

## ST MICHAEL'S C of E VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

At St Michael's we are always looking for ways to keep the school environment tidy so that our focus can be on learning. I would be grateful if you would look at the equipment lists set out below. As always, it is essential that all equipment is clearly labelled with your child's name.

### Ants and Bees Classes Equipment List

- St Michael's book bag (kindly provided by the PTA for all children on their first day at school). A replacement can be bought from the school office at a price of £5.00
- Small easily identifiable rucksack of your choice for school PE kit (not drawstring bag as these can be difficult for the younger children to carry to Top School)
- Water bottle
- Lunch box, if appropriate

### Cats, Dolphins and Eagles Classes Equipment List

There is a particular issue with storage space at Top School. To help, please only provide:

- School PE kit in a drawstring bag (These can then be kept centrally rather than on pegs)
- Named water bottle
- Lunch box, if appropriate
- **Small** rucksack (see below) to hold reading book, reading record and homework. Pencil cases are **not** required – children will be provided with pens/pencils etc. Children should **not** be bringing toys in to school.

### Rucksacks for children at Top School

Many children bring to school large rucksacks which don't fit on the pegs. Rucksacks on the floor are unsightly and could cause a safety hazard.

A small, dark blue St Michael's rucksack can be purchased from Stevenson's Uniform Shop at a price of £12.50 (with logo). However, we have been able to reduce the cost by buying in bulk. The PTA has also kindly offered to make a contribution which reduces the cost still further. **Rucksacks with the St Michael's logo can therefore be purchased from the school office at a cost of £5.00.** If you would prefer to buy the rucksack from an alternative supplier, please ensure that it is a **small**, plain dark blue or black rucksack.

**Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 may continue with their current rucksack until it wears out, but I would ask that any replacements fall in line with the rest of the school.**

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. I hope that these small changes will make a significant difference to the school environment.

With every good wish for a happy, restful and safe summer.

Yours sincerely

Alison Rafferty