



ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Wednesday Word

Wednesday 26th August 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been absolutely lovely to welcome all our families back after the summer holiday. I hope it's been a wonderful break for everyone — full of rest, sunshine, and happy memories. It's always exciting to be back in school, and the atmosphere this week has been very positive and full of energy as we begin the new term.

We ended last term on a brilliant note, raising an incredible £750 for our link school in Uganda. Over the summer, we've sent £650 across to them, with the remainder to follow shortly as we finish gathering it in. Thank you to everyone who contributed — your generosity makes a real difference.

The highlights of this week have been many! Our little ones in Class 1 have shown such confidence getting to know new friends — I popped in to see them enjoying reading books and exploring magnets, and it was wonderful to see their curiosity. We've also had some beautiful singing of This Little Light of Mine in assembly, which really lifted everyone's spirits. In Class 4, the children are already becoming passionate about the characters in our new class book — it's lovely to see their enthusiasm.

Teachers have been sending out their individual welcome letters for each class, so hopefully you now know the basics such as PE days and some of the key topics your child will be studying this term and if you don't, it will be coming very soon! We're also very much looking forward to seeing parents at our 'Meet the Teacher' event tomorrow — Thursday 27th August, after school at 3.15pm. Please just go to your child's class door — it's a great chance to say hello and hear more about the year ahead.

Wishing everyone a happy and successful start to the term!

Warm regards,

Mrs McMillan
Senior Teacher

Coming Up in school:

- **Jeans for Genes Day**
- **Friday 18th**
September
- **Harvest Festival -**
Friday 25th
september



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Welcome Staff Members:

We would like to give a warm welcome to our newest members of staff here at St Michaels.

Miss M Maher - is joining us on a Thursday and Friday as our Class 3 teacher working alongside Mrs Hall

Miss K Potter - is joining us a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) Monday to Friday working alongside Miss Smith in our Key Stage 1 area

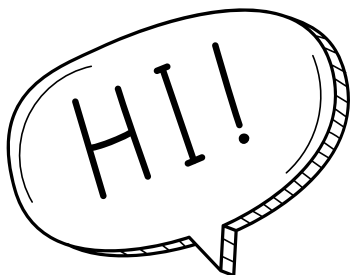


Come and meet us:

Parents and Carers are welcome to come and meet their Teacher afterschool on

Thursday 27th August at 3:15pm

We look forward to meeting you all tomorrow



PTFA:



Welcome New Families:

Welcome also not just to our new starters in Reception but to their families too. We look forward to getting to know you all as we go forward into our new school year.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or if there is anything you are unsure of.



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Lateness in School

Punctuality is essential for maintaining consistent attendance and supporting effective learning.

Impact of Lateness

Late arrivals disrupt both the child's learning and the classroom environment. Missing initial activities can lead to gaps in understanding and progress. Example: Being 10 minutes late every day equates to nearly 7 full days of lost learning annually.

Attendance Monitoring and Penalties

From 19 August 2024, penalty notice fines may be issued for 10 sessions of unauthorised absence within a 10-week period, which constitutes irregular attendance. Lateness will be closely monitored to prevent this.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days' worth of teaching lost in a year
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

Contact us:

- Class 1 – rsmith@stmichaels.risemat.co.uk
- Class 2 – rsmith@stmichaels.risemat.co.uk
- Class 3 – jhall@stmichaels.risemat.co.uk
- Class 4 – cmcmillan@stmichaels.risemat.co.uk



Please feel free to contact your child's class teacher using the email addresses above if you have any questions, concerns, or would just like to share information. We are always happy to hear from you and work together to support your child.

No Nuts Please

Polite reminder that as we have children in school that have nut allergies we are a nut free school. Please do not send any products containing nuts in your child's lunch box.

Thank you



Illness in School

To help keep everyone well, we ask that children stay at home for 48 hours after any sickness or diarrhoea.

We know it can be tricky when children are keen to get back to school but this short time really helps protect others from catching the same bug.



Lost Property:

We have a lot of lost property in school. If your child has lost an item that is not named it is placed in our lost property boxes based in class 3 and Class 4. Please ask your child to check these or alternatively parents are welcome to check the boxes themselves at the end of the school day.

