ST. MICHAEL'S C.E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL "I have come that everyone may have life and have it to the full (John10:10)



Newsletter 2 – Autumn Term 2014 Friday 12th September

It has been lovely to meet you all at the class parents meeting. I trust you found them informative. It has been an excellent start to the new school year.

May I remind you of the following.

- Detail of the National Curriculum expectations for your child's year group are on the school website, www.st-michaels.trafford.sch.uk.
- Year 2 and 6 are the last year of children who will receive a SAT level. In the future children will be judged as at, below or exceeding year group expectations.
- We are now only allowed to administer prescribed medicine to the children.

NEWS

Congratulations to Mrs Rodger who is due a baby in February. She will be with us until the end of the year and is planning to return late in the summer term.

We are taking part in a Read 2 Dog programme run by the charity Pets As Therapy. It is designed to encourage reading in younger children. A parent will come into school with their dog and listen to children read. The parents of the children who are taking part in this initiative will be informed by letter. We do, however, need to know if any child in the school is allergic to dogs so please inform the school office if this is the case.

MICHAELMAS FAIR - SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2014

Many thanks to the PTA who have planned an excellent event which has something for all the family. There are some amazing raffle prizes including family tickets to Lego Land, Gulliver's World, Laser Quest and Bowling.

REMINDERS

- Please fill in the forms for the balloon tickets.
- Please hand in any old uniform for the uniform sale.
- If you have any SMA milk tins the PTA would like them.
- Your PTA also needs you as a volunteer! We would be grateful for any help to man stalls even for an hour on the day.

NON-UNIFORM DAY - FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2014

Each class is being asked to bring in donations for the fair on our non-uniform day. These are as follows:

Nursery	Chocolates, toffees etc
Reception	Toys
Year1	Good as New (unwanted gifts/unopened toiletries etc)
Year 2	Chocolates, toffees etc
Year 3	Good as New (unwanted gifts/unopened toiletries etc)
Year4	Toys
Year 5	Bottles
Year 6	Bottles

DATES

Due to work commitments Mrs Lucas is unavailable on Friday 10th October for our Harvest Festival and Friday 7th November for Remembrance Centenary Service World War 1. As a result both services have been moved. <u>Our Harvest Festival</u> will now take place on <u>Thursday 9th October at 2.30 p.m.</u> and the <u>Remembrance Service</u> will take place on <u>Thursday 6th November at 2.30 p.m.</u>

Saturday 13th September 2014

This is Heritage Day and the church will be open between 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. There will be guided tours of the churchyard and trips up the bell tower. The parish registers will be on display along with grave records and old photographs. Refreshments will be served throughout the day. All are welcome

Sunday 14th September

We are having a special Back to School Service at St. Michael's Church for all parents, staff, teachers and children. Mrs Drayton will be speaking at the service which starts at 4.00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there for what we hope will become a regular fixture in our church calendar.

Friday 26th September

School will be running a MacMillan Coffee Morning. So many families have benefitted from Macmillan support, including my own. Please bring any donations of cakes to school on Thursday 25th or Friday 26th September. Please come and have a cup of coffee with us between 9.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. Mrs Gallagher is running the event and we would love some parent helpers to serve the tea and coffee. Please let the office know if you can help.

AND FINALLY

We are running a competition to decide who will release the balloons for the balloon race. In 140 characters "Tweet" below, in as witty a way as possible, why you should be the one to release the balloons. The best entries will be tweeted on the website. Please return to the school office.

Alison Drayton Head Teacher	
Balloon Race – Tweet	
Name:	Class: