



## St Michael & St John's RC Primary School

NEWSLETTER - 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015

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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Welcome to our new Reception class children**

On Monday we welcomed our new Reception class children to school. They had an eventful first day watching the Tour of Britain and have settled in so well. They are amazing!

### **Reviewing our School Mission Statement and Aims**

We are currently reviewing our mission statement and, therefore, are consulting with all Staff, Pupils and Governors. We want our school mission statement to be child friendly and to the point, encompassing and reflecting what the school stands for. We are inviting parents and carers to contribute by sharing some of your thoughts (these can be words or phrases) on the attached form.

### **Tour of Britain**

What a wonderful day! It was a privilege to have such an amazing sporting event in our local community. The children and staff have thoroughly enjoyed being part of something very special and learning all about the different aspects and history of the Tour of Britain.

On Monday, we decorated our field using the amazing banners kindly created by Mr Shatford of KRS Upholstery and the whole school had fun as we went out to watch and cheer on the riders.

### **Admissions for Reception class - September 2016**

Do you have a child due to start Primary school in September 2016? If so, you can now apply for a place, at our school, by logging on to [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools).

The closing date for applications is Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Even if you have put your name down at the school, you need to complete the online application which can be done anytime from the 1<sup>st</sup> September. Please ensure you hit the

'submit' button and remember you need to apply even if you already have siblings within school. You will receive an email confirming you have applied.

If you would like to 'view the school in action', please telephone the school office and we will be happy to arrange this or answer any questions you might have.

We will be having an "Open Morning" for prospective parents of children starting school in September 2016 on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Admissions for Secondary school - September 2016**

Do you have a child due to start secondary school in September 2016? If so, you can now apply for a place by logging on to [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools).

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2015. (Please note this is during half term).

### **Wear "Yelli for Heli" - Air ambulance fundraising week (21st-27th September)**

As you may be aware, our school field is a designated landing zone for the North West Air Ambulance (NWAA) and one of our parents also works for the NWAA. As part of this we have decided to have a fundraising week, in line with the national fundraiser week, for the Air Ambulance charity.

Mrs Jackson has organised a fun-packed week for the children (and staff) with activities including raffles, orienteering, colouring competitions, a non-uniform day and a very special visitor. We are giving you advance notice of some of these activities as we need your help; these are a 'donate day', raffle prizes and also the Friday non-uniform day. For 'donate day' we ask you to send an item (in good condition) to be sold in one of the Air Ambulance charity shops. The items could be clothing, bric-a-brac or even furniture. This day will take place on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September with the items being collected on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

We are also asking for donations of raffle prizes - the raffle will take place on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> along with the non-uniform day where children are encouraged to wear 'yelli for heli' (yellow or even red as these are the colours of the Air Ambulances). Mrs Coar is organising a "special" themed lunch, also on Friday, to help celebrate the week.

The charity is also asking for volunteers to help out at their fund raising event on Clitheroe Market on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> September. For more information please see the attached leaflet.

A cake sale will be taking place at morning break, in school, on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> .... any donations would be gratefully received! There will be an opportunity for the children to buy cakes, therefore, your child will need to bring in some money for this.

### Red & Yellow Themed Lunch - Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September

Mrs Coar is organising a "red" lunch for this day. If your child usually has a packed lunch on a Friday and would like a school dinner instead please let Mrs Moon know. The cost will be £2.20 and Mrs Coar and the team will be serving a selection of "red" and "yellow" based foods!!

### Dinner Money

It is a real help to the Office staff if you can pay dinner money at the start of every week (£2.20 day/£11 per week) or, at the beginning of the term, if you pay half termly.

From the beginning of this term up to October half term for 5 days lunches = £77.00, 3 days = £46.20, 2 days = £30.80 or 1 day per week = £15.40.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

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**Headteacher**



## SSMJ - Reviewing our School Mission Statement

Our current mission statement is - "I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." (John Ch10 vs10)

What do you think are our key strengths?

What do you think we should develop further?

What do you think are the most important values at SSMJ?

Any other comments

Name : \_\_\_\_\_  
(optional)