



# St. Michael's Church of England Primary School

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Our school values: Respect • Kindness • Challenge • Forgiveness • Perseverance

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Dear Parents

Thank you for your continued understanding in what has been a very challenging week. We have continued to see COVID 19 cases rise within school amongst pupils and our staff and I want you to be reassured that we are doing everything that we possibly can to restrict and manage the spread of the virus. I am in daily contact with Public Health England and regular handwashing, sanitising and good ventilation throughout school continues to be a priority.

There are a few pieces of information I would like to share this week:

## Homework

Earlier in the term, I wrote to you to say that within school we would be reviewing our Homework policy and practice. As part of this process, we would like to hear your views as a parent. Please could you complete the online survey (link below). We will also be gathering the views of our children and considering recent educational research into homework and the best proven methodology so that we can provide the best approach for our pupils. We will share the outcomes and agreed school method with you in due course.

The link to complete the survey is <https://forms.gle/SwmBVpV3D7JBtVvu7>

## Harvest

Next week we will celebrate Harvest in school. Rev. Ben Phillips will lead this service in church on Friday at 1.15pm for our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. We would like to extend a warm welcome to parents of Year 5 and 6 to join this service in school. May we ask that you socially distance where possible and wear a face mask. The rest of our pupils will take part in a live stream of this service from their classrooms at school. Harvest donations of non-perishable foods can be brought into school next week and placed in a box on the front and back yard before and after school Mon-Thurs. All donations will be taken to Carlisle Foodbank to help those experiencing difficult times. Thank you in advance of your support.

## After School Club

Next week sees a handover of our Breakfast Club and After School Club to school. If you want to book a place from 1 October, please can you either email [kidsclub@st-michaels.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:kidsclub@st-michaels.cumbria.sch.uk) or telephone school on 01228 711544.

## Flu Letters

Letters regarding the nasal flu vaccination have been sent out to all pupils. Some have been posted to those who have been absent. If you would like your child to be vaccinated, please return the completed form to school by **Friday 1 October at the latest.**

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

Mrs Smith