

St. Michael's C of E Infant School

Newsletter

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St. MICHAEL'S
CE (CONTROLLED) INFANT SCHOOL

'Learning Together with Love at the Centre'

Back to Basics- empowering parents and carers to support their child's emotional wellbeing within the home

Hampshire have recently launched a community campaign to support families to manage their wellbeing in the home. There is an online platform to support families

[Back to Basics | Children and Families | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/back-to-basics)

Back to Basics is about the five ways of wellbeing:

1. Take notice- this means taking notice of your feelings and emotions
2. Giving- give time to yourself and your family and friends or give time to support someone in the community
3. Be physically active
4. Keep learning and try something new
5. Connect with others

The website contains videos to support you with each of the 5 ways to wellbeing.

We have attached a leaflet with this newsletter that contains more information and will add information to our school website under the Mental Health and Wellbeing section.

Dot Patton



Curious not Furious- ways to manage your child's behaviour at home

We would like to invite you to two workshops for parents run on 'Curious not Furious- Ways to Support and Manage your Child's Behaviour at Home.' There will be delicious cakes and pastries at the workshop and time to chat, followed by short, informative training sessions. The workshops will take place after school drop off in the morning at 9:00am on 17th and 24th January. We will send out more information nearer the time, but wanted to make you aware so that you can put the dates in your diaries.

Collective Worship

In Collective Worship we have been learning about remembrance – thinking about the things that we can remember in our own lives and then thinking about why we remember others.

Wearing PE kit on PE days

As you know, from January, the children have been asked to come into school wearing their PE kit on PE days only. **The children will be able to wear their school jumper/cardigan and polo shirt or yellow PE t-shirt underneath. They will be able to wear track suit bottoms (in navy or black) and trainers on these days.** If you prefer that your child wears school shoes to school and then changes into trainers for PE, please make sure they either trainers in school or that trainers are sent in.

We have implemented this change so that we do not lose important learning time. Thank you for your support with this.

Every Autumn term, the new Year R children will come to school in their uniforms so that they can learn how to get changed independently.

As part of this change we will be moving Message Monday to Message Friday from this week.

Prayer Group

You are warmly invited to join the St Michael's Infant and Junior School Christian Prayer group, set up by a group of current parents from a variety of church backgrounds, who believe prayer has a positive impact on school life. The group welcomes anyone who is interested in praying to God about the needs of our school. We meet on Monday 27th November at 8pm on Zoom. Please contact the school office if you'd like to come along.

Diary Dates Autumn 2023

Wednesday 15th November – the online shop for Christmas cards orders closes

Monday 20th – INSET DAY

Thursday 23rd – Flu Immunisations

Saturday 25th – St. Michael's Church Christmas Fair

Monday 27th – Individual Pupil Photos

Monday 27th – Friday 1st December – Christmas Fayre Donation Week

Friday 1st December – MUFTI DAY and Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 6th December Y1 Nativity – Rabbits parents

Thursday 7th 9:30am Y1 Nativity – Hedgehogs parents

Friday 8th 9:30am Y1 Nativity – Moles parents

Monday 11th 9:30am YR Nativity - Owls and Flamingoes parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Badgers parents

Tuesday 12th 9:30am YR Nativity - Ducks and Toucans parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Foxes parents

Wednesday 13th 2:00 Christmas church service

Thursday 14th 9:30am YR Nativity - Parrots and Penguins parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Squirrels parents

Tuesday 2nd January – INSET DAY

Wednesday 3rd – Start of the Spring Term



Children in Need

We will be taking part and raising funds for Children in Need on Friday (17th November). It will be a non-uniform day and the children can wear anything spotty or bright coloured in return for a donation for Children in Need. Thank you in advance for your support and donations.



Nativity Dates and Information

Our Nativity performances will take place throughout December starting on Wednesday 6th at 9:30am.

Two adults from each family are invited to join us for their child's performance which should last roughly 30 minutes. We ask that younger siblings do not attend please.

The morning performances start promptly at 9:30am and the afternoon ones at 2:00pm. They all take place in the hall with the children sitting across the door side of the hall. This means that it can be very difficult and disruptive to let late comers in so please make sure you are here on time.

At the end of each performance we will be collecting donations for the Friends of St. Michael's.

Class Performances

Owls and Flamingos - Monday 11th at 9:30am

Ducks and Toucans - Tuesday 12th at 9:30am

Parrots and Penguins - Thursday 14th at 9:30am

Rabbits - Wednesday 6th at 9:30am

Hedgehogs - Thursday 7th at 9:30am

Moles - Friday 8th at 9:30am

Badgers – Monday 11th at 2:00pm

Foxes - Tuesday 12th at 2:00pm

Squirrels - Thursday 14th at 2:00pm

Sporting achievements



Well done to Grace in Year 1 for achieving her 25m swimming badge and also her Stage 3!

Congratulations to Noah (Year 2) for his certificate that he recently received at his Ninja club for outstanding listening and progress!

Well done Noah