



# Friday Flyer

## 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a fantastic half term. It has been wonderful to see the children return in such a positive mind frame. I would like to thank all of you who sent in fancy dress photographs and I will be catching up with the children during the early part of next week with some edible rewards.

The spelling bee took place earlier today and congratulations to all who took part and to those who were successful this morning. As always St Michael's continues to be a very busy and vibrant school. On the afternoon of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November we will be opening up the school for all of our current parents and any prospective parents who might be sending their children to St Michael's in September 2019. This will be a wonderful opportunity for you all to come and meet the senior leadership team and I who are working tirelessly to improve the school. You will also have the opportunity to tour the school with some of our Year 6 pupils and gain a slightly better insight into what we are doing. I look forward to seeing many of you for a cup of coffee or tea on Monday afternoon.

I am incredibly proud of the progress that the school and staff have made over the past year but want you to know that the leadership team and I are constantly looking at ways to enhance the education of your children. Whilst raising standards of attainment is still paramount, we want to enrich the educational experiences of our pupils and serve the needs of our community. Strategically we are currently looking at our curriculum and exploring ways that it can be enhanced and developed.

The football team had a great experience at Buckler's Mead Academy on Monday and contested many tight matches. All of the children had a great time even though our last match was decided by the dreaded penalty shoot out which unfortunately didn't go our way. Thank you to Mr Shire for taking the team.

November is a very exciting time for me personally as many of you know I have a passion for rugby. England host New Zealand at 3pm tomorrow with the main event kicking off between Wales and Australis at 5.20pm in Cardiff. Good luck to all the home nations and 'dod ar Cymru'. (Come on Wales)

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Yours sincerely

**Matt Vella**  
**Head Teacher**  
**St Michael's Academy**

## Dates for the Term Ahead

### November

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Afternoon at St Michaels 1.30pm – 5pm Football tournament at Bucklers Mead 3.30 – 5pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Can-Do football tournament at Bucklers Mead 1 – 4pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need – Wear Spots for £1
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5/6 football tournament at Bucklers Mead 3.30 – 5pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Year 5 trip Inter Film Trip to Cineworld PTA Bingo at 6pm
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3/4 football tournament at Bucklers Mead
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	U11 EFL Cup at Bucklers Mead 11 – 3pm

### December

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Girls football tournament at Bucklers Mead 3.30 – 5pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas POD Week
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Performance at 6pm – Parents invited to attend
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fayre at 2.30pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Pop-up pantomime in school – £1 non uniform day
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Church service time tbc – Parents invited to attend <b>School finishes at 12.30pm</b>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Inset Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Holidays
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Inset Day
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school

## Safeguarding

Safeguarding means - Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment, preventing harm to children's health or development and ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care.

**Designated Safeguard Lead - Matt Vella**  
**Deputy DSL - Julia Martin**  
**Deputy DSL - Cara Compton-Foster**

## Children in Need

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November children are to wear spots for a £1 contribution. Please remember to still send children in with their coats and in suitable shoes.



## Cleaner Vacancy

St Michael's Academy are looking for a cleaner for 10 hours, Monday to Friday 3.30pm-5.30pm, term time only plus 5 weeks working during the holidays, to be agreed with the School Business Manager.

Grade 15, SCP 9-13 (£16,755 - £17,391) pro rata

There will be a probationary period of 6 months. The successful applicant will be working with 2 very experienced cleaners, who will be able to offer their knowledge of the school and training.

Please visit [www.stmichaelsacademy.co.uk](http://www.stmichaelsacademy.co.uk), School Information, Vacancies for a copy of an application form and full job description. Please complete the application form and email it to [swhatmore@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:swhatmore@educ.somerset.gov.uk) by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November, close of play. We will advise shortlisted applicants of the interview dates and times when finalised.

If you require any further information, please contact Sharon Whatmore, School Business Manager, on 01935 315462.

## Halloween

Thank you for all your lovely halloween photos, you all looked like you had a spooktacular time.



## Poppy Display

Please come and see our lovely Poppy Display that the staff and children have worked hard on.



## Spelling Bee

Well done to all those who took part in the spelling bee today, you all did amazingly. The overall winners were for year 3 Nathan M, Year 4 Oliver L, Year 5 Carmen E and Year 6 Kieran C. Well done to you all.



## St Michael's Leadership Team

Our Senior Leadership Team are always on hand to meet to discuss any concerns that you may have. Please contact the school office on 01935 423863.

