



# St. Michael's Church of England Primary School



Our school values: *Respect · Kindness · Challenge · Forgiveness · Perseverance*

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## *Dear Parents*

As we hurtle towards the end of the academic year I wanted to bring you up to date with current issues and various events in school over the next few weeks. While restrictions and the increase in COVID cases both locally and nationally mean many of our events will not be able to happen in the usual way, we have tried our very best to ensure we can put things in place which will mark the end of the year for the children and prepare them for the next step in their education.

## *Parking near School*

Before discussing the events mentioned above, can I please remind everyone to park considerately and safely. You must not park on the pavements near school (or indeed any pavement), nor on any double yellow lines. All children should also cross the road outside school with Steve, our lollipop man. We are expecting traffic patrol staff to be visiting soon and they will issue parking fines if you do not park correctly.

## *Move Up Day*

On 5 July all classes will take part in a Move Up Day where they will spend the day with their new teacher in their new classroom. Unfortunately, we have been advised that we are not able to welcome the new Reception children into school on this day and I know secondary schools have also been advised that they are not able to offer the normal transition days to Year 6 pupils. Year 6 pupils will therefore work with Mrs McArdle and Mrs Atkinson on that day and we have made separate arrangements to allow our new Reception children to get to know the school.

## *Teaching Staff*

All class teachers will remain in the same classes for the next academic year. There will be some movement of support staff in school and if this will directly affect your child we will contact you to let you know.

## *Sports Day*

Sports Day this year will involve each class taking part in a sport event within their bubble, with all points added together to find a winning house. Sadly, we will not be able to invite parents to attend these events but will ensure photos of the activities are available to view on the school website.

## *End of Year Celebrations*

As we have been advised to maintain the bubbles that the children are currently in, our annual trip to Walby will not be possible. We are therefore busy planning some special outdoor sessions for each class to enjoy in the last few weeks of term – further details will be issued nearer the time.

## Jewellery

In general, jewellery should not be worn for school, with the exception of small stud earrings and/or a watch (other than Smart watches or any that can connect to the Internet – these are not permitted). Please note: children will not be allowed to participate in PE lessons or sporting events if they are wearing earrings and these can no longer simply be covered with tape. Therefore, if your child does wear stud earrings to school, they must be able to remove and replace them themselves and be personally responsible for their safe keeping. Please keep this in mind if your child plans to have their ears pierced over the Summer; we would advise that this is done at the very start of the holidays so they are able to remove them on their return to school in September. These regulations are mainly due to health and safety guidelines but also to ensure that expensive items do not get lost or broken.

## Warmer Weather

With the lovely weather we have experienced recently it is important your child is appropriately dressed and equipped for whatever the weather throws at us; if it is hot and sunny, a sun hat and water bottle (which must only contain water) are essential. Children may also bring sun cream if needed, however, they must be able to apply this themselves as school staff are not allowed to do this for them.

## Cool Milk

Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised price of around £14 per term (free to under fives). If you would like your child to receive milk from September this year, please visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) for further information and registration.

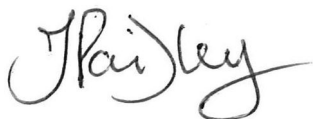
## End of Year Reports

We are currently preparing the children's end of year reports and we will inform you as soon as they are ready to be sent out. Following receipt of your child's report, you may wish to discuss their progress with their class teacher via a telephone appointment – details of appointment arrangements will be issued with the reports.

## End of Term

School will finish for the Summer on 16 July – please note: we will finish for the day at **1.15pm**.

Yours sincerely



Mrs J Paisley  
Headteacher