



St Michael's Nursery and Infant School

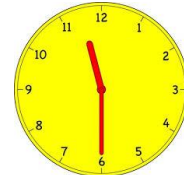
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We are now in the final term! This year has flown by so quickly, but we still have lots of fun activities in store. We hope all the children enjoy their final weeks with their current teachers, some moving on to a new adventure and we will miss them all.

Attendance and sickness:

The final stretch for overall attendance winners starts now. As always, thank you all for your continued support in maintaining your child's attendance. As you will all be aware, there was a major outbreak of chicken pox, particularly in our Nursery class, but we still ask all grown ups to ensure they check for signs if your child has not yet had them and ensure you keep them off until all spots have scabbed over. Attendance and punctuality are key for your child to have a great start and thrive at school. If your child is late, this can cause disruption, not only to their day, but to the rest of their class too. The doors open at 8.50am and close at 9am. Please try and have your child here as early as possible to allow them time to settle in.



If you would like your child to attend breakfast club, please let Miss Stagg know. This starts at 8am-8.40am and costs £2.00 per session.

If your child is off for any reason, please call the school office on 01900 608111. There is an automated service where you can leave a message and Miss Stagg will pick this up.



Weather:

The sun has got his hat on! What a lovely few weeks we are having and long may it continue. That being said, we need to make sure our little ones are well protected, so please make sure they all come to school with sun cream and a sun hat. Sun cream can be brought into school to be reapplied with your permission. Please hand this on to your class teacher with their name on.

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***

After-School Clubs:

We have lots of new clubs starting next week with a lot of variety for the children to enjoy. We love to promote anything that encourages healthy body and minds with lots of active and imaginative play.



Monday – Gymnastics will continue for the Reception class (places still available)

Tuesday – Tennis with Coach David for Year 2 (FULL)

Wednesday – Choir for Years 1 and 2 (few spaces left)

Thursday – Arts and crafts for Reception (places still available)



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Friday – Bookworm book club for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (FULL)

Thank you so much to everyone that has expressed interest and got involved and apologies to anyone that couldn't get onto certain groups. They have been extremely popular this term which is absolutely fantastic.



There will be NO clubs on the final week of term.

Reception multi-skills:

St Joseph's have invited our Reception children to join them for a multi-skills festival on Tuesday 13th June. They will have an early lunch and M&I Travel will come and collect the children then pick them back up again afterwards in time for usual home time finishing. Please bring a bottle of water (named) and trainers. Kits will be in school.



Swimming for Year 2:

Swimming is a very important life-skill for all children and adults to learn which is why this is part of the curriculum and we promote this every year.

We will be taking the Year 2 children to the Workington Leisure Centre for a full week. Their first session will be Monday 19th June and finish on Friday 23rd June.

Staff and children will walk to the leisure centre each morning and be back in time for lunch. Their session is one hour long (10.30am-11.30am).

All children will need to bring in a dry towel and swimming costume EVERY DAY in a plastic bag. Please can we avoid bringing goggles as this can cause more of a distraction, unless absolutely necessary.

Wright Sports:

Our Year 2 class are very lucky to have another sports coach (Rhys) from Wright's Sports join us for six weeks this term and do more sporting activities on the yard with the children in the morning. This is a great opportunity for them to build more skills and get the benefit of being outdoors and active.

Football competition:

The Year 1 children have been invited to take part in a football competition at Workington Leisure Centre with some of the other local schools. This will be held on Friday 23rd June in school time. Children will need to come to school with a water bottle (named) and trainers, PE kits will be in school. Reminders will be sent nearer the time.





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Sports For Schools:

We were contacted earlier this year with the chance for the children to meet a sporting athlete who will come in and give a motivational talk and get the children involved in an age appropriate fitness circuit. Their aim is to try and inspire as many children as possible to pursue a healthy and active lifestyle and maybe even follow in the athlete's foot steps professionally. One of the members of Sports For Schools will be coming in to do an assembly and prepare the children for the event on Thursday 15th June and the event itself will take place on Tuesday 27th June.



Whole school trip:

We have managed to organise another whole school trip (including Nursery) to Lake District Wildlife Park (Trotters Farm) on Friday 30th June. We will be travelling there and back with M&I Travel and leaving school at 9.15am PROMPT. We kindly request a contribution of £10.00 to go towards the admission and bus cost.

We will be back in time for usual collection time.

School will be otherwise closed on this day, therefore, if your child is in nursery and is not attending the trip, they will not be able to come in that day.

As we will be providing lunch for the children, we would just request £2.50 to cover the lunch for any of the nursery class that will be coming along.

A letter will be getting sent home next week with all other details on.

We hope the children are as excited as us!



Sports Day:

Its that time of year again! We are hoping that this glorious weather holds out for the events. We will be holding our sports day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at the Derwent Park stadium again on Monday 3rd July. The event will start at 1.30pm. All spectators are welcome and children can go home with their grown ups from there. If your child is going to be staying at the after-school club or wrap-around care, they will be escorted back to school. Please let us know in the morning if your child will not be attending the after-school club.

Nursery Sports Day:

We will be holding a separate sports day for the Nursery children on the school yard on Tuesday 4th July at 11am. All spectators are welcome to come and cheer the little ones on. If your child only stays for the morning session, you can take them home when the event finishes. I am sure they will have lots of fun!



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Transition:

At this time of year, there is a lot of transitioning planned for the big moves. We always like to make this process as easy and comforting as possible for all of the children and parents. We know that there is always lots of questions, so please make sure you ask away.

Year two transition dates for Victoria Junior School:

Tuesday 27th June – Mrs Robertson will be coming in to talk to the children.

Thursday 29th June– Children will be walked over to the juniors at 1.15pm and parents will collect their children there.

Tuesday 4th July – Children will be walked over at 11am where they will spend the rest of their day (including lunch) and parents will collect from there again.

Reception to KS1:

Miss Birch will be having a meeting to discuss the transition with parents on Thursday 6th July at 2.15. All current Reception parents are invited to come along.

Nursery to Reception:

Mrs Hudson is holding her transition meeting for current Nursery children that will be moving up to Reception in September on Monday 10th July at 2.15pm. All parents are welcome.

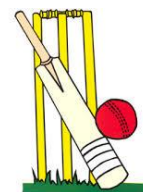


Whole School Summer Disco:

We invite all of the children (nursery included) to join us for our whole school Summer Disco in the school hall on Thursday 13th July 4.30pm-6pm. There will be food, refreshments and a whole lot of fun! We kindly request a £3.00 contribution to be paid on the door when arriving. The children certainly deserve a lovely party with their friends.

Kinder Cricket:

Year one children will be taking part in the Kinder Cricket competition at the Workington Cricket Club on Friday 7th July. This will take part within school hours and all children will be escorted there and back by the staff. They will need to bring a bottle of water (named) and trainers. Kits will be at school. Go Team St Michaels!





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Uniform Re-Cycle:

At St Michael's, we actively promote recycling and passing on anything you may no longer need. We will be inviting children to come into school in non-uniform from Monday 17th July and ask, if able, to bring in any unwanted uniform that may have outgrown your child. We will then sort through this and have a stall on the yard (hall if the weather changes) on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th July for you to come along and take whatever you need. This has always been very popular and we thank you all for your continued support and generosity.



Year 2 Leavers' Assembly:

It's a very bitter-sweet occasion when we organise our Year 2 Leavers' assembly. We are immensely proud of their amazing achievements and the fantastic young children they have grown to be. We wish them all the success and happiness moving on, but before that, we would like to invite you to join us in celebrating their final step of their journey with us.

This will be held in the school hall on Monday 17th July at 1.30pm. Due to the size of the hall and the number of children in the class, we can only allow 2 adults per family. We will be sending invites shortly, so please reply and we can have everything prepared for their big day!

Victoria Junior School Mini Police:

The mini police and PCSO Pape will be visiting the Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children on Monday 17th July. They will be discussing water safety which is a very important topic now that we have the lovely weather and lots of visits to the lake and beaches etc.



Governors update:

As a governing body, we are busy creating a new school vision together which we will update you on. As always, we love to hear from you all and we have an amazing team. Mrs Kaye Musgrave and Mrs Stacey Sanderson are our wonderful Parent Governors, so feel free to pass on any ideas/concerns to them and together, we can make a huge difference.

You may all be very familiar with Rev Dr Peter Powell who is also our Chair of governors who has kindly created an area on the perimeter of the church yard and Nursery yard in which there are planters with lots of lovely things growing and the children have eagerly helped to water and sort them all. Thank you very much.

We would also like to remind you all that there is still a place for a co-opted governor if you know of anyone that would like to take on this role.

Last day!

We break up for Summer on Wednesday 19th July at 1.15pm! Happy holidays!



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Dates for the diary:

Monday 12 th June	Gymnastics after school-club Week 1 (Last week Monday 10 th July)
Tuesday 13 th June	Tennis after-school club Week 1 (Last week Tuesday 11 th July)
Tuesday 13 th July	Reception multi-skills festival
Wednesday 14 th June	Choir after-school club Week 1 (Last week Wednesday 12 th July)
Thursday 15 th June	Sports For Schools assembly
Thursday 15 th June	Arts and Crafts after-school club Week 1 (Last week Thursday 13 th July)
Friday 16 th June	Bookworm after-school club (Last week Friday 14 th July)
Monday 19 th June	Year 2 swimming week starts
Friday 23 rd June	Year 1 Football competition
Tuesday 27 th June	Sports For Schools fitness event
Tuesday 27 th June	Mrs Robertson visting Year 2
Thursday 29 th June at 1.15pm	Year 2 visiting Victoria Juniors
Friday 30 th June	Whole School trip to Lake District Wildlife Park
Monday 3 rd July at 1.30pm	Main School Sports Day at Derwent Park
Tuesday 4 th July at 11am	Nursery Sports Day on the school yard



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Friday 7th July

Year 1 Kinder Cricket Festival

Thursday 13th July 4.30pm

Whole School Summer Disco

Monday 17th July

Uniform Re-cycle for duration of the week

Monday 17th July 1.30pm

Year 2 Leavers' assembly

Monday 17th July

Mini Police – Water safety talk

Wednesday 19th July 1.15pm

Finish for Summer!

Wednesday 6th September 8.35am

Year 1 and 2 start back

Thursday 7th September 8.35am

Reception start back

Thursday 7th September 8.45am

Nursery start back