

St. Michael's C of E



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Dinner Menu

We will be serving week 2 of the dinner menu on Monday 29th February 2016.

A new dinner menu which commences on 11th April (after Easter holidays) has been issued to pupils today. Please could all menu's be returned to school on Monday 29th February.

Head Teacher's News

E-Safety

Many children spend a lot of time watching vloggers (Video Log) such as Zoella. (Zoella can have over 3 million hits on her uploads!)

Some children chose to emulate these Vloggers, and in doing so without careful thought can leave themselves open to bullying or online grooming by revealing personal details and making videos and comments available to anyone.

This is not illegal but the minimum age to create a Youtube account is 13. Having an account for a younger child breaks the terms and conditions of the site. It is not possible to upload videos without creating an account.

The following links provide additional information for parents and teachers :-

https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/2802272?hl=en-GB&ref_topic=2803240 and

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safety-tools/youtube>

Extract from YouTube Website - Parent Resources

We understand that parents and guardians sometimes have questions about children's behaviour online. We've put together some tools and resources to help you manage your family's experience on YouTube.

What age does my child need to be to use YouTube?

In order to create a YouTube account, you must confirm that you're at least 13 years old. If a video is flagged and we find that the uploader inaccurately stated their age during the account creation process we will terminate their account.

School News

Monday 22nd February until Friday 4th March - Fairtrade Fortnight

To celebrate and participate in Fairtrade Fortnight we will be selling Fairtrade juice, cereal bars and biscuits during break time and after school from week beginning Monday 22nd February. Items are all 50p each and pupils will be limited to one juice and one biscuit or sweets at break time. Please send money into school with your child if you would like them to purchase items at break time and we will also be selling them from 3.15 - 3.30pm after school each day.

W/C 29th February - Dr Seuss Day / Poetry Week

All pupils will be covering poetry in their literacy this week which will include reference to books by Dr Seuss.

Tuesday 1st March - Tag Rugby Tournament

We will be taking two teams (10 pupils) from class 4 to Whitworth Park on Tuesday 1st March to take part in a Tag-Rugby tournament. Pupils will be told in advance who will be taking part. Pupils will require their full PE kit with warm outdoor clothing as well as their water-bottle from the classroom. Pupils taking part who normally receive school dinners on this day will be given a school packed lunch to take with them. We will leave school by coach at 9am and return at 3pm and a member of staff will be present with them at all times.

Wednesday 2nd March - Netball Team to the Finals

Congratulations to our Team A of netball players who came second out of 10 schools in the tournament this week. We have qualified to take part in the finals which will be played at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College on Wednesday 2nd March. Pupils in the team will again require a PE Kit and warm outdoor clothing as well as their water-bottle from the classroom. Pupils who normally receive a school dinner will be provided with a school packed lunch to have upon their return at 1.00pm. Good luck.

Friday 4th March - World Book Day

Children across the school will be able to dress up as their favourite character from a story book. Further activities will be ongoing all day.

Friday 4th March - World Grammar Day

Children will be taking part in extra grammar activities on this day.

Friday 4th March - Reception Mothers Tea Party in School

Reception pupils Mam's (or Grandma's if mam is not able to attend) are invited into school at 2.30pm on Friday 4th March to attend our Reception Mother's Day Tea Party. We have cakes, made by our children, and a drink of juice for all to enjoy.

w/c 7th March - Go Green Week, Including Climate Change

Children will be taking part in activities and discussions around fossil fuel usage.

Wednesday 9th March - Y1 and Y2 to Football Festival

We will be taking Year 1 and Year 2 pupils to the Alun Armstrong in Shildon on Wednesday 9th March to take part in various football activities. Pupils will require their full PE kit with warm clothing, as it can be cold inside the centre, as well as their water-bottle from the classroom. Pupils will be back in time for school lunch.

Thursday 10th March - Learn to Ride

Further details to follow next week.

Friday 11th March - Decorate and Easter Egg/Tree

Parents or grandparents or carers are invited to work with their children from 2pm to decorate an Easter egg in school. Please bring your own hard-boiled egg and decorations.

Diary Dates

The full diary date for this academic year is available on our school website. Please note these dates are subject to change.

w/c 22nd February to 4th March - Fairtrade fortnight

w/c 29th February - Dr Seuss / Poetry week

1st March - Tag Rugby Tournament

2nd March - Team A to play in the netball finals

4th March - World Book Day

4th March - World Grammar Day

7th March - Go Green Week, including Climate Change

9th March - Y1/2 to Alun Armstrong Centre in Shildon for Football Festival

10th March - Learn to Ride

11th March - Decorate and Easter Egg / Tree Day

Happy Birthday to....

Harris M, William J

Attendance 22nd - 26th February

R	100%
Y1	99%
Y2	99%
Y3	100%
Y4	98%
Y5	90%
Y6	98%

Stars of the Week

- Class 1** Luke, Scarlett, Lola
(Reception)
- Class 2** Jake, Nicole, Lily,
(Year 1 and Year 2) Fern
- Class 3** Holly, Cate, Evie,
(Year 3 and Year 4) Beatrice
- Class 4** Emily S, Max G, Anna,
(Year 5 and Year 6) Max D

