

St. Michael's CE (VA) Junior

School Newsletter

by Mrs Rumsey



Friday, 21st June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hockey Trip to London

On Friday, 14th June, 15 people went to a hockey match. The match was between Great Britain vs Netherlands at Lee Valley in Stratford. The main match was 2-2 but Great Britain scored in the last minute. The Netherlands won 4-3 on a penalty shootout, but it was a good game.

Before the game, we ran out with the players from both sides. In addition to this, we were seen on BT Sport. After the game, we got autographs and pictures as well as playing some hockey on the pitch.

Thank you to Mr. Sturton and the parents for organising the event and attending the event with us. Report written by Harrison and Samuel in 5O



Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service offers a monthly Healthy Family Drop In on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm. This is a chance for parents to come along to meet the Healthy Family Support Worker (Fiona Daly) with any concerns that you may have. THIS SESSION IS FOR CONCERNS/QUERIES REGARDING SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN.

The Healthy Family Support Worker can undertake hearing tests, height and weight measurements along with supporting with issues such as diet, sleep and behaviour or parenting support.

Alzheimer's Society Cake Sale

Class 5O (with the invaluable help of Mrs Foakes and Miss Deackes!) managed to raise a grand total of £60.45 for the Alzheimer's Society at the cupcake sale last week. A big thank you to all the parents who donated cakes to be sold for such a worthwhile cause.



Manor Lodge Visit

5O had the most wonderful time at Manor Lodge Care Home on Tuesday afternoon. This month's session involved the residents sharing their memory books with the children and this was, by far and away, our favourite session yet. I observed the children admiring the residents' photographs, asking about their family tree, comparing countries they have visited, laughing with them, comforting them. This was all rounded off with an ice-cream! We are delighted to be continuing our link with the home with my new class next year. Mrs. Orton



Music Festival

On Thursday, 20th June, Year 5 and 6 choir went to sing at the Civic Theatre in Chelmsford. Rehearsals were from 9:15 am to 2:30 pm.

At 7:00 pm, we returned to sing for 2 hours, but 15 minutes of that we had a break and listened to a harpist. We are so grateful to have had this opportunity. Thanks to all the adults who helped and supported us. Report written by Olivia and Olivia in 5O.

Once again, our children were brilliant. They sang their hearts out and Jia-Li came to the conductor's podium to do her diva impersonation! Well done children you were amazing!



Messages from Mrs. Bowcher

Thank you to everyone who has brought in plastic bottle lids. Mrs Bowcher has been using them to decorate our flowerbed benches on the playground and they are looking wonderful but we still need many more. Please bring them in so we can finish the project.

On **Thursday 27th June at 2:30pm** the school council will be holding a special assembly where they will be sharing the articles from the convention with parents, carers, governors and other stakeholders. We would love for you to join us to celebrate us coming together and agreeing on these articles. It is important that not only staff members and children agree on these rights, but adults within our community do too. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.



More Sports News

Monday - Quad Kids Competition

Year 5/6 finished 3rd and Year 3/4 finished 2nd, both got medals. Congratulations!



Wednesday - Great Baddow Cricket Competition

Jonathan Opens Sporting Event!

On Wednesday as Head Boy for the Multi Schools Council, I opened their Sport For All event with a speech. 13 special schools were there competing in events such as archery, curling and wheelchair basketball. After lunch I was invited to play wheelchair basketball. I joined Thriftwood School and played Lancaster School. Thriftwood won by 1-0. I made lots of friends and had lots of fun. I also got to meet Wendy a Paralympian from the London 2012 games for wheelchair basketball.



Amazon Wish List

Thank you to all our anonymous donors for our gifts this week. It really does help.

You can use the following link in your browser to access our wish list and then log in

<http://amzn.eu/iLEmThI>.

Every gift is important to us no matter how large or small.

SMASH NEWS

Dates for your diaries:-

Friday, 28th June – Non-uniform Day (dress in a multi-coloured outfit) – Donate bottles for the bottle tombola (any alcohol to the school office please).

Sunday, 30th June – Pop Up Circus 1pm and 2:30 pm

Friday, 12th July – Leavers' Disco for all Year Groups



POPUP CIRCUS

St Michael's CE (va) Juniors
Galleywood

£7 a ticket of the door

Open to Everyone

30th June
1pm & 2.30pm

£6 a Ticket
Available now from
The School Office

or email
stmichaelssmash@gmail.com
Please support our school

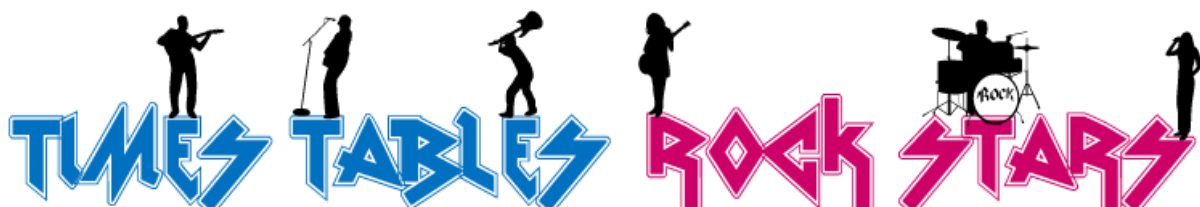
Please support these events. We are raising money for a new bicycle shed and for some new Chrome Books

BBQ, Mocktails, Bottle Tombola, Face Painting, Raffle and Games for all the Family

Get your tickets from the school office – NOW!

£6.00 in advance, £7.00 on the door

Please support this wonderful community event!



THIS WEEK'S LEADERBOARD:

	First	Second	Third
Year 3 Most improved	Mia S	Ellie F	Ewan R-D
Year 3 Correct Answers	Mia S	Alessandro E	Max J
Year 4 Most improved	Alaya P	Ruby May L	N/A
Year 4 Correct Answers	Jessica Sa	Jack H	Finn R
Year 5 Most improved	N/A	N/A	N/A
Year 5 Correct Answers	Olivia Me	Harry A	Ethan R
Year 6 Most improved	N/A	N/A	N/A
Year 6 Correct Answers	Jackson H	Rhianna R	Lexie T

Online Safety Session – Wednesday, 26th June 1:30 or 6:30

We teach our children to safely cross the road. We teach our children to not go with strangers. We now need to teach our children how to keep safe on line. Please see the attached flyer that includes a return slip and please put this in your diary as a matter of urgency. If you are unable to get childcare in the evening session, we are offering a free film night for your children, who will be supervised by school staff.



The good, the bad... and the unknown



Essential awareness session for **every** Parent and Carer

Date: Wednesday 26th June 2019

Time: 1.15 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. **or** 6.30 p.m. – 8.15 p.m.

Venue: **St Michael's Junior School**

Details:

Many parents and carers are aware of the fast-changing world of technology in which their children are immersed. This **essential** presentation offers parents advice on what they can do to avoid higher risk situations and how to cope if their children (or their children's friends) encounter them.

Topics covered include:

- Raising awareness of the changes to human behaviour when online
- Risks and benefits to children and young people when using internet technology
- The technologies children are using; explanation of different risks including grooming, sexting, cyberbullying, addiction, inappropriate content, gaming, 'friends' and mental health issues
- Practical advice for parents to help keep their children safe
- Top tips for parents and signposts to further information and resources

The session is essential for all parents irrespective



Multi-Coloured Day



28th June



Dress as colourful as you like
or in circus theme!

In return bring a bottle
of any type
into school for our
bottle tombola
for the circus



All Year Groups

12th July

6-7.30pm



"Beach Theme"

£5 a Ticket

includes drinks & Crisps

Additional Items for purchase on the night
Tickets purchased on Parent Pay

Trip Payments Due

Payments are now due for the trips and events below; please can you ensure that any outstanding balances on ParentPay are paid as soon as possible. The School will, unfortunately have no alternative but to cancel a trip if sufficient funds are not received to cover the cost of a trip or event.

Aylmerton – Year 5: We have now finalised the total for this trip at £340 per pupil based on advised final costs. Final payment will be required at the latest by July 2019, please check your outstanding balance on ParentPay. If sufficient payments are not made the School will have to consider the viability of this trip going ahead.

Mersea – Year 4: Please can you ensure that you have paid all monies due for this trip as there are still some outstanding balances. Thank you.

Violin Lessons (summer term): £100 (cost for 10 lessons with Miss Canale) has now been loaded on ParentPay for those children having violin lessons. **Please ensure that you have cleared any balance for the spring and summer terms.** Thank you.

School Social Media Please make sure you follow our school social media accounts for important updates, and fun photos and videos of what the children have been up to!



Facebook
Twitter
Instagram

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Dinner Menu

The menu next week will be week 3. Please check the school website for the menu.

Diary Dates

Wednesday, 26th June – E safety awareness meeting

Friday, 28th June – Multi-Coloured Dressing up day

Friday, 28th June – School Reports sent out to parents

Sunday, 30th June – The Circus arrives at St. Michael's! SMASH Circus Event

Tuesday, 2nd July – Sports Day @ 1:15 pm

Wednesday 3rd July – Year 5 to Great Baddow High School for taster day

Wednesday, 10th and Thursday, 11th July – Year 6 Production

Friday, 12th July – Summer Disco- 6:00 pm-7:30 pm

Monday, 15th July – Summer Music concert

Thursday, 18th July @ 10:00 am – Leavers' Service at St. Michael's Church

Friday, 19th July – School closes for the summer holidays

Yours sincerely,



Maria Rumsey
Headteacher