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

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been another fantastic week at school. We started the week with an assembly about different faiths. The children shared their learning from class during Faith week. The children have also been putting in to action, tips they have learned about energy saving after the assembly last Friday.

### **Holiday list 17-18**

Please find attached the holiday list for this year.

### **Year 3 & 4 Athletics Competition**

Well done to the children from year 3 & 4 who attended the athletics competition at Oakhill on Tuesday. They did really well, and their behaviour was excellent. We are really proud of them. Thank you to Miss Smith, & Mrs Layzell for taking them.



### **Computer Games/ films**

Please can we ask parents to monitor what games children are playing on computers. Many action games for Xbox such as Halo, Call of Duty, Modern Warfare, Battlefields are not suitable for children of Primary school age. Children will talk about what they have seen or played and can sometimes re-enact what they have seen. This is inappropriate behaviour for a child. Please assist us and your children in checking the age recommendations and content of these games as they will often state violence/ bad language etc. For some children, viewing this level of violence on a computer game can often have an effect on a child's emotional wellbeing and can impact on a child's behaviour. If you require further information please refer to the websites below.



<https://www.common sense media.org/#>

<https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/kids-and-technology/parents-guide-to-video-games/parents-guide-to-video-games>

### **Emergency Contacts**

Please can you ensure that all contact numbers are up to date for your child. Should we need to contact parents in case of an emergency or children not being well, we need to be able to get in touch. Let us know if you change your work details, home address or if a contact needs to come off the list. By law, we need 3 contacts for your child. Mrs Wilkinson will be sending out data sheets for those who do not have 3 contacts.

### **Dinner Money**

Please can I remind parents again that dinner money payments must be kept up to date. School can not subsidise these payments and this ultimately comes out of the budget for the whole of the school. If you are sent a letter or text asking you to pay, please help Mrs Wilkinson by ensuring that payment is made.



### **Valentines Disco**

Tickets are available from the office. £5 per family ticket. Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 6-8pm in the Parish Centre. There will be a non-uniform day on the Friday in exchange for sweets/chocolates for the chocolate tombola.

### **Parking**

We have received phone calls regarding the parking on Bayley Fold. Please be considerate of the home owners and access required by the carers to these properties. I appreciate parking is difficult at arrival and pick times. Thankyou

### **EVERY DAY COUNTS !**

At St Michael & St John's we know that good attendance is the key to successful schooling and we believe our pupils can be amongst the best.

Each year we are set a target for attendance & this is used to compare us to other schools nationally. Our current target is 96% attendance.

Attending school every day will help give your child the best possible start in life.

Going to school every day means:

- learning new skills
- making friends
- having lots of fun
- building lasting relationships
- taking part in exciting activities

You can help us to help your child by encouraging regular school attendance. Regular attendance helps children to develop their confidence and to make and keep lasting friendships.

Your child's education is very important; attendance habits established in the foundation years of education can affect their entire school life.

Attendance figures for the Autumn term 2017 ( September - December)

Reception- 97%

Year 1 - 96%

Year 2- 98%

Year 3- 98%

Year 4- 98%

Year 5- 98%

Year 6 - 96%

Don't forget that a few minutes late to class  
each day adds up--



### Dairy Dates

#### **Year 3 assembly**

Please note that is 23rd March

Friday 26th - Year 2 Celebration Assembly

Year 6 - Road Safety Talk

Monday 29th- Netball match at Oakhill 4.00- 4.30pm

Tuesday 30th- EYFS Coffee Morning

Wednesday 31st - Year 5 swimming

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb- Yr 6 health questionnaires

Friday 2nd Feb - Year 6 Celebration Assembly

Monday 5th Feb - Gymnastics competition at St Augustine's. Tuesday 6th - Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th - Rock & Roll Day

Reception & Year 6 height & weights

EYFS - Bikes & Scooters

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 cake sale

Friday 8th - Year 5 Assembly

Non uniform day

School Closes for half term at 3.30pm

PTA Valentine's Disco Parish Centre

Monday 19th February - School reopens at 8.55am

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Z Mabbott