

St. Michael's Nursery & Infant School

NEWSLETTER – DECEMBER 2020



End of term date to remain the same

You may have heard or seen on the news yesterday an announcement from the Department for Education regarding the possibility of moving INSET days to Friday 18th December in connection with the Track and Trace system. Public Health Cumbria have assured schools that Cumbria has a robust 48-hour Track and Trace system and therefore an additional day's closure is not required. **St Michael's Nursery and Infant School will be open as normal and school will close at 1.15pm on Friday 18th December for Christmas Break.**

Changes to the One-Way-System

Yesterday the Governing Body had their termly Full Governors Meeting. Within the meeting the subject of the one-way-system was discussed. Parent Governors suggested school reversing the entrance and exit procedures of the school yard to avoid lots of people exiting onto Station Road where it is extremely busy with cars and pedestrians.

The Governors all agreed that with immediate effect parents and children should enter the school yard via Station Road gate and exit via the gate beside the church yard. This will allow a steadier flow of parents when exiting the yard and not going directly onto a main road which can be very busy and potentially dangerous when lots of people are exiting with children together.

Thank you to everyone for wearing masks when entering the school grounds and thank you for collecting children using 1 adult.

All the safety measures we have, continue to keep our school community safe and we are all very grateful for your support.

PE days

Starting in January, Years 1 and 2 will have PE on Mondays and Tuesdays. Reception and Nursery will have their PE on Thursdays. Please can children come to school in joggers/leggings on those days.

Thank you

Nursery and Year 2 Parents

If you have not already done so please ensure that you have made an application for a place either in Reception or at Junior School for your child. The closing date for all applications is **15th January 2021.**

Christmas Lunch Day Tuesday 15th December

Mrs Miller the School Cook and Miss Riley the Kitchen Assistant are preparing for a lovely Christmas lunch. Sorry but we are unable to provide sandwiches on this day. Thank you for your support
The children will have crackers to pull and hats to wear so it will be good fun!

Hospice at Home Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 18th December

This Year St Michael's will raise money on Christmas Jumper Day for the very deserving charity, Hospice at Home. We are asking everyone to wear a festive jumper on our last day of autumn term 18th December and bring a suggested donation of £2 to support Hospice at Home West Cumbria. This will help the charity to continue to provide palliative and end of life care to patients and their families in our local community.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We still have a vacancy for a Parent Governor in School. Please contact the school office for more information. Thank you

Reverse Advent Calendar

We would like to say a ginormous THANK YOU to each and everyone of our families for their extremely generous donations to our reverse advent calendar. The food donations have been overwhelming and we can't thank you enough for your kindness!

School closes at 1.15pm on Friday 18th December

We re-open at 8.50am Tuesday 5th January 2021 (Rec, Year1, Year 2)

Nursery (incl. 30 hours) start back at 8.50am on Wed 6th January 2021

Please make any bookings for morning club before the end of term

*On behalf of all the staff at St Michael's,
We wish everyone a Happy Christmas
and a restful and prosperous New Year*

Dates for your diary

<i>Tuesday 15th December</i>	<i>Christmas Lunch Day</i>
<i>Friday 18th December</i>	<i>Hospice at Home Christmas Jumper Day £2 suggested donation</i>
<i>Friday 18th December</i>	<i>School Closes at 1.15pm for Christmas Break</i>
<i>Tuesday 5th January</i>	<i>School re opens for Spring Term 1 at 8.50am (8am Morning Club) for Reception, Year 1 and 2 only</i>
<i>Wednesday 6th January</i>	<i>School re-opens for Nursery children and 30 hours begins</i>
<i>Friday 12th February</i>	<i>School closes at 3.00pm for February half term</i>
<i>Monday 22nd February</i>	<i>School re opens for Spring Term 2 at 8.50am (8am Morning Club)</i>
<i>Thursday 1st April</i>	<i>School Closes at 1.15pm for Easter Break</i>
<i>Monday 19th April</i>	<i>School re opens for Summer Term 1 at 8.50am (8am Morning Club)</i>
<i>Monday 3rd May</i>	<i>Bank Holiday School Closed</i>
<i>Friday 28th May</i>	<i>School Closes at 3.00pm for May half term</i>
<i>Monday 7th June</i>	<i>School re opens for Summer Term 2 at 8.50am (8am Morning Club)</i>
<i>Friday 16th July</i>	<i>School Closes at 1.15pm for Summer Break</i>