



**UPCOMING
 DIARY DATES**

PLEASE ADD DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

AND

Monday, 4th September 2017
 INSET Day, SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday, 5th September 2017
 INSET Day, SCHOOL CLOSED

Wednesday, 6th September 2017
 Year 1 to 6 children begin school
 Nursery Stay and Play sessions

Thursday, 7th September 2017
 Year 5 PGL Information Meeting, 6pm

Thursday, 14th September 2017
 Reception settling in session (see letter)

Presentation for Year 5&6 parents, Mr J. McNulty, Headteacher, St. Paul's Catholic College, 7.00pm-8.00pm

Friday, 15th September 2017
 Reception settling in session (see letter)

Monday, 18th September 2017
 New Reception children start, 10.00am
 Year 5 leave for PGL

Wednesday, 21st September 2017
 Year 5 return from PGL

Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents, It's hard to believe we are almost at the end of the year but here we are with only one week to go! I am very pleased to share a summary of our statutory assessment results this year (attached). These include the end of Reception judgement of a 'Good Level of Development', the Phonics Screening, Year 2 SATs and Year 6 SATs. Please have a look at the summary, which will also be uploaded to our [website](#). Some of the national averages and progress scores have not yet been released but you can see that, once again, our children have exceeded national levels of attainment. Some points to note are: The 'Good Level of Development' at the end of Reception is, once again, well above the national average; the **phonics** screening pass rate is 97%. This is equal to last years' results, which placed us in the top 8% of all schools, nationally. The **Key Stage 1 SATs** results are strong once again with another set of high results. The **Key Stage 2 SATs** results were also very strong this year. The first point to note is that there has been a sharp rise in the national average of 5% in each subject and 8% in the combined pass rate. The proportion of pupils reaching the expected standard, reaching a high standard and our average point scores are improved since last year in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. The proportion meeting the expected standard in Science is also 91%. We are very confident that our progress scores will be improved on last year but this will not be confirmed until the data release in September. We are extremely proud of these results. Our children have worked incredibly hard over many years to achieve them and so have the staff and parents. It is extremely reassuring to know that our children are being so well educated at Saint Michael's. Well done us!

Last Friday's Summer Fayre was a huge success. We have received great feedback from you. Many of you thought it was a very pleasant atmosphere and lots of fun. A huge thank you to Mr Buckley, our singer, DJ and compere for the evening and to all of the other parents and staff that helped set up the stalls, run them and pack away. It was a huge team effort and lots of people worked incredibly hard. We managed to raise **£5,370** which is remarkable for a relatively short evening event.

Over the month of July, please remember to vote for our '**Break Bus**' project in the local TESCO stores (once again!). We hope to win the grant to buy and refurbish a double decker bus for the children to 'break out' and use during the school day. Please vote!! We still await news about our last 'Talking Treetops' project but we think we did very well. With these grants and the fantastic efforts of the PTA, we will continue to develop our play offer for children next year.

At this time of year, we prepare to say farewell and good luck to some of our staff. From our teaching team, Miss Lewis will be leaving us and moving to Abu Dhabi to pursue her teaching career in the sunshine! Miss Geary and Miss Adams are also leaving to travel the world for a year and Miss Yuen is relocating and will continue teaching at a school nearer her new home. Miss Deane, one of our teaching assistants, has successfully completed her teaching degree and will begin her teaching career at a school local to her home. As you know Mrs Brown, our School Crossing Patrol Officer, will be leaving. Mrs Holmes has worked in a variety of roles over many years, most recently as Head Cleaner but is leaving to pursue another career and Miss Farrelly, one of our cleaners, is also leaving us. I would like to thank all these members of staff for their contribution to our school community during their years of service. All of the teachers that are leaving have spent the initial years of their teaching career here at St. Michael's and the children they have taught have benefitted from their superb teaching. Each one will be sorely missed but we wish them all the very best for the future. I am very pleased to tell you that we will be welcoming Miss Berry back as a class teacher next year, after her year spent teaching in Dubai and Miss Amormino will be starting with us in September as a Newly Qualified Teacher. As you know, the children will get to meet their new teachers on Monday and you will receive their written report and any test results in the afternoon.

A final word for our Year 6 pupils. Seeing you all perform in the production of The Little Mermaid reminded us all of how much you have grown and how much you have learnt. We are proud of the children you are and the young adults you will go on to be. Congratulations for your production this week and congratulations for the SATs results you will receive on Monday. We wish you all the very best at secondary school and will look forward to welcoming you back to visit us in the future. Remember, you will always be Saint Michael's! For the families that are staying with us, I do hope you have a wonderful summer. On behalf of all of the staff, thank you for your continuing support and I look forward to seeing you in September. Mr Lane

Leavers Mass

We will be celebrating mass for the children and staff that are leaving us on Wednesday at 10.45am in the school hall. Year 6 parents are welcome to join us.

District Sports by Margaret, Jamie and Meghan

This morning, we went to the District Sports competition at Osterley Leisure Centre. There were 5 schools competing in relays, throwing, sprinting, long jump and long distance running. We got a medal if won our event and points for where we finished. All the points are added up and we got 147. This meant WE WON!!!! WELL DONE ST MICHAEL'S!!

School Uniform—a message from SANCO

If you are planning to buy new school uniform over the summer holidays, please do not leave it until the last week of the holidays—the SANCO store will be extremely busy!

Summer Holiday Football Camps

We will be hosting 3 football camps this summer. 2 will be run by Sports Focus and 1 will be run by PDA Coaching. There are two flyers with full details attached. Dates are: Football Focus: Mon, 31st July—Friday, 4th August
 PDA Coaching: Mon, 7th August—Thursday, 10th August
 Football Focus: Tuesday, 29th Aug—Friday, 1st September

Next week, we will be following menu 2

