

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Tuesday 19th November** – Parents Evening 15:30 - 18:00

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Flu Immunisations

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Jarbola's into school

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November** – Church Christmas Fair 10:30

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Trip Palace Theatre Manchester

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 Nativity Matinee Performance 13:15

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Naticity Evening Performance 18:30

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Lunch (pre order via school spider)/Christmas Jumper Day (non-uniform day wear Christmas Jumper/festive colours. If it is your child's PE day they can wear Christmas jumper over their PE kit)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 & KS2 Party Day (non-school uniform)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Service in Church 11am parents/cares invited

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School closes 13:30

Monday 6th January – School re opens 08:40

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January – KS1 Trip Panto 'Sleeping Beauty'

Thursday 30th January – Candlemas Service in Church 11am parents/cares invited

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – School closes 15:20

Monday 24th February – School re opens 08:40

Our pupils have been busy engaging in a variety of activities that not only enrich their educational experience but also foster a sense of community and social responsibility.

Recently, we celebrated Anti-Bullying Week with our annual Odd Sock Day. It was heartening to see our pupils embrace this fun and quirky way of celebrating what makes us all unique. The sea of mismatched socks served as a powerful visual reminder that it's our differences that make our school community so special.

Our Year 5 and 6 girls have been kicking up a storm on the football pitch. Their enthusiasm and team spirit have been nothing short of inspiring. It's wonderful to see our young ladies taking to the field with such gusto, embodying the values of teamwork and perseverance that we hold dear at St Michael and All Angels.

In a more solemn note, our school community came together to mark Remembrance Day. This important occasion provided an opportunity for our pupils to reflect on the sacrifices made by others and to consider the importance of peace in our world today.

Not to be outdone by their football-playing peers, our Year 4 pupils have been showcasing their athletic prowess. Their recent participation in athletics events has been a joy to witness, with pupils pushing themselves to achieve their personal bests and supporting one another in true St Michael's spirit.

Lastly, but certainly not least, we recently held our Parents' Evening. These evenings are always a highlight in our school calendar, providing a valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to come together and discuss our pupils' progress. The conversations that take place during these evenings play a crucial role in supporting our pupils' educational journey. The next parents evening will take place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

As we move forward into the winter months, I'm filled with pride at the way our pupils continue to embrace every opportunity for growth and learning. Their enthusiasm and dedication truly bring our school values to life.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school community. It's through our collective efforts that we can provide the best possible environment for our pupils to thrive.



# Remembrance Day Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November



# Remembrance Service in Church



We are extremely proud of our athletes who represented school yesterday! They participated in a plethora of events and we can away with three out of the six "best individual" awards.



# Anti-bullying Assembly









### NEW BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

There will be an interest meeting for anyone who would like to take part in and/or help with a Baby and Toddler Group at St Michaels Church on Friday 29th November at 9.15 am in the church meeting rooms. If you're planning to come or can't make it but are still interested please email andyfroud@gmail.

### <u>Year 1</u>

Year 1 wrote some questions we would like to ask the evil pea. He is the one who committed the crimes against the fruit and vegetables last week! Miss Baines sent some to him and we waited to see if he replied. He did! He had come back to our classroom with some answers to our questions! We orally retold some of the Supertato story in our groups, using time words and past tense words ending in -Ed such ads checked or searched.



# Year 5 made and decorated some Autumn themed biscuits as part of their DT lessons. The finished biscuits looked amazing!







Attendance research shows that pupils who attend school regularly are more like 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.



#### COPING AT CHRISTMAS The Added Pressures of Christmas can be Tough, but it's Important to know there's always Someone you can Talk to ... SAMARITANS NHS 111 online PAPYRUS Call 116 123 to talk to Call 111 & select option Under 35s can Call 0800 Samaritans, or email: 2 to speak to the NHS 068 4141, Text: 88247 or Mental Health Crisis Email: pat@papyrus-10@samaritans.org for a Response Service 24/7 uk.org 24/7 reply within 24 hours Nhs.uk/mental-health Papyrus-uk.org Samaritans.org shout Call MIND's Mental Text "SHOUT" to 85258 Mental Health Forum & Health Helpline 9am to Chat for Men from 5pm to contact the Shout - midnight every day Call 6pm, Monday to Friday on Crisis Text Line, or text 0300 102 1234 "YM" if you're under 19 or Watsapp 0800 585858 Giveusashout.org Thecalmzone.net Mind.org.uk ChristmasCountdown.uk



### 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



"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

