



St. Michael's Church of England Primary School

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Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a really busy and exciting start to this half term. I write with some further updates.

Remembrance Day

Thank you to all pupils who have donated to the poppy appeal in school. We will continue selling this merchandise next week. Within school, we will have a collective worship on Monday 11th November at 11 am to remember those we have loved and lost.

Anti-Bullying Week/Odd Sock Day

Next week we launch anti-bullying week within school. Several school and class assemblies will focus on our school value of respect. Pupils will be given opportunities to think about what it means to respect differences and embrace diversity. On Tuesday 12th November we are asking all pupils to come into school wearing odd socks as a symbol that differences can be positive and celebrated.

Family Photographs

On Wednesday 13th, Tempest photography will be in school to take individual pupil photographs. Family group photos for those pupils with younger and/or older siblings not at the school will be taken from 8.30am in the school hall.

Flu Vaccination

A team of nurses will be in school on Monday 11th November. They will administer the flu vaccination to all pupils who have completed the parental consent form.

Outdoor Play And Learning

This week we opened up exciting play areas in our school field to ensure that our lunch time play times give our pupils fun and engaging experiences. Our pupils have thoroughly enjoyed playing in the outdoor kitchen, small world bark area, on the large tractor tyres and in the dressing up/role play/dance area. As we will be accessing the field most days your child will need either wellies or old shoes in school, preferably the former.

Many thanks to our HSA who are financially supporting the cost of the groundworks to create these play spaces. More is planned in the future ... watch this space!

Children In Need

Our pupils have shared that they would like to do some fund raising for Children In Need on Friday 15th November. We are asking that pupils wear something yellow and/or Pudsey related and do not need to wear their uniform. Miss Rowe is currently organising a Pudsey beetle drive for our pupils to enjoy in their house teams on the day. Any donations for this cause will be collected during the morning register.



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As always, if you have any questions and the St Michael's team or myself can assist you in any way, please contact the school office. Miss Jonsson will arrange a convenient time for you to meet with either your child's class teacher or myself.

Kind regards

Lorna Smith

Mrs L Smith