

St Michael's C of E VA Primary School

Current core Christian value:
RESPONSIBILITY



'Do unto others as you
would have them do to you'
(Luke 6:31)

'We believe we can achieve'

As a Church School we seek to ensure that the ethos and principles of Christianity underpin the experiences of the children in our care.

27 January 2017

Newsletter No 2

Snow closure

As we could still experience snow this winter, we do need to remind parents of the procedures in place, in the event of snow causing the school to be closed.

Should we need to close the school, we will:

- Notify parents via Everbridge (the school notification system). Parents are able to register with Everbridge, in order to receive direct notification from them regarding the closure of St Michael's, as well as any other schools relating to their children by following the link:

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489>

- Notify parents via BBC Three Counties Radio (103.8 FM / 95.5 FM or 630 MW / 1161 MW) so please tune in to hear regular bulletins.
- Use Parentmail to send a very short email message, informing you of the schools closure. Should anyone still need to sign up to Parentmail, please contact the school office.
- Put a message on the home page of the school website.

Should you have any queries regarding the Everbridge registration process, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

As our hot lunch service is delivered from another school, in the event of **severe snow** we will also be asking all children to come to school with a packed lunch as the hot lunch service may not be available. We have done this in the past and it worked a treat!

This newsletter covers:

- Snow closure
- Breakfast club
- Sainsbury's Active Kids
- Out of School Achievements

Breakfast Club

We continue to be very busy but can sometimes offer ad hoc sessions on Mondays and always on Fridays.



We are still looking for a new staff member to join our team. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to contact denise.perchard@sky.com.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

The Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017 initiative launched on 25 January 2017.

Please bring any vouchers into school and either pass them to the member of staff on the door each morning or post them in the box in the porch area at the side of Top School.

Many thanks for supporting us with this. It has proved to be very popular for us each year and the children have benefited from a range of new toys and equipment.



**Out of School Achievements
(required by end of school day on Thursdays)**

Finn in Dolphins class achieved Runner Up in the under 10 Green Tennis tournament. He has also been selected to represent the South East of England in a regional match at the end of this month.

Isabella W in Ants class has moved up to stage 3 in her swimming lessons.

Checklist of Letters sent home over the last two weeks - PLEASE CHECK BOOKBAGS

Title	Class	Via
Home Learning update	Bees, Cats, Dolphins and Eagles	Parentmail
Anger – Escaping the Trap (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
Dealing with Anger (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
Growth Mindset Parent Guide (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
How to Boost Your Child's Emotional Resilience (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
Sibs Group (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
February half term activities (flyer)	Whole School	Parentmail
School Expansion request for support	Whole School	Parentmail
Maths Home Learning	Whole School	Parentmail

Please contact the school office if you did not receive one of the above letters.

Date of next newsletter: 10 February 2017

Diary Dates – Spring Term 2017

Date	Event
Week commencing 16 January	Internal school clubs start
Friday 20 January 9.00am	Ants assembly to parents
Friday 27 January from 8.00pm	PTA Gig Night at the Rose & Crown
Friday 10 February 9.00am	Bees assembly to parents
Monday 13-Friday 17 February	Half term break
Week commencing 20 February	Parent consultation evenings – exact dates and times to be confirmed
Friday 24 February	'Just Joshing' Anti-bullying Workshop in school
Saturday 25 February 2.00pm-4.00pm	PTA jumble sale in the school hall at Top School
Friday 3 March 9.00am	Cats assembly to parents
Friday 3 March	Skip to be Fit workshop in school
Tuesday 7 March 11.45am-3.00pm	Tag rugby tournament
Wednesday 8 March	Book fair arrives in school and book fair open
Friday 10 March	Dolphins assembly to parents
Monday 13 March	Level 2 cycling proficiency week (year 5 children)
Tuesday 14 March	Last day for book fair
Friday 17 March (eve)	PTA Quiz Night at Branch Road Memorial Hall
Friday 24 March 9.00am	Eagles assembly to parents
Tuesday 28 March	Year 6 Crucial Crew visit
Tuesday 28 March 2.00pm	Dress rehearsal for Cats performance
Wednesday 29 March 2.00pm and 6.00pm	Cats class performance
Friday 31 March 2.00pm	End of term

- Further details regarding each event will be sent out nearer the time.
- Unless stated otherwise, all events are held at Top School.
- **Events annotated in red involve Ants and Bees children being collected from Top School.**



Please write these dates in your diary or stick them on your fridge. School life is very busy and we don't want anybody missing out on the fun!