



# Newsletter Term 4 - February 2024



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## Term Dates

**Term 4** - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

**Term 5** - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Bank Holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - pre-school closed

**Term 6** - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## Contact Information

For day to day things such as late arrivals, asking about how your child is settling in, please call or text the number above. Any other questions please email Tracey – [tracey@stmichaels-preschool.co.uk](mailto:tracey@stmichaels-preschool.co.uk)

## National Story Telling Week

Thank you to all the parents that came in to read last term. The invitation is still open. Doesn't have to be reading a story you can sing, do some keep fit or just come in and play!

## Children's Bags

Can you please be mindful to what you put in your children bags/rucksacks. The bags are kept on their pegs and all children could have access to them so please no medicines (Calpol etc) sweets/chocolate or anything else unsuitable. Thank you.

Can you also check that the spare clothes in the bags are relevant to the weather. Any clothes borrowed please remember to return them ASAP.

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

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## 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.

## Activities Planned this Term

Numbers, science, painting, messy play, physical play, planting, Dinosaur week

## Clothing & Footwear

Self manageable clothing and footwear (no laces) will help your child gain independence. The children access the outside environment all year round, so a water proof coat is needed. Your children will get dirty, so old clothes are advisable.

## Sound of the week

Look out on Tapestry for the sound of the week. This is a video to show your children  
\*what is in the box \*the song to go with the sound \*how to form the letter - first week back the letter is 'o'

## Tapestry

Have you seen the story videos we are adding to Tapestry to share with your children. Any requests of books please let us know. Has your child got a favourite they would like to hear?

# Everyday things to know



## Illness

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



## 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.

Gate opens - **9am**

Gate closes - **9.15am**

Prompt pick up please, due to primary school security

## 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.

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.