



Newsletter Term 3 - January 2025



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Tapestry Memos are our main source of communication for general updates



Term Dates
Term 3- Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February
Term 4- Monday 24th February to Friday 28th March
Term 5- Monday 14th April to Friday 23rd May
Bank Holidays -Friday 8th April, Monday 21st April and Monday 5th May - pre-school closed
Term 6- Monday 2nd June to Monday 21st July

Pre-school New Building and Temporary Mobile
Thank you all very much with your patience with the issues with the building works. We have now resolved the security with the primary school and can go back to our usual pick up times. But please be aware we still need to get parents and children off site promptly.
Report updates from Longley will carry on being added to Tapestry, I hope you find them useful.

Mobile Phones
Could we please ask you to respect our 'Mobile Phone Policy'. No phones to be used in pre-school.



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

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Planned this Term

Cloud dough, play dough, water play, tap tap.
Independence - coats, shoes, jumpers, please practise this at home.

National Story Telling Week – 3rd February 2025

If you would like to come in and read a story to the children please let us know – you can choose a book to read and only needs to be 3-5 minutes long or we have plenty at pre-school.

Pre-school Policies

Please read the Pre-school policies

Weekly Phonic Sound

Week 1 - j

Week 2 - k

Week 3 - l

Week 4 - m

Week 5 - n

Week 6 - o

Please see Tapestry for the sound of the week video.

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.

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 warm water proof coat is needed. Your children will get dirty so old clothes is advisable.

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 - 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.

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.