



April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term at St. Michael's in Year Six.

Please find attached an overview of the main topics and subjects we will be covering in Year Six this term, as well as a copy of your child's timetable.

Mrs Bodenham, Mr Boon, Mrs Adcock and Mrs Bennett will continue supporting Year Six classes this term. Please do contact us if there are any questions or issues that you feel need addressing.

As you are aware, this term will be the children's final term at St. Michael's and they will be preparing for the transition by visiting their new schools and taking part in experiences that celebrate the children's journey through primary school.

**Year 6 testing will begin on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May and continue until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May (inclusive); we ask that you do not take any holiday or book appointments during this week.**

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of a few of the expectations that we have in Year Six.

- The school day begins at 9 am promptly. Year 6 classes are open from 8.45am to allow the children to settle before lessons start.
- Please continue to encourage the use of the 'home and school diary'. The children *must* record their daily reading in the home school diary. We will be monitoring this at school; your support will be very much appreciated. Please could you sign at the end of each week to show you have seen this diary.
- Full school uniform is to be worn every day. Please ensure suitable length skirts for girls, ideally to the knee. Children can change into PE shoes/trainers **for playtimes only**. As Health and Safety is so prominent these days, we ask that all jewellery is kept at home with the exception of stud earrings which must be removed or covered with tape during PE lessons. All children with long hair *must tie it back* and children's hair should be a natural colour. Please note that the wearing of nail varnish is not permitted in school. With changeable weather, your child may bring a raincoat to school, or – on hot days – apply sun block before they come to school and wear a sun hat.
- PE lessons are on Thursday and Friday and children can continue to wear their plain white T-shirt and plimsolls/trainers.
- Homework will be given out every Thursday and collected in on a Tuesday. The homework that is set each week is for KS2 revision and does not necessarily follow what has been taught in class that week. Therefore, please let us know if there are any problems, preferably before the day the homework is due in. If your child is experiencing any difficulty with their homework, there is always support offered at school – please let us know.
- Children are not allowed mobile phones in school. However, if they need a phone because they are walking home alone, a permission letter (or verbal permission from an adult) is needed. A member of staff will then ensure that the phone is stored safely during the school day.
- If your child is scootering or cycling to school, please ensure they are wearing a helmet. Only children with Bikeability can cycle to school without adult supervision.
- We can only administer prescribed medication to your child. The medicine must have an accompanying white medicine slip from the office.

Internet/Computer safety is important to all of us. If you wish to find out more about this, these websites may be useful: <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> or <http://ceop.police.uk/>

If you have any questions do not hesitate to speak to us.

Many thanks for your support.

Miss Hannah Bray, Mrs Heather Short and Mr Alan Quinsey