



St. Michael's Church of England Primary School

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Monday 28th September 2026

Dear Parents,

I write with a few updates about what is happening in school and future dates.

Thank you

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to thank children, parents and families for the very kind messages, cards and gifts that were given to myself and the staff team at the end of the summer term. We were very much overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you.

Parents' Meetings

This half term, we would like to invite you into school to share your pupil's progress in learning and next steps. We want the best for all pupils and realise that good home/school links which support weekly homework tasks and reading helps to make this happen. The dates are Wednesday 14th October and Thursday 22nd October. Timings to book appointments will go online soon. We do hope you will be able to meet your child's class teacher.

Harvest Festival

On Friday 2nd October we will be celebrating harvest in school. All classes will go to St Michael's Church in the morning and take part in a whole school worship. Our children are busy learning poems, songs and hymns. If you would like to bring any food donations – these will be given to The Carlisle Foodbank and will be very much appreciated by those in need. Thank you in advance for your support.

Individual Pupil Photos

On Thursday 1st October, Tempest Photography will be in school from 8.15am. If you would like a family portrait, please can you come into school from 8.15am and these will be taken first. Children attending cross country on Thursday will have to come into school in their uniform and they will be photographed before leaving for the event.

Edinburgh Residential

Our Year 5 pupils are excited and counting down until they go to Edinburgh early next month. An exciting timetable of events and experiences is planned for them.

Epi-Pen Training

All staff will be taking part in the annual epi-pen training next month. Please be aware that we do have children with allergies in school and we advise that snacks and packed lunches are nut free.

United Utilities

The groundwork on site has got off to a smooth start. May I apologise for the inconvenience, and thank you for your patience. When possible, we will continue to open the small front gate, when it can be safely staffed. Our children continue to access the field for the daily mile and OPAL play.



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As always, if you have any queries, or I can assist you with anything further, please do not hesitate to be in touch. Miss Jonsson at the school office will happily make an appointment for you.

Kind Regards

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