



St Michael's Nursery and Infant School

Newsletter – July 2023



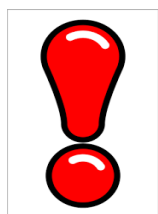
Wow! Here is the final Newsletter of the academic year! We have never known time go by so quickly. It must be all the fun we have had, but we still have more to come to finish off the term. We also have some important dates for the next academic year, so please take time to read. As always, thank you all for your continued support and encouragement throughout the year. We wish all our little ones that are moving on all the luck in the world and we can't wait to meet all our new ones, along with our returning children!

Attendance/punctuality:

Hopefully we can wave goodbye to all the nasty bugs that have hounded us recently and have a full-house for the remainder of term, although we appreciate that these things can't always be avoided. Year 2 were last weeks attendance winners so the race is on for the winning place!

If your child is sick, please call the school office on 01900 608111 and leave a message, Miss Stagg will record this for you.

Punctuality is just as important as attendance as this settles the children for the day. One child being late can disrupt the morning for the whole class. We have Breakfast Club that can be accessed from 8am-8.35am each morning so please use this if needed. We have slightly earlier start times in September, so this is something worth thinking about to set everyone off on the right foot for the day.



Behaviour Policy:

We would like to draw everyone's attention back to the Behaviour Policy that it available on our website. This does not just apply to the standards and expectations that we expect from the children, but also the grown-ups that visit the school. Although this is a minority and we may not have to deal with any other incidents, we would just like to stress, for the well-being and safety of everyone that is part of our school community, that we will not tolerate abusive, intimidating or insulting language/behaviour. Although we have no control of what happens outside of the school premises, we still have a duty of care to all children and grown-ups that may have to witness such behaviour and we hope you can all appreciate that this is not the environment we want for any of our families. We will take all matters and concerns seriously and respond to them accordingly.

Safeguarding:

St Michael's Nursery and Infant School places a high level of importance on the welfare, protection and safeguarding of all its pupils. There are posters around school with useful numbers to contact if you are worried or concerned about a child or a family. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Cumbria Safeguarding Hub: **0333 240 1727**





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Reports:

Children will be coming home with their reports this week. We kindly ask that all parents could fill out our feedback questionnaire that will be attached and this data will be uploaded to the web. We hope you love reading them as much as we have.



School Disco:



Our annual Summer Disco is this Thursday 13th July 4.30pm-6pm in our school hall. £3.00 per child to be paid on the night please, no payment should be made in advance. There will be food, drinks and a whole lot of fun! We welcome all children including Nursery, as long as they are willing to stay with us, as we are unable to invite their grown-ups to stay. We love to celebrate all the childrens' achievements and resilience throughout the year and what better way to do this than throw them all a party!

Uniform Recycle Week:

We are welcoming all children to come into school in non-uniform for the final few days of the term, starting Monday 17th July. We ask in return, if you have any spare uniform that your child(ren) may have grown out of or no longer wear, could you please donate this to us and we will be holding a stall on Tuesday and Wednesday morning of that week which is open to everyone to collect any uniform you may need for September. This uniform could also include any from other schools as we have some children ready for transition or older siblings in other settings. We appreciate all you can and already give. This will be completely FREE!! Some of these items may include:

- Sweatshirts
- Cardigans
- Polo tops
- PE Kits
- Trainers
- Shoes
- Bags
- Book bags
- Trousers
- Leggings
- Skirts
- Dresses
- Coats
- Wellies





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Victoria Junior School Mini Police Visit:

The Mini Police will be coming into school with PCSO Pape to give a small talk to some of the children on Monday 17th July around 'water safety'. This is very important, especially as visits to the lake and beach etc are more popular this time of the year, along with going to pools and water parks.

Year 2 Leavers Assembly:

It's almost time to celebrate our Year 2 class moving on to their new adventures. All invites have been sent and the event will take place in the school hall at 1.30pm on Monday 17th July. The children really do deserve this send-off and we can't wait to share with you all their amazing performance. It's always very sad to say Goodbye, but we know you will all do amazing things and are proud of each and every one of you!





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School times for September:

As you may already be aware, all schools have had to increase their hours across the week by September 2023. Some schools have already made these changes and others already had increased hours, however, we decided to wait until it was legally necessary before implementing these changes.

Tiny Teds Morning session – 8.30am-11.30am

Tiny Teds Afternoon Session – 12.15pm-3.15pm

Nursery – 8.45am – 11.45am

Teddy Bears (afternoon nursery/30 hours) – 8.45am - 3.05pm

Main School (Reception, Y1 and Y2) – 8.35am-3.15pm

Doors will close 10 minutes after opening time for learning to begin. As already stated, please be punctual and attentive so that your child has the best start to the day.

Starting back in September:

Each September we have slightly staggered starting back times to ensure the younger ones can settle into their new settings and to enable staff to carry out home visits for new starters. Please take time to read the below:

Tiny Teds:

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September - Home Visits

Wednesday 6th September - 1 hour session

Thursday 7th September - 2 hour session

Friday 8th September - 3 hour session

Other bespoke settling in sessions based on session dates and times can be booked in at home visit.

Nursery:

Wednesday 6th September – Home visits

Thursday 7th September and Friday 8th September – 8.45am – 11.45am

Monday 11th September – 30 hours will resume if needed.

Reception:

Wednesday 6th September – Home Visits

Thursday 7th September and Friday 8th September – 8.35am – 1.15pm (including lunch)

Monday 11th September – Full day resumes.

Year 1 and Year 2:

Start back at 8.35am-3.15pm on Wednesday 6th September.



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Dates for the Diary

Thursday 13th July

School Disco 4.30pm-6pm

Monday 17th July

Uniform Recycle Week

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Year 2 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm

Wednesday 19th July

School closes at 1.15pm

Wednesday 6th September

Tiny Teds, Y1 and Y2 start back

Thursday 7th September

Nursery and Reception start back