



# St Michael's Academy

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## NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2013



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Welcome to the October newsletter. By now our new pupils in Year 3, and any who have joined us in other years should be happy and settled. Please come and tell us if that is not the case. With only 3 weeks left until we break up for half term it is full speed ahead in here, as it is I am sure for you. We try to give our families as much notice as possible for forthcoming events as well as the weekly events so that you can help organise the children as much as possible. I hope this is helping you to help them.

### PARKING:



I have been horrified by the selfish and inconsiderate behaviour of a small group of parents who insist their needs are more important than the safety and wellbeing of our children and continue to park on the zig zag lines. Both Mrs House and myself worked tirelessly to get the lines painted on the road and it has not made one bit of difference. Children are being forced to dodge between traffic to cross the road and when parents and staff remonstrate with those parents, we are sworn at and abused. I would like to say a huge thank you to those of you who walk to school and who park properly in order not to upset our neighbours! To those of you who don't, and we all know who you are, when a child is injured or indeed killed, you will have that on your conscience.

I would encourage all of you to keep a piece of paper and a pen in your pocket and write down the registration numbers of the offenders and either report them to the police or bring the numbers in to school and I will.

## CROSS COUNTRY



Well done to all of the cross country runners who took part in the first run of the season at the Rugby club this week. All runners did particularly well

Leon Bolton-Lodge	Cortez Barton	Morgan Russell
Ariadne Swain	Charlize Williams	Summer Lloyd
Ben Zebedee	Callum Rice	Makenzie Lampett
Chloe Pippard	Kaylie Lavender	Ciaran Lucas
Zahari Murdzhev	Hugo Rodrigues	Alex Gherman
Jamie Lucas	Nupur Kunkur	Annabel Eke
Megan Eke	Maisy Brooks	Holly Cutts

with Ethan Cashen, (Year 3) and Jacob Stafford (Year 6) coming 34<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> respectively. A huge achievement.

If you wish to order photographs please send money into school By Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2013.



### Applying for a place at secondary school:

It seems an awfully long way away but it will whizz by. The deadline for applications to be received is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2013. Parents will be notified of outcome on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. If you have not received a letter please go to [www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions) or ring Somerset Direct on 08454564038

### Dates for your diary:

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival in the church at 2pm. All parents welcome.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October Parents Evening. 3.30 -6.30 – See Below

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening. 3.30pm-5pm. – See Below

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October Celebration assembly 2pm in the hall. All parents welcome.

***We break up today*** and return to school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Tuesday 5th November ***Return to school.***

### PARENTS EVENING

Please complete the slip attached, with your preferred times and dates, and the class teachers will get back to you. We will do all we can to accommodate you and put siblings as close together as we can.

If you would like to book a time to see Mrs Ogden our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator a booking slip is also attached.

## INSPIRED TO ACHIEVE

*FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES* – Inspired to Achieve are a local training provider who work in primary and secondary schools throughout South Somerset. Over the October half term, they will be running crafting and sporting activities for families to take part in together (minimum 1 parent and 1 child). Book your place now for these FREE fun and exciting sessions!



### **Timetable:**

Monday, 28 October	Glass painting and making tea light holders. Multi-sport.
Tuesday, 29 October	Creative play, fun and activities
Wednesday, 30 October	Greeting card designing and making Discovering Ham Hill and picnic
Thursday, 31 October	Halloween mask making
Friday 1 November	Baking – Cup cakes Multi-sports

Various venues will be in and around the ham Hill area and all sessions will be run from 10am – 1pm. Squash, biscuits and fruit are included. *All activities are free of charge.*

For more information and to book your places please contact Fi Morris: [fi@inspiredtoacheive.co.uk](mailto:fi@inspiredtoacheive.co.uk) Tel: 07988 643055 or 01935 420097

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### ANNUAL PANTOMIME VISIT

This year the whole school visit to the Pantomime at the Octagon Theatre is to see *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves on 16 December*. The cost is £10 per child and is a wonderful start to the Christmas season for the children. More details will follow along with the consent forms. I know things are tight this year but this is one of the most wonderful treats for the children and could constitute a Christmas present.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR

This year the Christmas Fair will be on *Saturday, 7 December* between 10am – 12 noon. There will be unique, affordable and special gifts from local makers and businesses, refreshments and gifts made by the children. More details to follow.

Thank you to all of you who continue to work with us to ensure that school and home are settled, calm and happy. The children have had a super return to school and are a credit to you all.

Judith.





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## Parent Consultation Evenings – SENCO APPOINTMENTS

### Mrs Ogden – Special Educational Needs Coordinator

Name: ..... Class: .....

Please tick two preferred time slots:

#### Wednesday, 23rd October 2013

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