



14th October 2019

Message from the Head Teacher

Hello all.

It has been another enjoyable week here at St Michael's. The highlight for me was watching Year One's outside Art lesson. They were looking at how colour is used in Art to show the mood of the subject.

It was a fantastic lesson given by Mrs Jakhu and Mrs Begum.



We have had three cases of Hand, Foot and Mouth in Year One. This is a common childhood illness and is not something that you need to worry about. However, it is contagious therefore if you notice any symptoms in your child then please take them to see a pharmacist or your GP. Common symptoms are a rash and or blisters in the mouth, on the hands and or feet; a high temperature and not wanting to eat. Further information can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease/>.

Homework books have been ordered and your child will have them next week. I was hoping that more families would purchase them so that children had both written and online homework. You would also have immediate feedback as to how your child is progressing with work that they have studied that week. However, for those families that have not purchased homework books, children will still receive online home. They should all have their own log ins for Timestables Rockstars, Spellodrome and Oxford Reading Tree.



Black History Month Celebrations will take place on **Wednesday 23rd October**. It will be a fun-packed day of activities celebrating the achievements of people of colour and their contributions to the world. We will be starting with an assembly at 9.00am which you are of course invited to. Children can also dress in red, yellow, green and black to represent the Pan African colours. We hope to see you there.

Diwali celebrations will take place on **Friday 25th October**. Year 5 and 6 will be conducting the assembly and it would be great to see you there. Children again will take part in cooking, dancing, art and music activities and will finish with a class party. Lists for food contributions will be sent home nearer the time. Your child can also dress up that day for the party.



Our attendance target is 96%.

The attendance figures for week ending

Friday 4 October 2019:

Reception	100%
Y1	97.9%
Y2	91.4%
Y3	95.1%
Y4	99.3%
Y5	95.4%
Y6	92%

Reception - September 2020

If your child is due to start Reception class in September 2020, please visit

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions and submit an online application by 15 January 2020.

Important dates for your Diary

Celebration book

Year 1 - Harnor

Year 2 - Chigo

Year 3 - Diya

Year 4 - Shazza

Year 5 - Mariah

Year 6 - Soraiya

Head Teacher's Award: Jayda

Parents are welcome to attend the Celebration Assembly on Friday mornings at 9:00 am.

Dates	Event
Monday 14th October 2019	Y3 Swimming
Tuesday 15th October 2019	9am-10am Maths workshop for parents
Friday 18th October 2019	Y5 Swimming
Tuesday 22 October 2019	Photographer in School– individual and siblings
Friday 25 October 2019	School closes at 1.15pm for half-term
Monday 4 November 2019	School opens
Thursday 7 November 2019	9am-10am Coffee morning
Wednesday 27th November 2019	Nasal Flu vaccine

DINNER MONEY

Please ensure your child's dinner money is in a sealed envelope with their name, class and amount and handed to their class Teacher.

Reminders

Emergency contact details: Are your details up-to-date? Or do you have an alternative number that we can use in an emergency. Please let the office know.

MAGIC BREAKFAST CLUB

Please note Breakfast is served between 8am-8.30am. Therefore if you wish your child to attend they will need to be signed in by 8.30.

Any child arriving before 8am will need to wait with their adult until 8am and then sign in at the school office.

Did you know ... free breakfast bagels are available **EVERY** morning. No child should start the day hungry. Bagels are available everyday in breakfast club or at the main entrance.

School Term dates

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Term Starts: Thursday 5 September 2019

School closed: Monday 28 October 2019 to Friday 1 November 2019

Term starts: Monday 4 November 2019

School closed: Monday 23 December 2019 to Friday 3 January 2020

SPRING TERM 2020

Term Starts: Monday 6 January 2020.

School closed: Monday 17 February 2020 to Friday 21 February 2020

Term starts: Monday 24 February 2020

School closed: Monday 6 April 2020 to Friday 17 April 2020

SUMMER TERM 2020

Term Starts: Monday 20 April 2020

School closed: Friday 8 May (May day bank holiday)

School closed: Monday 25 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020

Term starts: Monday 1 June 2020
School closes on Monday 20 July 2020