



St Michael's C of E Primary School

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May 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have enjoyed the Bank Holiday weekend. It has been so nice to see that the sun has made an appearance – let's hope it is here to stay.

Christian Value:

In the summer term, the value that we are focusing on is COURAGE. Courage involves making good choices in the face of fear or obstacles. It's another term for bravery. 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 half term we are focusing on Article 32. Article 32 of the UNCRC says that children and young people shouldn't be able to work until they reach a certain age. In Scotland, they're not allowed to do almost any kind of work until they are 13. Rules about the work they can do remain in place until they are 18.

Attendance:

Attendance is monitored weekly, as part of our legal duties as a school. We will notify you by letter if we have a concern about your child's

please talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance. We will be happy to work with you and your child to help improve their attendance at school if needed. If your child is unwell, you must contact the school via the Absence Option. We are also required to ask for as much information as possible about the nature of the illness in line with our health and safety procedures.

Scooters and Bikes:

It is great to see so many children remembering to wear helmets when they are riding scooters or bikes to and from school. Please can we remind parents how vitally important it is that children wear their helmets. We have reminded children that they must not use their bikes and scooters on the school premises. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

The King's Coronation:

You should have received a letter with more details of this day. During the morning, children will be taking part in the round-robin activities arranged at each local school and we will then have a whole school celebration after lunch. We look forward to sharing pictures of our celebrations with you.

Additional School Spaces:

We still have some spaces remaining for child admissions in our current Reception, Years 1 and 2 classes, so please help to spread the word! We would love to welcome some more children to our



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school and would be only too happy to give anyone interested more information or a guided tour.

End of the day:

Please can I ask that when collecting your child/ren from school younger siblings do not play with or on the play equipment.

Mental Health:

From 15th – 21st May, it is Mental Health Awareness Week. For this week, the Mental Health Foundation (www.mentalhealth.org.uk) is focusing on the theme of anxiety.

Anxiety is a feeling of unease, such as worry or fear, that us humans all experience at times in our lives. Indeed, anxiety can be useful to help spur us on, keeping us alert, making us aware of risks and motivating us to act.

However, if anxiety becomes a frequent or permanent feature of our lives, it can cause much distress.

Our mental health champions will be learning about anxiety and some top tips to combat unpleasant feelings, which they will share in assembly that week.

If you would like more information about anxiety in children and young people, please check out the link below for Young Minds which includes a section on how to help your child in the moment if they are feeling overly anxious or about to have/are having a panic attack.

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/anxiety/>

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:	
May	
6 th May	Kings Coronation
8 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
9 th - 12 th May	KS2 SATS
23 rd May (pm)	Froglets Sports Day
24 th May (am)	KS1 Sports Day
24 th May (pm)	Reception Sports Day
25 th May (am)	KS2 Sports Day
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half term



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