



# Newsletter Term 5 - April 2026



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**\*\*Tapestry Memos are our main source of communication for general updates\*\***

## Term Dates

Term 5- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Bank Holidays - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May - pre-school closed

Term 6- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June to Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July

## Activities Planned this Term

Water and messy play, painting, experiments, junk modelling

## Needed

Please can you save your JUNK, this is recycling food boxes etc. We have planned some Junk Modelling and a 3D Dragon for St Georges Day. Also need some milk bottle tops please.

## Date for the diary

Summer Outing – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July @ The Rare Breeds

## Fundraising Shed

Please support this fundraiser, all funds are for the benefit of your children. Thank you



## Weekly Phonic Sound

Week 1 - v Week 2 - w

Week 3 - x Week 4 - y

Week 5 - z

Please see Tapestry for the sound of the week video including song and sign.



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## Transitions

For the children leaving us in September we have organised some shared learning with St Michaels Primary's reception class this term. This will help with all children experiencing a new learning environment and help to gain confidence. Please let us know if you don't want your child to take part.

A member of staff will be accompanying 5 children for an hour each week on either a Wednesday or Thursday afternoon. If you wish to know what day your child is going please just ask.

## Pre-school Library

Please come and borrow a book from our book case, giving you more choices of books to share with your child. Please note, only the books in the book case are included in the library. Please remember to return the books and record in the Library book register.

**WHY NOT COME IN AND READ A STORY TO THE CHILDREN, GRANDPARENTS WELCOME TOO**

## Clothing, Footwear & Sun cream

Self manageable clothing and footwear (no laces) will help your child gain independence. No open toe sandals. A spare set of clothes in a non plastic bag on their peg will help if the children get wet in water play.

Please apply sun cream before coming to pre-school. The once a day cream is recommended.

## Illness

Please remember to leave at least **48 hours** after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.



# Everyday things to know



## Pre-school Clothing

Your child will get dirty and messy at pre-school, we do have polo shirts and sweatshirts for you to purchase if you wish.

## TAPESTRY

Observations, Memos and Activities are accessible through the app. This online sharing observation tool is exciting and interactive, partnership with parents at its best. Add photos from home to share with us. **'Hitting' the like button tells us you have seen an observation or memo. We love feedback!!**

Remember to check documents and memos for the latest information.

Filling in the 'About Me' section is a fantastic way to share information about your child with their key person.

## Pre-school Opening Times

Session times -

**Monday 9am - 12pm, 1pm or 3pm**

**Tuesday 9am - 12pm**

**Wednesday 9am - 12pm, 1pm or 3pm**

**Thursday 9am - 12pm, 1pm or 3pm**

**Friday 9am - 12pm**

Packed lunch and drink (water) needed if they stay after 12pm. Please name all items.

Gate opens - **9am**

Gate closes - **9.15am**

Prompt pick up please - gate opens at 2.45pm on full days

## Lunch Boxes & Drink Bottles (Please NAME both especially drinks bottles)

It has been highlighted that whole grapes and cherry tomatoes are a choking hazard. Please cut these length ways to eliminate the risk. Do not include any nuts, this includes peanut butter and Nutella chocolate spread. Please beware we do have a child on the register with a nut allergy.

Lunch boxes are not refrigerated, please bear this in mind in hot weather. A frozen ice block is recommended.

**Remember to include cutlery (if needed) in the lunch box too.**

Thank you.