



# Primary 7/6 Newsletter

## September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to a new school year. It is my first year teaching in St Michael's and I am delighted to be working with such a lovely group of children. We have got off to an excellent start so far and I am really looking forward to getting to know you and your children. Given that it is a composite class, some of the children are getting to know one another for the first time. We have spent some time doing team building activities to help build confidence with each other. I can already see new friendships forming and I am confident many more will progress throughout their time together this year.

### **Homework**

Homework will be issued on a Friday on our class Teams page, which can be accessed in the Files section and on the Homework Channel. The homework will consist of a spelling task, reading and a Maths task, which will usually be assigned on Sumdog, based on the skills we have been learning in class. The children have been given a homework jotter which has both their Glow and Sumdog logins on the first page. Homework should be returned the following Thursday.

### **Reading**

We are currently reading *The Eleventh Orphan* by Joan Lingard as a class novel for our modelling block. When this is finished, your child will receive a novel home and be given pages to read each week. Reading and discussing the text together helps improve fluency and comprehension and we would encourage you to participate in this in a way that suits your family.

### **P.E. Days**

The children will participate in P.E. twice a week; a Wednesday and a Friday. On P.E. days, full school uniform should be worn and the children will change into their P.E. kit in school. This should be the green school P.E. t-shirt and shorts. Please make sure your child has these in their school bag on a Monday for the week. If you don't have the school t-shirt, a plain t-shirt is allowed, preferably white in preparation for St Maurice's.

### **Topic**

Our topic for Term 1 is Natural Disasters. The children are very excited about this and have lots of ideas of what and how they would like to learn.

Finally, if you ever have any questions, worries or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can do this by phoning or emailing the school office. I am really excited to have the opportunity to work with your children this year and to share in their many successes and achievements.

Kind regards

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