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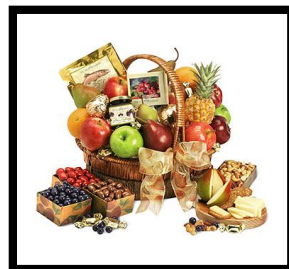
A very warm welcome to another edition of our newsletter of what has become a very busy and action packed Term 1. There are only two weeks left of this term and there are a whole host of activities ahead, so get those diaries ready!

A Reminder: Priorities for This Academic Year Are Reading and Writing and INSET Day on Monday 31st October

As you are aware our priorities for this academic year are to improve the level of reading and writing in all of our children. We have already started by holding special activities such as 'Roald Dahl' day as well as continuing our 'Extreme Reading'. As ever your support is gratefully received by ensuring that you read with your child every single night as well as sign their reading record. Many thanks once again. Finally, to ensure even more progress towards achieving our targets **there will be an INSET Day on Monday 31st October and, therefore, children will need to return to school on Tuesday 1st November at 8.40am prompt.**

Harvest Service at St Michael's

Many thanks to all of you who popped along to our Harvest Service last Thursday. It was a great service and well done to all the staff and children for putting together a great event. Finally, a big thank you to everybody for the donations of tinned food and packets which will help many people less fortunate than ourselves.



Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings Today and Tomorrow

Just a reminder that there are still appointments available for you to see your child's teacher either this evening or tomorrow. Please phone the office and make an appointment if you have not done so already. Finally, unless otherwise stated all extra-curricular clubs are cancelled for this and will resume week beginning Monday 17th October.

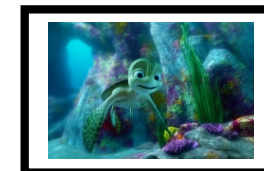
National Roast Dinner Day – This Wednesday!

We will be celebrating National Roast Dinner day this Wednesday and it would be great if your child could take part. It's going to be delicious roast beef, Yorkshire puds and all the trimmings, I can't wait! The cost of a school lunch is £2 and please ensure that you get your order in asap!

Inclusion Quality Mark Presentation

I had the great pleasure accompanying Ms Cuthbertson and Mrs Gillum to the Guildhall last Thursday to watch Mr Reilly collect our school's renewed Inclusion Quality Mark. It was a proud moment and is a just reward for all of the hardwork that our staff put in to make this one of the most inclusive schools in BaNES. Well done to Mr Reilly and our great family and here's to more success!

St Michael's Film Week – Whole School Trip to Odeon on Thursday 13th October



It's that time of year again whereby St Michael's participates in National Schools Film Week. This year's film week will have an 'Eco' theme as the children will be studying two films 'Wall E' and 'A Turtle's Tale: Sammy's Adventure' as well as working on our priorities of reading and writing. Indeed, the week starts this Thursday with all of our children heading to the Odeon to enjoy 'A Turtle's Tale: Sammy's Adventure' and many thanks to Mr Reilly and all the staff for organising this great event.

Ted's Big Day Out – Friday 14th October!!

It's also that time of year whereby we support our great local hospital by allowing our teddy bears to pop into school as well as allowing our children to wear mufti – as long as 50p is brought in! This year the theme is 'Flower Power' and it would be great to see bears and children looking the part. As ever there will be a bear raffle at the end of the day and tickets are

now on sale. Many thanks to Mrs Pile for organising the events to help the RUH!

Lunchtime Detentions and PE Kits

Just a reminder that we are in the fourth week of our new lunchtime detentions as part of our drive to improve standards as well as prepare our children for secondary school. These are for children who are unable to conform to school rules, do not have PE kits as well as those children who are not producing enough work to a high enough standard. If your child receives a lunchtime detention you will receive a text informing you so and please follow up with your child as to the reasons why. Many thanks for your support in this matter as we strive to improve at St Michael's.

Farewell to St Michael's

Unfortunately we say goodbye to Miss Bellacomo this coming Friday as she heads back to Twerton Infants. We wish her all the best and many thanks to her for all of her hardwork and support over the year.

Looking Forward - Dates for Your Diary

It continues to be very busy so here goes!

Today and Tomorrow Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings.

Thursday 13th October – Film Week trip to Odeon Cinema

Friday 14th October – Ted's Big Day Out and Flower Power Mufti and Teddy Bear Raffle

Monday 17th October – St Michael's Film Week

Friday 21st October – End of Term 1

Monday 31st October – INSET Day

Tuesday 1st November – Start of Term 2

And Finally.....

Many thanks for reading our fifth newsletter for this academic year and here's to the cinema and Ted's Big Day Out!!

With every good wish,

**Mr Dave Goucher
Headteacher.**



Working together for the BEST!



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