



# St Michael's RC Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents,

All classes will have received their welcome letter for their new class, outlining key curriculum reminders, reading and homework details. Next week we will also be sending the curriculum outline for each class for the Autumn term.

Our KS2 classes have been preparing and asking questions to Father Steven and Theo, a seminarian, who is studying for the priesthood in Rome and is staying with our parish for the month of September. The children have enjoyed this opportunity and we look forward to celebrating our first Mass together with them, the parish and the school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am.

### Sacramental Programme

A reminder for all parents/carers of our Year 3 children that the first Sacramental Programme meeting will be held at 12.30pm at St Michael's on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Please see a letter from Miss Gray outlining the Sacramental Programme dates for the year ahead.

### Year 2

The children in Year 2 this week enjoyed a very special Teddy bears picnic, with sandwiches, singing, stories and lots of different cuddly friends. The children during next week will be planning, drafting, editing and publishing their own Recount of the Teddy bears picnic. We look forward to reading all that they did!



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#### Diary dates

**After-school : 11/09-18/10**

**Tu** Y5/6 Football

**Th** Y3/4 Multi skills

**Tu 25/9** Parish coffee morning – parish hall

**Fr 28/9** St. Michael's celebrates 50 Years! Join us for our coffee and cake morning after our celebration mass – all donations in aid of Macmillan Coffee Morning

**Fr 28/9** PGL deposit deadline

**We 17/10** Parents Evening

#### Pupil Contacts

It is essential we have your up to date contact details. If you have changed your mobile, work or home number during the holiday please let us know.

Thank you.

#### **Pupil of the week!**

Nursery	Poppy D
Reception	Bella-Mae L
Year 1	Julian C
Year 2	Judith M
Year 3	Kaelo M
Year 4	Erin T
Year 5	Phillip L
Year 6	Seren L

## **Reading**

This term, and throughout this school year, we are engaging all our young people in some of their favourite books and authors. The children will listen and respond to their class novel each day. Reading is a vital life skill that we want to develop and grow. Creating a love for reading is our aim and in the words of Dr Suess,

*'The more that you read, the more things you will know, The more that you learn, the more places you will go'*

We ask that each child **reads daily** at home. Each child's Reading Record must be signed by parents/carers and we will encourage our KS2 children to record any other books they read from the class/school library or from home. Reading books will be changed once children have had quality time reading their book, they may explore further questions relating to the book, record personal responses and must ensure they have re-read all of the book.

## **Packed Lunches**

We remind that packed lunches should have a healthy balance of foods and as a 'nut' free school we have to remain vigilant to ensure the health and safety of our children.

## **Parent Hub**

St Michael's School Newsletter is available on the school website and also on Parent Hub. It is really crucial that all Parents download the Parent Hub app to receive daily and weekly updates and direct messages to parents as we no longer use the texting service. We are aiming to go paperless by the end of September and from the end of September School Newsletters will be available on request from the School Office.

## **After-school Clubs**

Football and Multi-skills clubs have taken place this week. Over the year we plan to have a number of other activities to ensure we are providing a range of clubs for the children.

## **Reception Parents Phonics/Reading Information session**

Reception parents/carers have been invited to these sessions held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September in the Reception classroom. We encourage you to attend one of the sessions so that you are aware of the teaching and learning process in school and how you can help your child at home. The times are 9-9.30am, 2.45-3.15pm and 5-5.30pm.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Bowes