St Michael and All Angels Catholic Primary @smaaanews www.smaaanews.com Friday 18th June 2021

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The end of term will be here before we know it so we are making the most of every minute we have in school with the children. I have been so proud of the children in Year 3 who have had to self-isolate but have engaged every day with learning. They have attended Miss McCallion's live daily lessons and reading sessions with Mrs Brassey as well as completing all the tasks set on SEESAW. They have been so

good all week despite the fact they could not go out with their friends or do the things they want. We will be delighted to have them back with us in

school from Monday. This week in school, we have enjoyed Sports Days, a

theatre production, a Year 5 class trip to Arrowe Park, a virtual visit to the Harry Potter studios for Year 6, lots of outdoor learning and generally lots of other exciting things. Alongside these lovely activities, our Year 6

children have sat several tests. Again, we are so pleased

at how hard the children worked and we explained that this was their opportunity to shine and show us everything they have learnt over their time at St Michael's. They definitely did themselves proud.





Covid-19 **PCR Test**

DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL IF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY HAVE **SYMPTOMS OF COVID 19** - i. e. a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss or change to your sense of smell. Please inform school & book a test straight away and contact

School as soon as you receive your results. If a child displays symptoms of Covid 19 they need to have a PCR TEST. Lateral flow tests are not encouraged for younger children.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE COST OF A SCHOOL DINNER HAS INCREASED TO £2.34

Wednesday 30th June – Year 6 Trip to Barnstondale Friday 2nd July – Transition Day

Saturday 3rd July – Year 4 First Holy Communion at 10am Tuesday 6th July – MOVIE NIGHTS

Thursday 8th July – Year 6 'Afternoon Tea' in Liverpool Tuesday 13th July – Foundation Stage Festival Day Thursday 15th July -Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm & Disco 6pm

Well done to F₂ again for the best attendance this week!



F1 - 98.7%

F2 - 99.1% Y1 - 88.4% Y2 - 98.2% Y4 - 95%. Y5 - 98.2% Y6 -91.5%

Playground - We have been investing in our playtimes and use of the playground space. You may have noticed the new playground markings we have had put down and we have spent money on new playground equipment and games. This combined with the good weather has definitely made playtimes much happier for the children!

Over the next few weeks, we are hoping to look into some additional seating for the children.



MOVIE NIGHT – THURSDAY 6th July – we will be having 'class bubble' movie nights to raise money for outdoor seating and benches. We will send home a letter next week with all the details.



Social Media: Please be vigilant regarding your child's online activity. We have had an increasing number of issues relating to Tik Tok, House Party and WhatsApp. It is really important that our pupils are not left

unsupervised online and should also adhere to the age ratings for guidance. There are lots of useful tips and information on the ESafety page on oue school website.

Warm weather:
Please could you
make sure that
sun cream is
applied to your
child before they arrive in
school. Children can also bring
in a sun cap with them to wear
during playtimes.



It has been a very disruptive year so it has only been fair to be flexible with any families whose children have outgrown school shoes, appropriate PE clothing etc. at this late stage. From September, we would like to ensure that our high standards of dress and appearance, including hairstyles resumes. The wearing of colourful trainers for school will not be permitted. Wearing black school shoes is expected of all children. There will be a

standard school PE kit introduced that will need to be worn by all children. Thank you for your continued support.

Sports Day was enjoyed by everyone. We are so sorry it had to happen without parents but I can promise you the children all displayed St Michael's values and showed good sportsmanship although we still enjoy seeing the competitive streak come out! There are lots and lots of photos on Twitter so please take a look.





In this Sunday's Gospel we listen to how Jesus calmed the storm. This is one of my favourite Gospels and one I used with the staff on the INSET day in September. The past 18 months have been the craziest of storms for us all. Pope Francis said 'Like the disciples in the Gospel we were caught off guard by an unexpected, turbulent storm, we realised that we are all on the same boat, all of us fragile and disorientated and each of us in need of comforting the other.' What Pope Francis was saying was that during the crisis - on this boat was all of us and we realised we couldn't go on thinking of ourselves but only together could we get through this. And this is indeed what happened in our own school community. The staff have been beyond amazing over the last 18 months putting the needs of the school and pupils in it before themselves and their own

families. As families you have been so supportive & understanding even though at times you have been as frustrated with the late notice and decision making as we have! Let's hope the 'calm' really is coming.

Please stay safe everyone and enjoy your weekend. Mrs Ralph