

## Dear Parent/Carer,

A very warm welcome to the fourth edition of our newsletter and it continues to be so very busy and this will be the case until half term. Here goes with all the news and we start with our results from last year as well as our priorities for the forthcoming year.

### End of KS2 SATs and Priorities for This Academic Year – Reading and Writing

Our end of Year 6 results have been confirmed and they stand at 83% Level 4 in Maths and 66% Level 4 in English. We are all really pleased with our Maths result as it is above both National and BaNES average which is a remarkable achievement. Our English result was lower than expected and we are now redoubling our efforts to improve the standard of reading and writing in our children. Your support in this area is vital! Indeed, by ensuring that your child is reading every night and filling in their reading record will go in some way to helping us to get better. Many thanks for your continued support in this area.

### Coop Farm Trip and Bath Coffee Festival

Classes 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed a wonderful visit to a farm last week as part of the prize won at last May's Bath Coffee Festival. Many thanks to the Co-operative supermarket for this great prize, to Miss Walsh and staff for organising the trips as well as to all the children for representing their school and community with great pride.



### Harvest Service on Thursday at 1.30pm at St Michael's School Hall

We will be celebrating Harvest all this week culminating in our Harvest Service this Thursday at 1.30pm in our school hall. Once again we will be collecting food and packets

and this year our donations will go to Bath YFC who distribute food to some of the most vulnerable and needy groups in our city. Doors open for our Harvest Service at 1.15pm and there will be tea and coffee available. Finally, if you do pop along you are welcome to take your child home a little earlier than usual.

### Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Along with this newsletter is the letter regarding next week's Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings. The usual routines will apply and please return your slips as soon as possible. As ever appointments will be based on a first come first served basis.

### Inclusion Quality Mark Presentation

I will be popping along with one or two other members of our family to see Mr Reilly collect our renewed Inclusion Quality Mark Award this Wednesday at The Guildhall. Indeed, this is our second IQM award and a huge well done to Mr Reilly for all of his hardwork and to everyone else who has supported our school through the process.



### Lunchtime Detentions

As part of our drive to improve standards as well as prepare our children for secondary school, we have introduced lunchtime detentions. These are for children who are unable to conform to school rules 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.

## Attendance Week Starts Continues!!!

Every week now sees an Attendance Week and well done to Class 2 for winning the cup last week. Indeed, I hope that they enjoy their reward and many thanks for your continued support as we strive to achieve our 95% target and our attendance currently stands at 95.4%.

## PE Kits, Uniform and Scholars

PE kits should be in school every single day, indeed we have had quite a number of children without kit and, as a result, have missed their lesson! Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in. Furthermore, please ensure that your child is in correct uniform – in particular no hoodies and please ensure that your child is in suitable black shoes. Finally, we have now a new uniform supplier which is now Scholars which, as you know, is located near 'Bog Island'. Prices are very reasonable at £6.50 for a polo shirt and £8.50 for a jumper.

## Looking Forward - Dates for Your Diary

It continues to be very busy so here goes!

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Service at 1.30pm**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October –**

**Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings.**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Ted's Big Day Out and Flower Power Mufti and Teddy Bear Raffle**

Once again we will be supporting this great event whereby your child may bring in their teddy and wear mufti for 50p. There will also be a teddy bear raffle and tickets will be on sale from next Monday.

## And Finally.....

Many thanks for reading our fourth newsletter for this academic year and here's to Harvest!

**With every good wish,**

**Mr Dave Goucher  
Headteacher.**



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