



St Michael & St John's RC Primary School

NEWSLETTER - 29th April 2016

*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn,
love and respect one another to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

The 'Big Question' this week

This week we continue to think about the 'big question', from last week, which is:-

“Why is prayer important?”

Please discuss this with your child.

Reception Visit to the Farm

Our Reception class went on their first school trip last Thursday to visit Thornton Hall Farm. They all had a wonderful time 'on safari', feeding the lambs and seeing the animals up close. Well done children for being so brave and knowledgeable about the animals.

Life Education Van

This week all classes (and parents) had the opportunity to visit the Life Education Van to supplement the curriculum and their learning about keeping safe and healthy.

The children had a wonderful time and the feedback from staff delivering the sessions was that the children were, as always, a credit to themselves and to school. Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Parent Information session, we hope you found it useful.

Miss Holt

We would like to thank Miss Holt who has undertaken voluntary work in school, based with Year 5, for many months.

Year 2 & Year 6 Tests

Over the coming weeks, Year 2 will be assessed by their teachers and will undertake some tests to provide further evidence for teacher assessments. Please be assured these are carried out sensitively and are part of 'normal school life' to give the children the best opportunity to succeed and do their best.



Week commencing 9th May is the National SATs week for Year 6 children. Tests take place on specific days and cannot be moved. It is, therefore, very important that your child is in school on time and refreshed having had a good night's sleep and breakfast.

Our Year 6 children have also been working incredibly hard this year and this is an opportunity for them to show what they can do. If you can, please take some time to discuss assessments with your child, so they do not become apprehensive or worried. We are continually reiterating with them not to be nervous, all that can be asked of them is that they try their best.

Home School Reading Records

Can we ask parents to sign their child's reading record, every time they have read with you or an adult, so that books can be changed as needed.

School Uniform

A copy of the school uniform policy is on the school website: www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk. All children should wear full and correct school uniform everyday including for PE lessons. Please also refer to the section regarding suitable haircuts.

George in Year 3

George, in Year 3, is a player with the under 9 squad at Manchester City's academy and he has been selected to represent Manchester City Football Club, in the KIDS Cup, at Dusseldorf in May. Well done George, this is a wonderful achievement and good luck to the team.

Special Lunch

Today, the children enjoyed a "colourful" lunch prepared by Mrs Coar in conjunction with our rainbow day. The muffins were fabulous, each pupil receiving one in their class rainbow colour. Thank you, once again, Mrs Coar and her team.

Clitheroe Cobras Cricket Club

Clitheroe Cobras are recruiting primary school children to join their junior training sessions on Thursday nights, from 6.00pm, at Clitheroe Cricket Ground on Chatburn Road. Please visit tinyurl.com/clitheroecobras or call 07500-838207 for further details.

Next Week at School

Monday, 2nd May
Wednesday, 4th May
Thursday, 5th May
Friday, 6th May

Bank Holiday - school closed
Swimming - Year 4
Thursday Gymnastics Club starts
Mad Science - 3.30pm

Celebration Assembly

Friday, 6th May

Celebration Assembly - Year 1

Dates for the remainder of this half term

Week commencing 9 th May	SATs week - Year 6
Wednesday, 11 th May	Swimming - Year 4
Wednesday, 11 th May	Bikes & Scooters - Reception class
Friday, 13 th May	Mad Science - 3.30pm
Friday 13 th May	Lunch at The Villa - Year 6
Friday 13 th May	The Grand - Gap Team Lunchtime Club
Tuesday, 17 th May	Coffee Morning - Reception class
Wednesday, 18 th May	Swimming - Year 4
Thursday, 19 th May	Fire Safety Talks - Year 2 & Year 6
Thursday, 19 th May	Girls Football Team at CRGS - 4.00pm-6.00pm
Thursday, 19 th May	Intake Evening for "new" Reception Class - 7.00pm
Friday, 20 th May	Year 1 trip to Brockholes
Friday, 20 th May	The Grand - Gap Team Lunchtime Club
Friday, 20 th May	Friends/PTA Meeting - all welcome - 1.45pm
Friday, 20 th May	Mad Science - 3.30pm
Week commencing 23 rd May	Sports Clubs finish
Week commencing 23 rd May	Bikeability week - Year 6
Monday, 23 rd May	Intergen Dance - Year 6
Wednesday, 25 th May	Swimming - Year 4
Thursday, 26 th May	School closes for half term - 3.30pm

Please note school is *closed* to children on Friday, 27th May (Staff Inset Day)

Monday, 6th June School re-opens to pupils

Celebration Assemblies

Friday, 13 th May	No Celebration Assembly
Friday, 20 th May	Celebration Assembly - Year 6

Kind regards.

Mrs Z Mabbott
Headteacher