Primary 6 Newsletter Term 1 August 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you back to another year of working in partnership with St Michael's Primary. I am delighted to report that they have all settled in well to their new class and are already working very hard! I am sure we will have an enjoyable and beneficial year together. The following information will give you an idea of the routines of the class and what your child will be doing this term:

Homework



Details of homework will continue to be carried out digitally using the children's Class Glow Team. Homework will include Spelling, Reading, Maths (including Times Tables) and occasional Topic and Religious work which should be completed in the homework jotters and returned on Friday of that week. A massive benefit to the

children is to practise their Spelling words and Tables every night, ready for their tests on a Friday.



P.E.

Our P.E is on a Monday and a Wednesday.

The children should now be taking responsibility for packing their school bags the night before, ensuring that they always remember their kit; green school gym top, green shorts and appropriate shoes.

It would be beneficial to ensure that no jewellery is worn on gym days for Health and Safety reasons. If earrings can not be taken out, please ensure that your child has plasters to cover these.

Please also ensure your child also brings plenty of water.

Names and Lost Property

I know that the children are getting older and are becoming more responsible for their own belongings; however, it is still important that <u>their name is on all items of their school</u> uniform as it would help us to return any items that may be left in the classroom.



Reading

As the children's reading books continue to become more advanced, they are



being asked to read a lot more independently. After the Reading Modelling Block, the children will receive a Reading Book for homework. It should be read in the best way that suits your child and you, but the children should be reading a part each night. One recommendation is that your child reads

independently, reading a part each night, then possibly reading a page out loud, answering questions and talking about the book and the characters. This will help your child to get through the book and will also allow you to check for understanding. Another way which works very well is to share the reading, both taking turns to read a page aloud (which models fluency and expression for the children).

Topic

Our first topic this term is Italy and Scotland, comparing the two countries.

Finally, if you ever have any worries, concerns or questions about your child and school, please do not hesitate to get in touch this can be done by phoning or emailing the school.

I look forward to working in partnership with you and your child and we will have a successful, memorable year together.

Thank you, Mrs Carrick