



ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL
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5th January 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy new year and hoping that you have kept safe and well during the festive period and we are looking forward to seeing you from Monday 10th January 2022.

As you are aware Government guidance is being updated and we will continue to maintain our safety measures that are currently in place. Please be mindful and respectful of one another on arrival and collection and it would be advisable to wear a mask at this time.

Please be aware that in light of the Covid-19 variants and their transmission, it may be that we will have to close at very short notice, especially if we are in a position of having a shortage of staff . The safety of the children and staff is paramount and we are legally obliged to maintain adult:child ratios, therefore at any point that this is compromised, we will not be able to operate. Please ensure that your contact details are up to date and that you can be contacted at any time. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

The current advice is that children should not attend preschool if they are unwell with heavy coughs and colds. If your child has had a temperature, they will need to remain at home for an additional 24hours after the temperature is reading 'normal'. We have also been advised that if a child is sick for any reason, the child must remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode. We have a cleaning procedure in place to ensure that not only the area, the surrounding surfaces are cleaned as the particles travel.

REMINDER -Please note that if your child is at all unwell do not bring your child to preschool. Calpol must not be administered unnecessarily. If your child discloses that medication has been administered prior to arrival we will contact you and we will reserve the right to send your child home. Safeguarding and the wellbeing of your child is paramount.

Medication - Please ensure that we have up to date information. If your child has any prescribed medication we will need to keep a duplicate on site at all times.

Please remember to update your extended entitlement code with HMRC, if applicable, and any new applications need to be completed by 31st March 2022 in order to be claimed for the Summer term commencing 1st April 2022. All grant funding forms will need to be signed on our return, thank you.

Absences - Please could you kindly inform us if your child is absent from preschool, thank you.

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We will be using the outdoor area regularly and we will ensure good ventilation throughout the coming months in order to minimise the risk of transmission of Covid-19. We will be accessing the outdoor area whenever possible, so please ensure that your child brings a warm coat. Please provide mittens rather than gloves and layers of clothing for your child. In addition could you please bring your child with velcro or slip on shoes rather than lace up shoes. This will support your child with becoming more independent for school, thank you.

Books – please continue to share and read stories with your child/ren as books are a wonderful resource to develop language skills. We are also incorporating at story time, introducing the children to the role of an author, illustrator, aspects of a book such as the front and back cover and the title that tells us what the story is about.

Phonics/letter sounds – we will be continuing to introduce children to phonics this term, encouraging children to hear initial sounds and learning songs to support this.

Please let us know if there are any updates to contact information, contact numbers and medication.

Out of hours contact for emergencies and COVID-19 related:

If you need to contact us out of working hours and at the weekend, please either email sonja.kotevska@st-michaels-preschool.uk or the contact number is 07496892540.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

The staff and Trustees of St.Michael's Preschool.

Dates for your diary:

March 3rd - World Book Day. Dress as any book character on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th March 2022.

March/April 2022 – Photographs – more details to follow

Saturday 4th June 2022, 1pm-4pm - Fete The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

We will be joining in with the fete on the village hall playing field, holding stalls to fundraise for our preschool. We will be asking for parents/guardians to assist with stalls on the day! More information to follow.

Friday 1st July 2022 – Sports day (more information to follow)

Friday 22nd July 2022 – Leavers' service (more information to follow)

We are also hoping to be able to organize a trip for those moving to Reception during July to the Holburne Museum and more information will follow.

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Themes to extend children's learning and knowledge:

W/C	Theme	Letter sound
08.11.21	Remembrance	a
15.11.21	Post Office	b
22.11.21	Post Office/ Letters to Santa	c
29.11.21	Christmas	d
06.11.21	Christmas	e
Term ends Tuesday 13 th December 2021, returning Monday 10 th January 2022		
10.01.22	Winter	
17.01.22	Winter	f
24.01.22	Emergency services	g
31.01.22	Emergency services	h
07.02.22	Emotions – The colour monster	i
14.02.22	Emotions	j
Half term week Monday 21 st February 2022 – Friday 25 th February 2022		
28.02.22	World Book	k
07.03.22	World Book	l
14.03.22	Spring/growing	m
21.03.22	Spring/growing	n
28.03.22	Easter	o
04.04.22	Easter	p
Term ends Friday 8 th April 2022, returning on Monday 25 th April 2022		
24.04.22	Minibeasts	q
03.05.22	Minibeasts	r
09.05.22	Art	s
16.05.22	Art	t
23.05.22	Pirates	u
Half term week Monday 30 th May 2022 – Friday 3 rd June 2022		
06.06.22	Pirates	v
13.06.22	Jungle	w
20.06.22	Jungle	x
27.06.22	Under the sea	y
04.07.22	Under the sea	z
11.07.22	Going to school	
18.07.22	Going to school	

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