



Message from the headteacher

Friday 8th September 2023

Guion Street, Liverpool, L6 9DU

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to a new school year!

It was wonderful to see all the children return to school on Monday excited to start their new classes. The children look incredibly smart in their school uniform. In light of the current heatwave we have suggested children may want to wear their school PE to help keep cool. Next week as the weather is predicted to become more autumnal we will return to children wearing full school uniform and back to PE kits on their PE days. If anything changes we will keep you updated.

We have been also welcoming our new Reception class children last week.

All children across the school have settled well and using their many talents and skills to engage with learning and school activities.

A warm welcome to some new staff and update on new roles for staff

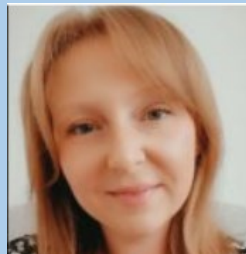
Ms Kormi –

Teacher for Reception Class (Shining Stars)



Ms Whittaker –

Teacher Year 5 (High Achievers)



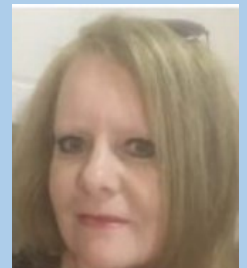
Ms Kayleigh –

Learning Support Assistant Year 2 (World Beaters)



We are very happy to welcome these colleagues and super impressed how quickly they have settled into their new roles in our school.

Also congratulations to **Ms Roscoe** who has been recently promoted to the position of Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for leading Key Stage One. We are delighted. We know what a wonderful job she will do.



The Staff Structure including roles and responsibilities is on the school website.



Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and year 2 are entitled to free school meals regardless of

Free School Meals

Are you entitled?

your income. Click [here](#) to apply for



Headteacher's Message

Class Welcome Meeting for all parents/carers Nursery class to Year 6

On **Wednesday 20th September** we would like to invite you into school at the end of the school day to meet your child's/ children's teachers and learning support assistants and hear about your child's/children's school day.

Each class teacher will give a presentation on important information about school life and things you need to know about your child's learning. There will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions and see some of the work the children have already done since starting the new school year.

Each class teacher will do two presentations to help parents who have more than one child in school. If you cannot get to all the presentations the class teacher will give you a copy.

Presentation one: 3.40pm

Presentation two 4.10 pm

Best Wishes –Alyson Rigby

Reassurance about our school building

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and its use in educational settings. RAAC is a lightweight form of concrete; because it is weaker than regular concrete, concerns have been raised about its long-term durability. Department for Education (DfE) has recently changed its guidance to education settings on the management of RAAC to take a more precautionary approach and as a result areas in affected spaces will be vacated.

We wanted to inform you that we do not have any confirmed RAAC in our buildings and have not been asked to close any areas. Therefore we will continue to function as normal. We understand that parents may want to understand more about the support to educational settings to manage RAAC safely. You can read more through the article published by the DfE on the Education Hub.

We will continue to follow any guidance and work with the Archdiocese and DfE with regard to RAAC. We appreciate the concern this may raise, and we will always prioritise the safety of your children and our staff.

I hope that this offers reassurance.

Annual NHS Flu Vaccination Programme

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child/children against flu. The vaccination is a quick and simple spray up the nose – it is also free. Even if your child had it last year, we recommend that they have the flu vaccine again this year.

The link for further information and registration is below.

On **Tuesday 12th September** after school at pick up time a couple of nurses will be available to chat to parents and carers about this Flu vaccination –which is a great opportunity to ask any questions.

I wish you and your families a lovely weekend and enjoy this sunny weather.

Alyson Rigby

Head teacher



Immunisation Consent Forms



officially Vaccinated



Flu 23/24

Click here for
information and to give
consent or decline this
vaccination

Information

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help to protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected.

The nasal spray vaccine contains a very small amount of purified porcine gelatine as an essential ingredient to keep it stable and able to work. For those who may not accept medicines or vaccines that contain porcine gelatine, a flu vaccine injection is available. Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you complete this form please contact the immunisation team

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please complete their consent form giving the reason. This will help us plan and improve the service.

For further information see: www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Please contact the immunisation team if you want to make any changes to your child's form after completing it, or you visit a GP for their flu immunisation.

Please remember it's important to ensure your child has received two doses of MMR and their other routine immunisations. This will ensure they are fully protected against vaccine preventable diseases.

If you have any further queries, please contact the immunisation team, who will be happy to help.

Information in other languages and formats can be accessed via this link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-vaccination-leaflets-and-posters>



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Sparkles and Breakfast Club

Sparkles



After School Club

Come and join the fun!

Sparkles runs from Monday to Friday, between the hours of 3:30 and 5:30pm. The full session costs £5. A reduced, hour long session, costs £3.

If you wish your child to attend, this must be booked and paid for in advance on the online booking system via the parent app.

If you need any more information, please feel free to come into school and ask.



At St Michael's we offer our very own Breakfast Club that provides a safe, nurturing and friendly environment for children who need to have an early start! Our qualified staff will provide generous care and plan stimulating activities for children to choose from.

Opening Times

Monday to Friday 7.45 am – 8.30 am and is located in the Infant Building and can be entered by the Infant Gate. At the end of Breakfast Club children will be taken to class by a member of staff.

If you wish your child to attend the cost is 50p per child. This must be booked and paid in advance on the online booking system via the Parent app .



MEET THE STAFF

2023-2024

Nursery

Shooting Stars

Miss Potter



Reception

Shining Stars

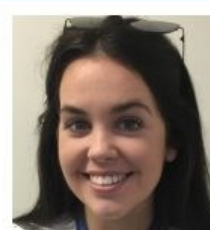
Miss Kormi



Reception

Super Stars

Miss O'Kane



Year 1

Record Breakers

(Miss Potter's old class)

Miss Mc Entee



Year 1

Quick Thinkers

(Miss Turner's old class)

Miss Duncan



Cover

Teacher

Miss Murray

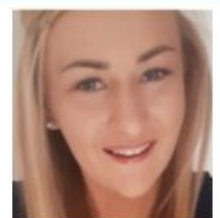


Year 2

Golden Wonders

(Ms Duncan's old class)

Miss Gannon



Year 2

World Beaters

(Miss Mc Entees old class)

Mrs Roscoe

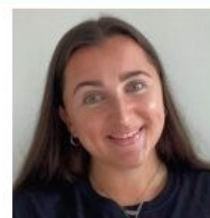


Year 2

World Beaters

(Miss Mc Entees old class)

Miss Sharpes

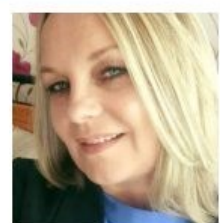


Year 3

Olympians

(Mrs Roscoe's old class)

Ms Gibney



Year 3

Heroes

(Miss O'Kane's old class)

Miss Hollywood



Headteacher

Alyson Rigby



Year 4

Inspirations

(Miss Gannon's old class)

Mrs Forbes

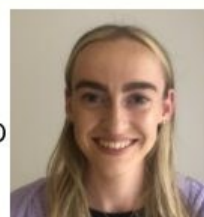


Year 4

Hot Shots

(Miss Hollywood's old class)

Miss O'Brien



Head of

Teaching

and Learning

Mrs Gordon

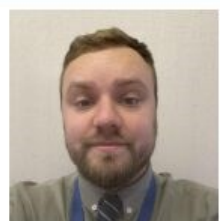


Year 5

High Flyers

(Mrs Forbe's old class)

Mr Ferry



Year 5

High Achievers

(Mr Daley's old class)

Miss Whittaker



Designated

Safeguarding

Lead

Mrs Birch



Year 6

Champions

(Miss Gibney's old class)

Miss Deans



Year 6

Whizz Kids

(Mr Ferry's old class)

Miss Sillitoe



SENCO

Special

Educational

Needs

Coordinator

Mrs Reilly



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PE Days

Year 6 – Whizz Kids & Champions

Both classes - Tuesday

Both classes - swimming kit needed Thursdays,
beginning 14th September

Year 5 – High Achievers & High Flyers

High Achievers – Monday & Friday

High Flyers – Thursday & Friday

Year 4—Inspirations & Hotshots

Both classes—Monday and Friday

Year 3 Olympians and Heroes

Both classes—Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 World Beaters and
Golden Wonders

World Beaters—Monday

Golden Wonders—Thursday

Year 1 Record Breakers &
Quick Thinkers

Both classes Friday

Reception—Shining Stars and
Super Stars

Both classes—Tuesday &
Friday

Nursery—Shooting Stars

Monday

Joy & Happiness

Welcome back to our school far

¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

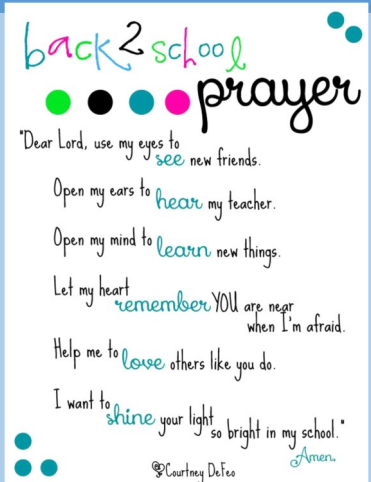
LET YOUR



Light Shine

— MATTHEW 5:16

4th September - Class prayer time



Read the

Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart Newsletters'
and The Wednesday Word



Jaime Cranham
Our Family
Support
Worker

Jamie is available to talk privately about any questions, concerns or issues you may have. Come along for a private chat.

Drop in sessions every Tuesday at 9:00am

Jaime Cranham 07712235803

jaime.cranham@liverpool.gov.uk

or see Mrs Birch

Ask at Reception for further details





Attendance

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	91.4
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	100
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	92.7
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	91
HEROES - YEAR 3	99.2
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	93.2
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	94.4
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	93.1
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	84.3
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	94.2
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	92
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	92.7
Totals	93.1

Well done to the **RECORD BREAKERS** of the Infants, and the **HEROES** of the Juniors, for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

These classes have won this week's mini disco & crisps for best Class attendance. Well done

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Attendance Ladder



Regular attendance at school is the single most important factor in a child/children making appropriate progress and achieving success. Good, regular and punctual attendance means doing well academically, developing better relationships with other children and positive behaviour. It also sets up good habits for when young people enter into work and life.



We aim for average school attendance to be 97%. There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. This graph shows how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In the interest of your child's safety and well being, a named adult needs to be contactable at all times. Please ensure the school has at least 3 up to date telephone numbers. If school are unable to contact you and have concerns we may call the police and request a welfare check.

Can you please call school at the beginning of the day if your child is going to be absent.





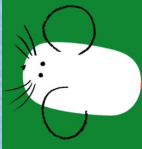
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Safeguarding

NSPCC

**Worried about
a child?**



0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk



**TALK
TO US**

If things are getting to you



116 123

FREE

This number is FREE to call round the clock



jo@samaritans.org



samaritans.org



**Worried about a Child or
Young Person?**

If a child or young person is at
risk of harm, abuse or neglect
please report it to:

CARELINE

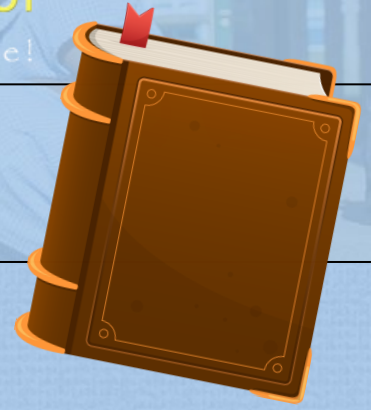
Call 0151 233 3700



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Dates for your Diary/Upcoming Events



Please note these are subject to change or may be added to so please check these events every week!

September

20th - Parents welcome meetings. Time tbc.

25th - Reception phonics meeting for parents. Time tbc

October

19th - School photographs

26th - Harvest Festival

26th - School closes at normal time for half term

November

6th - School opens for Autumn 2

9th Thursday— parents open night

Storytime @ St Michael's

Scan a code, snuggle up and listen to a story!



**Charlie Cook's Favourite
Book by Julia Donaldson
and Axel Scheffler**



**Scan the QR code to
listen to...**

**"Let the Children
March"**

By Monica Clark-Robinson





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Term Dates 2023 -2024

Autumn Term 2023

Term: Monday 4th September – Thursday 21st December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 4th September to Thursday 26th October

Half term: Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 6th November to Thursday 21st December

Terms ends: Thursday 21st December 2023



Spring Term 2024

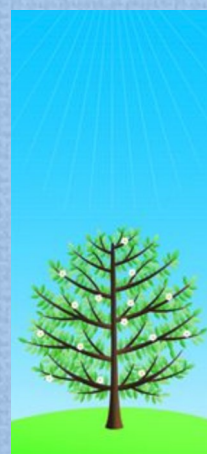
Term: Monday 8th January – Thursday 28th March

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February

Half term: Monday 12th February – Monday 19th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 28th March

Term ends: Thursday 28th March



Summer Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th April to Friday 19th July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 8th April to Friday 24th May

Half term: Monday 27th May to Friday 7th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 10th June to Friday 19th July

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May



Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 27th October

Monday 19th February 2024

Four extended twilight sessions (22nd Dec & 22 July)