



ST. MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MAY 2017

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe that we are now in the final term of this academic year. This is always a very busy term with class trips, the school show, sports day and much more!

PERSONAL PROJECTS

All pupils will be issued with a letter from the Class Teacher regarding personal projects. This is a great way for pupils to use the research and literacy skills learned in school independently. Topics will vary depending on learning in class.

UNIFORM

Logos-On will be in the school from 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday 9th May to take orders for uniforms. Delivery will be in June. We often receive positive comments on how smart the children look when representing the school. Can I remind parents that the summer dress colour is green and green cardigans are permitted when wearing the school dress. Polo shirts and different cardigans other than brown are otherwise discouraged. I would appreciate your support in adhering to the school uniform policy.



LENTEN FUNDRAISING

All our children were hugely successful during our Lenten Appeal. The total amount raised of £1,254.63 will be donated between Mary's Meals and S.C.I.A.F. The Easter Raffle in P.4 was won by Lucy McGeever from P.1 and the Mother's Day Hamper went home with Emily Reilly from P.4. Thank you to everyone who supported us during this time.

BOOK FAIR

We hope all the children were delighted with their purchases from the Book Fair. A commission total of £359.00 was raised which will be used to purchase new books for the school. Thank you.

P.7 YORK TRIP

Our P.7 children had a fantastic week in York and were a credit to their parents and the school. Due to the success of the trip and the great feedback we have received from parents, carers and our pupils, it has been decided to return to York next year for the P.7 trip.

KILBOWIE

Our P.6 children will head to Kilbowie on Monday 5th June. All outstanding payments are now due. Hopefully the weather will be kind and I am sure everyone will have a great time.

NSPCC

If you have any concerns or need some guidance about what your child may be accessing or sharing online the NSPCC has an excellent website with some great advice. Please visit their website for further information at <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-your-child-staying-safe-online/>

NURSERY

All nursery places for the next academic year have now been allocated. There will be an Open Evening for all new parents on Monday 8th May at 6.30 p.m.

LADIES NIGHT

St. Michael's Parent Council are holding a Ladies Night in the Knights of St Columba on Friday 2nd June at 7.30 p.m. Tickets priced at £5.00, including a free drink on arrival, are available from the school office. Please support this fundraising event and enjoy a live D.J., dancing, raffles and more.



BEAUTY AND THE BEAST PRODUCTION



The cast of this year's show are very busy rehearsing for their moment in the spotlight. All children have been issued with tickets for either Weds 10th or Thurs 11th May. The cost of £5.00 per ticket should be paid at the door. Due to the size of the hall, everyone must have their ticket with them on the night. We are sure you will be treated to a fantastic evening.

I would ask that, during the show, everyone has their mobile phone switched off. In previous years phones have caused interference with our sound system and we hope to avoid that this year. Thank you in advance.

MEAL PRICE INCREASE



As you may be aware the council accepted the proposal to increase the price of a school meal. From Monday 17th April the Primary Meal price has increased from £1.90 to £2.00 for two courses. Please refer to Spring and Summer Menu leaflet to see the range of options available to your child.

ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM

If you have not already done so, please sign up to the online payment system to allow you to top up your child's lunch card online. This reduces the need for your child to bring money to school and you can view what they have purchased each day.

Go to www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schoolpayments

or <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/stmichaelsweb> and select **make a payment**.

If you already have a myaccount click on the **Sign-In** logo and log in with your MyAccount details. If you don't already have a MyAccount, setting up an online account involves a simple registration process, to do this click on the **Register** logo. Once you've registered by providing a minimal amount of information, including about you and where you live, you'll be sent two emails; one with a username and another with a one-time use password.

If you have misplaced your child's ID reference please contact the school office.

BOOK AMNESTY



Unfortunately over the course of the school year our stocks of reading books deplete as pupils take them home and forget to return them. Could I ask you to have a good search at home and return any that you may find. We would be really grateful for any returned.

SUNNY DAYS

Hopefully the sun will shine on us this term. Should this be the case could you please apply sun cream in the morning before school and if you think it might be needed send a bottle of sun cream and a sunhat with your child. All children should also carry a water bottle to school each day.



SPORTS DAY



We intend to hold Sports Day on the afternoon of 12th June. As always it is weather permitting and should 12th prove to be wet and windy we would hold Sports Day the next sunny afternoon.

HOLIDAYS AND IN-SERVICE DAYS 2017 - 2018

Tuesday 15 th August 2017	In - Service Day - Staff only
Wednesday 16 th August 2017	In - Service Day - Staff only
Thursday 17 th August 2017	Return for all pupils
Fri 22 nd & Mon 25 th September 2017	Closed for September Weekend
Tuesday 26 th September 2017	Return for all staff and pupils
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th October 2017	Closed for October Break
Monday 23 rd October 2017	Return for all staff and pupils
Monday 20 th November 2017	In - Service Day - Staff only
Friday 22 nd December 2017	Close for Christmas Break at 2.30 pm
Monday 8 th January 2018	Return for all staff and pupils
Monday 12 th & Tuesday 13 th February 2018	Closed for February Break
Wednesday 14 th February 2018	In - Service Day - Staff only
Thursday 15 th February 2017	Return for all pupils
Thursday 29 th March 2018	Close for Easter Break at 2.30 pm
Friday 30 th March - Friday 13 th April 2018	Closed for Easter Holidays
Monday 16 th April 2018	Return for all staff and pupils
Monday 7 th May 2018	Closed for May Day Holiday
Tuesday 8 th May 2018	In -Service Day - Staff only
Friday 25 th May & Monday 28 th May 2018	Closed for May Weekend
Tuesday 29 th May 2018	Return for all staff and pupils
Thursday 28 th June 2018	Close for Summer Break at 1.00 pm
Good Friday 30 th March & Easter Monday 2 nd April	