

# St Michael and All Angels CE VA School Newsletter

## Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July



Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – **Colour Run**  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – **School closes 13:30**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – **School Re Opens 08:40**  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – **Year 6 Robinwood Residential**  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – **School closes 15:20**  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – **School Re Opens 08:40**  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November - **Individual Photos**  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – **School Closes 13:30**  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – **School Re Opens 08:40**



We have been awarded the EYFS Step Indoor Award to compliment our EYFS Outdoor Award achieved earlier this year.

Thank you for your continued support, and we wish you all a wonderful summer break.

These recent weeks have been particularly busy, filled with school trips, sports day and our Key Stage 2 production.

Our EYFS pupils recently embarked on an educational adventure to the Sea Life Centre. This excursion provided our youngest learners with a fascinating glimpse into the underwater world, enhancing their understanding of marine life and ecosystems. The experience undoubtedly sparked curiosity and wonder, aligning perfectly with our commitment to providing engaging, hands-on learning opportunities.

Year 2 pupils had the pleasure of visiting Brockholes, a nature reserve teeming with diverse wildlife and habitats. This trip offered our pupils a chance to explore and appreciate the natural world around them, reinforcing the importance of environmental awareness and conservation. Such experiences are invaluable in nurturing a sense of responsibility towards our planet and its inhabitants.

Our Key Stage 2 pupils showcased their remarkable talents in a captivating performance of "The Wizard of Oz". The dedication and creativity demonstrated by our young performers were truly inspiring. This production not only entertained but also fostered important skills such as teamwork, public speaking, and self-confidence.

The annual Sports Day was a resounding success, filled with enthusiasm and friendly competition. It was wonderful to see our pupils display their athletic abilities and sportsmanship. Events like these not only promote physical fitness but also instill important values such as perseverance and fair play.

As we bid farewell to our Year 6 pupils, the Leavers' Assembly held in the church was a poignant occasion. It provided an opportunity to reflect on their journey through primary education and celebrate their achievements. We are immensely proud of our Year 6 pupils and wish them every success as they embark on the next chapter of their educational journey.

With the summer holidays fast approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our pupils, families, and staff a restful and enjoyable break. This period of relaxation is well-deserved after a year of hard work and dedication.

As we look forward to the new academic year, we remain committed to providing an enriching and supportive learning environment for all our pupils. We are grateful for your continued support and partnership in nurturing the growth and development of our young learners.

### **Staffing Update**

#### **Saying Goodbye**

First, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the following staff members who will be leaving St. Michael and All Angels:

After her dedicated service to our school, Charlotte Hindle has accepted a full-time position at Christ Church. We thank her for her unwavering commitment and wish her all the best in her new endeavour.  
Holly Driver will be embarking on a new career path, commencing work in a call centre. We appreciate her contributions to our school community and wish her success in her future endeavours.  
Michelle Greenwood has been an asset to our school, and we are grateful for her services. We extend our heartfelt thanks and best wishes as she embarks on new opportunities.

#### **Welcoming New Faces and Roles**

As we bid farewell to these valued colleagues, we are delighted to welcome new members to our team and celebrate the changing roles of familiar faces:

Jackie Davis will be transitioning to a new role as the Breakfast and After School Club Coordinator. We look forward to the children continuing to experience her warm and welcoming presence in this new capacity.  
After volunteering in Years 4 and 5, Shagufta Hayat will be joining our staff as a Teaching Assistant in Year 5, starting in September. We are thrilled to have her expertise and dedication as part of our team.  
Please join us in welcoming Mrs. Karen Hall, who will be joining our school as a Teaching Assistant in Year 4. With over 15 years of experience in primary school settings, Mrs. Hall brings a wealth of knowledge and a passion for supporting children's learning and development. We are excited to have her as part of our school community.  
We are pleased to welcome Yvonne McFarlane as our new Year 3 Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA). Yvonne brings extensive experience, having worked at Avondale Primary School since 2015 and in various primary school and nursery settings since 2002.

We look forward to building upon our successes this year with our dedicated team of professionals.

## Headteacher's address to year 6

Dear Year 6,

As we approach the end of this academic year, I wanted to express my gratitude and admiration for each and every one of you. Your dedication, kindness, and compassion have truly been an inspiration to us all at St. Michael and All Angels. Throughout your journey, you have worked tirelessly, consistently striving for excellence. Your unwavering commitment to improving yourselves, both academically and personally, has been remarkable. Some of you have even gone to extraordinary lengths, demonstrating a level of determination that is truly commendable. As you prepare to embark on the next chapter of your lives, I wish you all the very best. May the values and skills you have acquired here serve as a solid foundation for your future endeavours. Embrace the challenges that lie ahead with courage and resilience, and never lose sight of your dreams.

### Year 6 Leaver's Assembly



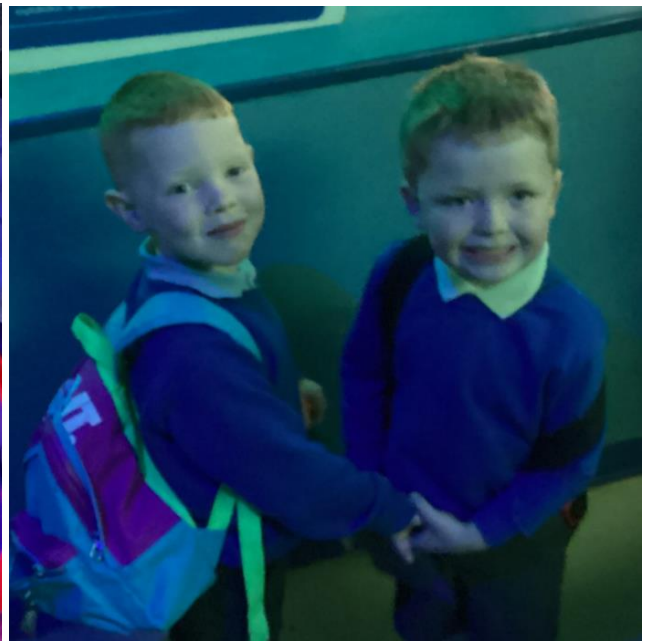


## Key Stage 2 “Wizard of Oz”





**EYFS Sealife Centre Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**





## Brockholes Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July





## Sports Day Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July





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# FAMILY MATTERS

*life*

Time out for parent courses

new  
era  
enterprises



4X 2hr Sessions

*Believing in you  
Believing in Better*

Scan to book - in the drop down box, please make sure you select the course and date required

## HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY

**Promoting healthy tips with our children & family members and strategies to handle anger better.**

September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 9.30am - 11.30am

## ASD

**Understanding autism and the way it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 12.45pm - 2.45pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 6.30pm - 8.30pm

## ADHD

**Understanding ADHD and how it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 9.30am - 11.30am  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 12.45pm - 2.45pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 12.45pm - 2.45pm

## THE TEENAGE YEARS

**The Teenage Years can sometimes be a challenge. This course explores the issues affecting teenagers & their parents.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th & July 2nd 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8, 15th Oct 1st, 8th 9.30am - 11.30am  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th & Dec 3rd 6.30pm - 8.30pm



We are really proud of Lara who is going to be donating 12 inches of her hair to The Little Princess Trust who provide real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or to other conditions such as Alopecia.



## OPEN DAY EVENTS



Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024 10:00, 13:30 & 18:00

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 10:00, 13:30 & 18:00

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024 10:00, 13:30 & 18:00



Do you have a child age 4 or under?  
Are you starting to consider your options for their primary education?  
Don't know where to start?

Please come and see what St. Michael And All Angels have to offer.

There will be tours of the school as stated above to give you an opportunity to spend a short time in the reception class with staff who will be available to answer any questions you may have.

We have an excellent staff team, all of whom are committed to providing your child with the very best education, in a happy and caring environment. Although we are a Church of England school we welcome children and families of all faiths.

Please telephone the school office on 01282 861338 or email [bursar@st-michaelangels.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@st-michaelangels.lancs.sch.uk) to register your interest. If you are unable to attend on any of these dates we will be happy to arrange an alternative with you.

Applications for primary school places in September 2025 open on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024, please make sure you apply online before the closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.





# Should I keep my child off school?

## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

## Reminder – Pre Order Lunch EYFS,KS1 & KS2

You can pre order your child's lunch via school spider. May I kindly ask you do not select 'Let school decide' – please select a meal option. Lunch orders will close the day before at 8am to enable us to inform the kitchen of numbers (**if your child requires a lunch on a Monday please pre order this before 8am the previous Friday**).

We appreciate that life doesn't always go to plan and that sometimes a last minute lunch is required. If this is the case, please contact the office via email – [bursar@st-michaelangels.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@st-michaelangels.lancs.sch.uk) phone or in person on that morning.



## Attendance Matters



Attendance research shows that pupils who attend school regularly are more likely to do well in the future. Regular attendance helps children to develop their confidence and to make and keep lasting friendships. Punctuality is also very important. School opens at 8:40am and children must be ready to learn by 8:50am each morning.

Did you know, that being just 15 minutes late each morning means that your child would miss 10 days from school each year?

If your child is absent, please ring school at your earliest opportunity and leave a message on the answerphone. If the attendance of a pupil is low or they are persistently late, parents will be contacted and asked to meet with school staff to see how this can be improved. Support will be offered to both parents and pupils as required. Thank you.

**FREE**

### Thursday 8th August Parent Webinar 6pm - 7pm Children's mental health in the digital age Workshop

**NHS**  
Lancashire &  
South Cumbria  
NHS Foundation Trust

We would like to invite parents/carers of young people to a workshop which explores Children's mental health in digital age

#### The workshop explores :

- Evidence around social media, technology and mental health
- Moving with the times
- Impact on mental health
- Thoughts, feelings, behaviour cycle
- What can you do to support your child.



Parents are welcome to ask questions or share any tips or strategies that they find beneficial in supporting their child.



**Meeting ID: 346 178 468 430**

**Passcode: mkeVjt**



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### **Safeguarding Concerns**

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any person have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform one of the school's designated safeguarding team.

DSL Lead Sara Richardson  
Deputy DSL Michelle Coffey  
DSL Rebbecca Lamb (SENCO)

### **NSPCC Support**

Click on the link for information to support your child regarding mental health.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/parent-leaflets>

### **SEND News**



#### **British Dyslexia Association**

Ten percent of the population are believed to be dyslexic, but it is still often poorly understood. With the right support, the strengths and talents of dyslexic people can really shine.

<https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/dyslexia>



### **Breakfast/Afterschool Club**

Please could any requests for late cancellations/late bookings be directed to **Mrs. Stuttard via the school office number 01282 861338 then select Option 3.**

If there is no answer, please leave a short message with your child's name, class and date you want them to attend.

## Summer Term 2024 Second Half



The Christian virtue  
focus this half term is  
thankfulness.



**Thankfulness**

The Growth Mindset  
focus is perseverance.



*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12*

