



# St Michael's C of E Primary School

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February 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of half term, I just wanted to say the children have done a fantastic job with their learning, they are showing a really positive attitude to school and their behaviour has been excellent.

### Christian Value:

This term, the value that we are focusing on is JUSTICE. Justice is doing the right thing – even if it is hard. We celebrate this in our whole school assembly on a Friday and on the Values Blog.

### Our 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 40 of the UNCRC. This says that when a child or young person gets legal help, they should get it without being discriminated against in any way. Their best interests must be considered.

### St Michael's Sports Teams:

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 footballers and netballers who have been involved in matches both home and away. The children have played

exceptionally well, displaying great teamwork and sportsmanship. I would also like to thank Mr Bramley for organising this opportunity for the footballers and Mrs Short and Mrs Davies for arranging the matches for the netball team. I look forward to hearing about the next games.

### Medicines:

In school we can administer prescribed and non-prescription medicine. Please follow the procedure below:

- Once you know your child requires medicine in school time and it has been prescribed please complete the permissions to administer medicines form.
- Once the form is completed the medicine should be handed over to the school office.
- Please do not put any medicines in your children's bags.
- We are a nut free zone

### Safe Parking

Can I please remind you about safe parking outside the school. Whilst I appreciate that during the colder months more people drive to



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school, can I remind you that there should be no parking on the markings or the double yellow lines along Church Street. With more cars parking incorrectly, there is an increased risk to pedestrians, especially those needing to cross the road. None of us would want to see an accident.

### Year 6 Hoodies

The Year 6 children have been given their hoodies to wear for the rest of the school year instead of their school jumper. This is something we like to do for our children each year. They were all very excited to receive them and they do look very smart! **We would like to say a huge thank you to The Friends of St Michael's who purchased them.**

### STOP

As a school, we work together to create a safe and caring environment, where no bullying is tolerated. We believe everyone has the right to be who they are and we will help everyone to get on with each other. In our classes and year groups, we have discussed what bullying is and we use the acronym:

#### STOP

**S – Several T – Times O – On P – Purpose**

### Mental Health

Children's mental health week is running from 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> February and this year the theme is Let's Connect. Human beings are hard wired to connect with each other and this connection is vital for our survival and wellbeing. People with positive connections to friends, family and others often have better mental health than those who are less well connected. When our need for rewarding connections are not met, or we feel we

are not understood by others, we can feel lonely and isolated. This is why it is important for our mental health, that we connect with others in healthy and meaningful ways.

Our mental health champions will be promoting the importance of this throughout the week and we will be holding a let's connect assembly and doing fun activities in class to focus on connection. In addition, we will be creating a beautiful display outside of children's hands to show that we are all linked together through our school community – look out for this in February!

If you would like to talk to your child about children's mental health week and making connections, please follow this link for some lovely ideas.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families>

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to use our 'tier' system. If you are unable to pop into school, please ring or email via the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,  
Mrs Kate Arnold  
Head of School

#### Dates for your diary:

Half term:	13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> February
March 2nd	World Book Day (details to follow)



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