

# St Michael's C of E VA Primary School

Current core Christian value:  
PERSEVERANCE



'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.

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## 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
- Skipping ropes
- Dinner money
- Out of school achievements
- Breakfast club

## Skipping Ropes

The skipping ropes are proving to be a huge success!

All the ropes have now been sold which means that the school has received 10 free of charge, for use in PE lessons. Thank you to everybody who has supported this event. If your child still wishes to buy a skipping rope, they can be purchased directly from the Skip to be Fit website at [www.skip2bfit.com](http://www.skip2bfit.com)

Skipping has now become the playground game of the term and lots of fun is being had by all!

## Dinner Money

We still have monies outstanding for school dinners this term.

If you still need to pay for your child's school meal (children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6), please note this money needs to be in school by Monday 27 February at the latest.

Thank you.

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

Emily in Eagles took part in an Open Meet for her swimming club recently competing in 4 races. It was the first time Emily has swum in a 50 metre pool. She was awarded a silver medal in her 200 metre freestyle race.

Toby in Cats enjoyed playing U8 tag rugby for his club during the half-time break at a recent Saracens match. Toby scored two tries towards their draw result and then watched some of his rugby heroes playing in the match itself.

**Breakfast Club**



We are still very full every day except Fridays and we regret that at the moment we are unable to accept any ad hoc bookings Monday to Thursday.

It already looks as if we will be oversubscribed in September, so please get in touch if you want to go on our waiting list - [denise.perchard@sky.com](mailto:denise.perchard@sky.com)

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

<b>Title</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Via</b>
St Albans Abbey Choir Auditions	Year 3 Girls	Parentmail
School milk letters	R, Years 1 and 2	Paper copy
Pancake making	Cats Class	Parentmail

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

Date of next newsletter: 10 March 2017

## Diary Dates – Spring Term 2017

Date	Event
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!***