



St Michael's C of E Primary School

March 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you had a lovely half term and managed to spend some time outside - despite the weather! It was nice to see the sun on a few occasions at least. Let's hope Spring is almost here. We can't wait to see you all in person on the 8th March.

Christian Value:

This half term, the value that we are focusing on is Compassion. Compassion means we care about others, treat them with kindness and feel a strong desire to help people in need. Compassion might look like giving a hug, making a card, or saying something kind to help a friend or family member who is feeling sad or upset.

March's Right:

Each half term we will consider a different article and ensure the rights are being taught through our daily classroom practice. This month, we are focusing on Article 26 of the UNCRC, which says that children and young people should get financial support from the government when their parents or guardians are unable to provide them with a good enough standard of living by themselves.

Social Distancing and Face Coverings:

For those of you still dropping and collecting your children from site, thank you for your continued support in following social distancing rules and in wearing your face coverings. At this difficult time, it

is playing a really important part in helping to keep each other safe.

School Blogs

Find out all about what your children have been up to, by checking out our class Blogs on the school website. Go to 'Pupil Zone', then 'Blogs and Celebrations' and select the class you wish to explore. We guarantee you will want to come to school to learn too! We update the blogs every month, so make sure you check regularly and let us know what you think!

Mental Health

We are enjoying delivering our new MindUp programme that promotes emotional awareness and resilience for our children through understanding how their brains affect their feelings and behaviour. Ask your child to tell you about their pre-frontal cortex, hippocampus and amygdala and see what they know! Or they might refer to them as their wise owl, elephant and guard dog.

Froglets:

We have some exciting news about how our Froglets Nursery will be expanding. Look out for an email explaining more in the next week.



UNCRC Article 26 - My family should get the money they need to help bring me up.



Parent Consultations:

This term we are holding Parent Consultations on **the week beginning Monday 22nd March**. This year, due to the restrictions we have in place for visitors to the building, we are unable to welcome you into the school for face to face consultations. All parent consultations will take place online via our parents evening system. An email will follow with more details, including reminding you how to book on to the system.

School Spaces:

We have some spaces for child admissions in our current Reception, Year 1 and 2 classes. If you know of anyone looking for a school place for their child, please let them know we have spaces! We would love to welcome some more children to our school and would be only too happy to give anyone interested more information or a guided tour.

Congratulations!

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Blackmore has had a baby boy – Dougie James. I am sure you will join me in wishing her and her family huge congratulations on the safe arrival of their second son.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to use our ‘tier’ system or contact the office via phone or email.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards
Mrs Kate Arnold
Head of School

Dates:

KEY DATES	
March:	
Thursday 4th	World Book Day
Monday 8th	All children return to school
Week Beginning Monday 22nd	Online Parent evenings
April:	
Thursday 1st	Last Day of Spring Term
Friday 2nd – Friday 16th (inclusive)	Easter Holidays
Monday 19th	First day of Summer Term



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