

Message from the **Deputy Headteacher** Wow - what a busy week we have had! Our annual Aspire and Achieve week has been a huge success, and we've been extremely lucky to meet so many wonderful people from different professions. Thank you to our visitors. including many parents and carers, who took the time to come in and speak to the children - they were truly

inspired. A big thank you to Mr Smith and Miss Cornett who made it all happen.

Curriculum Visits



As well as Aspire and Achieve week, we have also had lots of exciting trips taking place this week. Year 1 had lots of fun at the beach, Nursery had a great time at the farm, and Year 5 had a fabulous day at Otterspool (and that's just to

name a few!). Thank you to all parent helpers who supported us with trips this term - we couldn't do it without you.

staff they will be working with next year, and are looking forward to spending another morning

Transition Morning

On Wednesday the children spent the morning with their new teacher, getting a flavour of what exciting things are in store for them in September. The children had a great time getting to know the new

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Fantastic Walking

This week there was some tough competition

together on Wednesday 13th July.

for the winners of the Fantastic Walking hampers, and the children have been role models around school, modelling 'fantastic walking' wherever they go. This week's winners of the picnic hampers were: Golden Wonders and Olympians. Well done! I wonder who will win next week? Have a wonderful weekend.



The St Michael's Melodies had the pleasure of performing at the Royal Philharmonic Hall on Friday. The choir learnt new songs all about becoming globally and environmentally aware whilst developing their personal talents.

They have been practising for weeks and gave an amazing performance along with 26 other schools across Liverpool! It was an amazing experience for the choir and they sounded brilliant! We can't wait to do more performances in the new school year.







Mr Smith's Guitar Club

On Thursdays, from 3:30 until 4:15 I've started a guitar club for Year 5 children. I started learning to play guitar in school in the same way. Playing an instrument has brought me so many new friendships and different experiences. I hope it can be the same for the children in our club when they go on to become proficient players.

We have bought 5 brand new guitars for the club which the children will use in school and on loan at home. We're two weeks in and I'm already delighted by the progress that they are making. I can see that the children are showing an aptitude and commitment that will enable them to become confident musicians in the future.

So far we have looked at the basics of holding a guitar, what the strings are called, what frets are and what all the different parts

are called. We use the acronym "Eddie Ate Dynamite Good Bye Eddie" to remember EADBGE. We then moved on to single finger chords. The chords we've learned are a simplified G and an E. The children are practising transitioning between these two chords at home this week. I can't wait to see the progress they have made at home. Then we will start adding more complex chords to our repertoire so we can start to play full songs together.



This week our <u>Collective Worship</u> theme has been Aspire and Achieve. On Monday, we welcomed some CAFOD volunteers visiting the school, they led a 'Step up to the Plate' assembly for KS2 children and workshops for all children from Reception to Year 6. Throughout our Aspire and Achieve week children have had an opportunity to reflect, through prayer and scripture, on the things they would like to achieve personally and their aspirations for God's global family. Our worship song has been, 'He's got the whole world in His hands.

God of courage, help us to be brave when things are difficult, and to be there for others who are facing hard times, so they may know that they are not alone. Amen







On Thursday 8th July 2022, Year Five spent a wonderful summer's day at Otterspool Adventure Centre. We

completed so many fun and adventurous activities. We bounced like crazy on the bouncing pillows. We raced each other using two different types of vehicles on two different race tracks. We tested our golfing skills on an amazing adventure golf course. There were mini-diggers for us to test our building skills. We built sandcastles in the sand pit. We spend time using a huge playground with swings and other incredible pieces of apparatus. The wonderful staff at Otterspool even gave every single one of us a free chocolate egg! Thank you to all the parent helpers who joined us on this fantastic school trip!









Year 6-Whizz Kids



What a busy half term it has been for our Whizz Kids. Last week, we put on our very own production of Trolls and were delighted to see so many parents in the audience cheering us on! We loved it and many of us now feel inspired to join a performing arts club in Year \neq !

This week, we have started preparing for our Masquerade Prom Night on Thursday 14th July 2022. We will be creating masks in class next week for this exciting event. Children should arrive at school for a 6pm start in their chosen party wear – we can't wait to see you there!

<u>Aspíre & Achieve Week</u>

This week we have loved welcoming many visitors into our classroom to share their careers with us. We all have amazing ambitions to become police dog handlers, models, fashion designers, crime investigators, marine biologists and astronauts. We learned that no matter what career we choose, making sure we are in school every day is vital for teaching us both the skills and the commitment required to succeed in these exciting roles. Our visitors included a game designer from PlayStation, a comedian, an engineer and a singer to name a few.

<u>Our Fínal Weeks ín St Míchael's</u>

On Friday of this week, we all visited our Secondary Schools for a Transition Day. We were able to see our new schools as well as meet some of our new teachers. Lots of us are very excited to start this next adventure, but when asked 'What will you miss the most here at St Michael's?' Here were some of our responses:



I will miss the nine years I've had in this school – St Michael's will always have a place in my heart.







I will miss the teachers at St Michael's.







I will miss the spinney of course!











An interview with Paula Barker (MP)



What inspired you to be an MP?

I wanted to help people who were from Wavertree since I was born there. I was born to stand up right for my home.

How do you become an MP? (any skills required)

I decided to stand as a candidate and I had to go to something called a selection process. I had to deliver a speech to labor party members and people voted for me. Listening and local community interests are some of the skills required, but the main thing is to have the desire to do it.

If you didn't have your job right now, what job do you think you would have?

So before I became an MP I was something called a trade union official. It was a job that I loved very much.

How would you describe the responsibilities of your position? Overwhelming sometimes because there's a lot of pressure to

represent the views of my constituents. There's about 70000 constituents and their views sometimes conflict and I have represent those views to the best of my ability and do what I believe is right.

What does your typical day look like?

On Monday I go straight to my London apartment and check some emails and do some meetings and I write letters to the government. I visit many schools and also do some campaigning.

What are the biggest challenges of your job?

The biggest challenges are trying to get the government to understand the pressure that I face with the money, cost of living crisis, rising energy costs, housing issues all things like that and trying to get the government to listen and understand (which they very rarely do).

What do you like the most about your job?

The thing I love the most is helping people in need.

Are you currently involved in any projects?

One of the things that I am doing is helping your school by cleaning the subway. The council say that they do that regularly and I am asking the council to put a safe crossing in so you can cross safely.

I know we met last time regarding the improvement of the subway, can you comment on any further developments which will make this a safe space for children to pass through?

The council is coming to clean the subway. The main thing we need to do is to ask the council what they are doing and we need to make the crossing safe For children to pass through.

Can we have Euro bins around Guion Street?(because lots of people are fly-tipping, it is unsafe, and there is lots of rubbish.) So euro bins are the responsibility of the council. Each area has local councils and the people who are responsible for euro bins and I will certainly speak to them about this and request for the council to do that.

How do you feel about Boris Johnson resigning?

I am pleased but I will be happier if the conservative party were completely out of power.

Do you think the conservative party should remain in power and why?

Absolutely not, they have been in power for 12 years and our communities are suffering and we have the worst cost of living crisis since the 1950s and our communities need a government who will be able to make their lives better.





Around the World



Would you be interested

in sharing food from your home country with others and

wear traditional dress?

See Mrs Birch or Mrs Roscoe for further details



The Around the World Picnic with take place on

This Wednesday - 13th July at 2:15PM

School will close at 2:00PM

There will be

Food from Around the World Tasting

Refreshments



DJ

Face Paints



Tombola—donations please

A free ice-cream for every child

Bring you own blanket and picnic. Let's enjoy the afternoon together and celebrate our many cultures!



Important

Dates



Date	Event
Monday 11th	Sports Day
	10:00AM Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 (infants)
	2.00PM - Years 3 to 6 (juniors)
Tuesday 12th July	Nursery Farm Trip (afternoon children)
Wednesday 13th July	Around the World Picnic at 2:15
	School closes at 2:00PM
Thursday 14th July	Junior Prize Giving—9:15AM
	Year 6 Prom—6:00PM-8:00PM
	Nursery Sport Day
	Morning Nursery—9:15AM
	Afternoon Nursery—2:15PM
Friday 15th July	Reception Farmer Ted's Trip
	Year 3 Blue Planet Aquarium
Monday 18th July	Infant Prize Giving—9:15AM
	Year 4 Safari Trip
Tuesday 19th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly—9:15AM



Activities for the Summer

The Summer HAF programme starts on the 20th July and there are lots of great activities happening over the



school holidays. Children and young people will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the summer holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost to you**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **boxing**,

trampolining, football, music, dance, cycling, cooking, climbing, films, bowling, arts and crafts, drama, a make up course, trips out and much more! Every day there will be a meal available for every child that attends.

To find out where your nearest scheme and all the details of what is on click on this link <u>http://www.merseyplay.com/haf-holiday-activities-and-food-fund/</u> - or visit <u>www.Merseyplay.com</u> and click on the HAF link.



St Michael's Catholic Primary School Uniform 2021/22

Nursery Uniform



Royal Blue Sweatshirt (badged or plain) Royal Blue Jogging Bottoms White Polo Shirt (badged or plain)

Please note: School uniform does not have to branded. Supermarket uniform is acceptable.

Girls Summer Uniform



Blue Summer Dress White Socks Navy Cardigan/Jumper (badged or plain) Black School Shoes

Girls Winter Uniform



Navy Cardigan/Jumper (badged or plain) White Shirt School Tie School Kilt/Pinafore or Navy Skirt/ Pinafore

Black/Grey Socks or Tights

Boys Winter Uniform



Navy Jumper (badged or plain) White Shirt School Tie Grey/Black School Trousers Black School Shoes

<u>PE Kit</u>

(Reception—Year 6)



Navy Jumper (badged or plain) White Polo Shirt (badged or plain) Grey/Black Shorts Grey/Black Socks Black School Shoes



School PE T-Shirt (plain white polo or badged school top) Royal Blue PE Shorts

Black Pumps or Trainers

Navy Jogging Bottoms (optional for the winter)







Price List

Jumper (With Badge) - £14.95 Cardigan (With Badge) - £15.95 Pinafore (Tartan Print) - £14.99 Skirt (Tartan Print) – £8.95 PE Kit (Top and Shorts With Badge) - £12.99 Waterproof School Coat (With Badge) - £25.00 School Tie (With Badge) - £4.00 Uniform is available at both shops below.

Payment plans are available to help spread the cost.

72 Priory Road L4 2RZ Phone: 0151 259 8277

275 East Prescot Road L14 2DB Phone: 0151 259 8277



Term Dates 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021



Term: Thursday 2nd September to Tuesday 21st December 2021 Half term: Friday 22nd October to Friday 29th October 2021 (school closed) Terms ends: Tuesday 21st December 2021

Spring Term 2022



Term: Wednesday 5th January 2022 - Friday 8th April 2022 Half term: Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February 2022 (school closed) Term ends: Friday 8th April 2022

Summer Term 2022



Term: Monday 25th April to Tuesday 19th July 2022 Half term: Monday 30th May to Monday 6th June 2022 (school closed) Term Ends: Tuesday 19th July 2022 May Bank Holiday: Monday 2nd May 2022 (school closed)

Staff Development Days (School closed for pupils)

Wednesday 1st September 2021 Friday 17th September 2021 Friday 22nd October 2021 Monday 28th February 2022 Two extended twilight sessions

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'With Jesus we can **achieve** what we **dream** and **believe**'

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Term Dates 2022-2023



Autumn Term 2022



Term: Thursday 1st September to Wednesday 21st December 2022 *Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 5th September to Friday 21st October* Half term: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022 *Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 31st October to Wednesday 21st December* Terms ends: Wednesday 21st December 2022

Spring Term 2023



Term: Wednesday 4th January - Wednesday 5th April 2023 *Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Wednesday 4th January to Thursday 9th February* Half term: Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023 *Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Monday 20th February to Wednesday 5th April* Term ends: Wednesday 5th April 2023

Summer Term 2023



Term: Monday 17th April to Thursday 20th July 2023 *Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May* Half term: Monday 29th May to Friday 9th June 2023 *Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 12th June to Thursday 20th July* Term Ends: Thursday 20th July 2023 May Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2023

Staff Development Days (School closed for pupils)



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