16th May – Friday, 20th May – Science Week
Friday 27th May - Break up for the half term holiday
Monday, 6th June - Children return to school
Wednesday, 22nd June – Junior Music Festival – Civic Theatre @ 7:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday, 25th/26th June – Camp - over
Friday, 1st July – School Sports Day
Saturday, 9th July – Joint Summer Fete with GIS – 12:00 midday – 3:00 pm
Friday, 22nd July - School closes for the summer holidays
Thursday, 1st September 2016 - Non-pupil day
Friday, 2nd September 2016 - Non-pupil day
Monday, 5th September 2016 - Children return to school after the summer break

Yours sincerely



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