



ST. MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

With the final months of the school year ahead of us, we have a great deal planned between now and the summer holidays. Within this newsletter you will find all the important dates and information for the weeks ahead.

FATHER MICHAEL'S RETIRAL

As many of you will know Father Michael will retire as Parish Priest and school chaplain in May of this year.

Father Michael has been an integral and valued member of our school community for nearly thirty years, and as such we want to ensure we give him a worthy send off.

Bishop Toal will be celebrating Mass in the school in honour of Father Michael's retiral on Weds 8th May at 1.30 p.m. Following this the children will make a presentation to Father Michael. We would like to invite all parents/carers and grandparents to join us. Please be seated by 1.15 p.m.

MARY'S MEALS

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Mary's Meals Appeal. Your generosity during Lent was greatly appreciated and the fantastic amount raised of £1,619.54 will feed 83 children for a year. St. Michael's children should be very proud.

SPRING DISCO

The Parent Council will hold discos for all our children on Thurs 16th April.



P. 1 - 3 children from 6.30 p.m. until 7.30 p.m.

P.4 - 7 children from 7.45 p.m. until 8.45 p.m.



Many thanks to everyone involved in organising this for our pupils. A cost of £2.00 will be collected at the door. Our P.4 - 7 pupils should enter via the fire door of Room 11 and all pupils must be collected by an adult.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

This term we will return to allocated days for outdoor learning. Pupils should come dressed in their school P.E. kit with joggers/leggings and their school fleece. As always, no football colours or new clothes.

The timetable below will begin on Monday 22nd April.

MONDAYS - P. 7A & P.7B

TUESDAYS - P.3 & P.6

WEDNESDAYS - P.1 & P.2/1

THURSDAYS - P.6/5 & P.4

FRIDAYS - P.3/2 & P.5

PRIMARY 7 ARRANGEMENTS

This is an extremely busy term for our Primary 7 children. There are many events planned and I ask that you take note of all the important dates and times.



York Trip - We are very much looking forward to our trip from 20th - 23rd May.

All payments should now have been made in full and £100 spending money should be handed into school in a marked envelope by Monday 13th May. Please ensure the breakdown is **3 x £20, 3 x £10 and 2 x £5 notes.**

If your child will require any medication while they are away from home, including travel sickness or inhalers, please e-mail Mrs Rand nrandp@northlan.org.uk

Transition - The Transition Days to St. Maurice's High School will take place on Weds 5th and Thurs 6th June. Children will be transported to and from St. Michael's by bus.

Leavers - The Leavers Party for all our P.7 children will be held on Thurs 20th June in the Auchengeich Miners Club. Time to be confirmed.

Leavers Mass and Prizegiving date to follow.

SPORTS DAY

This will take place in the afternoon of Tuesday 11th June, weather permitting. Parents/carers are invited to attend and cheer on the children from 1.00 p.m.



PRIMARY 1 TRANSITION

A varied number of events are planned for our new intake for August 2024. Again full details have been forward to all our families. Induction dates are noted below.

Tuesday 14th May from 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Monday 10th June from 9.15 - 10.30 a.m.

Thurs 23rd May from 1.00 - 2.45 p.m. (Extra for children currently attending partner nurseries)

WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP



We plan to take the whole school to Blair Drummond Safari Park on Tuesday 4th June for our Summer Outing. A letter with further details has been sent to all parents. The payment of £15.00 per child should be made via iPay by Monday 13th May. This trip is being subsidised by school fundraising.

SCIENCE CENTRE TRIP

As part of their STEM curriculum, our P.5, P.6/5 and P.6 children will visit the Glasgow Science Centre on Wednesday 5th June. A letter with further details will be sent to all parents.

FURTHER OUTINGS

Children from St. Michael's will attend a Primary Education Construction Competition on Thurs 18th April at Gartlea Community Centre. We will also be represented at NLActive Schools Football Festival at Broadwood Stadium on Weds 24th April. All children involved will receive further information by e-mail.

'THE LION KING'



Our upper school continue to practise hard for their performances of The Lion King.

All P. 4 - 7 parents will receive an e-mail to select their ticket choices from Weds 29th and Thurs 30th May, up to four tickets per family. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

SHARING THE LEARNING

We will be hosting an open afternoon on Friday 14th June. From 2.00 p.m. onwards, parents and carers are invited to visit their child's/children's class/classes to witness the learning taking place here at St. Michael's.

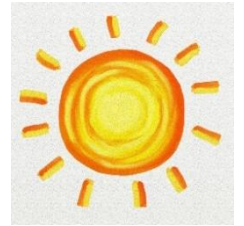
SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we are now firmly in Spring, girls are invited to wear green summer dresses and green cardigans to school should they wish to do so.

Please remember pupils should always wear a school tie with a white shirt.

As an alternative to school trousers pupils can also wear brown shorts.

Please also ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name, particularly their school fleece, to avoid mix-ups. On particularly hot days, P.E. kits should be worn.



STAY AND PLAY

We continue to hold our Toddler Sessions on a Friday morning. Parents and preschool children will be made most welcome from 9.15 a.m. and can enjoy play, stories and snack. Please pass this on to any families who may be interested.

HOLIDAYS/INSERVICE

Please find detailed below the remaining dates:-



Thursday 2nd May - Inservice Day, staff only

Monday 6th May - School closed, May Day

Friday 24th & Monday 27th May - School closed, May Weekend

Wednesday 26th June - School closes at 1.00 p.m.

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

In line with North Lanarkshire Council Attendance Policy any holidays taken during term time will be marked as 'unauthorised parental holiday' on your child's absence record.

As always, if there is anything in this newsletter that you would like to discuss or indeed any aspect of school life, please contact via e-mail addresses stated below.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Greechan
HEAD TEACHER

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 16 th April	Spring Discos
Thurs 2 nd May	Inservice Day
Mon 6 th May	School closed - May Day Holiday
Weds 8 th May	Father Michael's Retiral Mass 1.30 p.m.
Thurs 9 th May	Ascension Thursday
Tues 14 th May	P.1 Induction Event 1.30 p.m.
Mon 20 th - Thurs 23 rd May	P.7 Trip to York
Fri 24 th - Mon 27 th May	School closed - May weekend holiday
Weds 29 th & Thurs 30 th May	The Lion King Upper School Show
Tues 4 th June	Blair Drummond Safari Park Trip
Weds 5 th June	Science Centre for P.5, 6/5 & 6
Weds 5 th & Thurs 6 th June	P.7 Transition at St. Maurice's High
Mon 10 th June	P.1 Induction Event 9.15 a.m.
Tuesday 11 th June	Sports Day from 1.00 p.m.
Friday 14 th June	Sharing the Learning from 2.00 p.m.
Thursday 20 th June	Leavers Night in Auchengeich Miners
Wednesday 26 th June	School closes at 1.00 p.m.

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