



# Newsletter Term 2 - November 2023



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

## 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 is advisable.

## Term Dates

**Term 2** - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

**Term 3** - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**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



## Dates for Diary

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Show

Both events are held at St Michaels Village Hall

More details to follow



## Mobile Phones

Could we please ask you to respect our 'Mobile Phone Policy'. No phones to be used in pre-school, this includes texting and in the wooded area. Thank you.

## 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)

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**Activities Planned this Term**  
Halloween, Fireworks, messy play, painting, Christmas

### **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.

### **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?

### **Website**

We are currently updating our website photographs and would like to include photo's of our current children. The enrolment form covered permission for photos to be used but if you would prefer not to have photos of your child on our website please let us know.

**Recycling & Sustainability** – we have been talking about what things can be recycled from our packed lunch boxes. Also turning off the lights if not needed. We have introduced a bin for recycling paper too!

### **Pre-school Policies**

This term we are highlighting the Packed Lunch Policy. The policies are attached to this memo for your information. Policies can also be found on Tapestry, Website and in the foyer.

# 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.