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Activation of ParentPay Accounts



Activation codes will be issued to all children in Nursery. We would kindly ask that you activate your accounts over the weekend, as it is extremely important that you are able to access information and make payments sent through this platform.

Please remember that if you already have an activate ParentPay account for any siblings you should use the 'add a child' facility on their account to register your young child. If you have any difficulties with this request, please contact the office.

ParentPay

Children continue enjoy choosing their own meals at lunchtime. We continue to ask that you simply confirm that your child will be having a school meal via your ParentPay account and clicking on 'book a meal' – do not forget to scroll to the bottom of the page to 'confirm bookings'.

Please remember that no payment is required for meals at this time.

After School Clubs

Our autumn term after school clubs listing have been emailed out this week. They will commence on **Monday 16th September through until Thursday 19th December 2024.**

Autumn Term After School Clubs 2024

Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding officer: Mrs Duggan. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the Designated Safeguarding Officers to seek further advice. I am very aware that during the past six months the personal circumstances of many families may have changed. If you feel that there is something that your child's teacher or I should know, please do make contact and let us know. Parents will often share a concern with me and end by saying, "I'm sorry for wasting your time with this." This is not the case. If there is anything, we want to know as we are here to help.

Diary Dates

29/09 - Feast Day of St Gabriel (Yr1)
01/10 - The Month of the Rosary Begins
01/10 – Black History Month Begins
03/10 - National Poetry Day
04/10 - 5G Swimming
05/10 - Feast Day of St Faustina (Yr6)
11/10 - 5O Swimming
11/10 - 6L Assembly 9.30am
16/10 - Feast Day of St Gerard (Yr6)
18/10 - 5G Swimming
18/10 - 6S Assembly 9.30am
21/10 - Individual and Sibling Pictures
24/10 - 5G Assembly 9.30am
24/10 - Mufti Day - School Finishes @ 3.30pm
25/10 – INSET Day
28/10 - 01/11 - Half Term Holidays
04/11 - Autumn Term 2 Commences
08/11 - 5O Assembly 9.30am
08/11 - 5O Swimming
11/11 - Maths Week England
11/11 - Parents Evening (In School) 5pm - 7.30pm
12/11 - Parents Evening (School Cloud) 4pm - 6.30pm
15/11 - TTRS Day (Times Table Rock Stars) Mufti Day
15/11 - 4F Assembly 9.30am - Anti Bullying
15/11 - 5G Swimming
22/11 - 4M Assembly 9.30am - Advent
22/11 - 5O Swimming



Annual Year Group Curriculum Talks

Thank you to all parents / carers who attended these meetings. We hope that you found them informative. Please note that if you were unable to attend, the presentations have been uploaded to the school website.

Pupil Premium / Free School Meals

If your family financial circumstance have changed in the last year and you feel that you may now be entitled to receive the Pupil Premium Grant please use the link below to make your application to the London Borough of Hounslow.

[Pupil Premium Grant Link](#)

School Uniform

A polite reminder that *all* uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Please also note the following uniform requirements:

- Boys should wear **grey** socks only.
- Girls may wear either long white socks or white ankle socks with the summer dress however ankle socks are not permitted with the winter uniform.
- Girls should wear long white socks or green/white tights with the winter uniform. Tights should not be worn with summer dresses.

Trainer socks school not be worn by either girls or boys at **any time**. 'School shoes' should be shoes that can take polish, trainers are not allowed. All school shoes should be black.

Fashion hair-cuts and jewellery (including earrings) are not permitted. Please use this link to review our current school uniform policy if you are unsure of any of our school requirements: [Uniform Policy](#). Summer uniform may be worn up until the October half term, **Thursday 23rd October 2024**.

Please ensure that all uniform is labelled. We cannot be held responsible for lost uniform, especially when it is not labelled. If your child takes someone else's uniform home, please return it promptly.

Autumn Term PE Days

Children must wear their PE kit into school on the respective day each week. There are times, that due to diary requirements, days may be swapped. If this is the case, your Class Teachers will advise you of this:

Mondays – Year 6

Tuesdays – Year 2 and Year 3

Wednesdays – Year 4 and Year 5

Thursdays – Year 1

Fridays - Reception

REMINDER : Rosary and Lunchtime Gardening Club October : The Month of the Rosary

Mr Marston will continue to run our lunchtime gardening club each Thursday. This club is offered to all children in years 4 - 6 (with Year 3 joining after Christmas if they wish). This club is offered **free** of charge with tools and gloves provided. Children may bring in old trainers to change into if they wish.

Mr Marston will also be leading the Rosary in our Prayer Garden every Monday and Friday for children in Yr 3 to 6 during morning break at 10.30am. All children in these year groups are welcome and may bring in their rosary beads if they so wish, although this is not a requirement of attendance.

This is a wonderful opportunity for children to take some time out of their busy day to reflect in a peaceful, calm area whilst building their confidence in saying the rosary.

Daily Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness or appointments, please ensure that you report their absence each day **before 9.15am**.

You can leave a message on our 24 hour absent line on **020 8572 9658** or alternatively you can send us an e-mail on: absence@stmichaelrc.hounslow.sch.uk.

If you are using the absence line, please ensure that you speak **clearly leaving your name, your child's name, their class and a brief description of why they are absent**. Simply advising us that your child is 'unwell' is not acceptable. Messages are very hard to decipher and on occasions are impossible to understand when there is lots of background noise. Please bear this in mind.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Year 5 – Swimming Lesson

Yr5 have now commenced their block of swimming lessons. This information has been emailed to you and your child was also given a hard copy of this. Please use the link below to remind yourselves of the relevant dates for your child:

[UPDATED Yr5 Swimming Letter - Autumn Term 2024](#)

Annual Permission & Contacts & Permission to use Images Google Forms 2024

Two Google Forms have been sent out in relation to the above topics. Thank you to those families who have already completed and submitted their responses. Your prompt reply is much appreciated.

Please find noted below links to all year group forms sent:

[Yr1 Emergency Contacts & Pick Up Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr1 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr2 Emergency Contacts & Pick Up Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr2 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr3 Emergency Contact & Pick Up Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr3 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr4 Emergency Contact & Pick Up Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr4 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr5 Emergency Contact & Pick Up Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr5 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr6 Emergency Contact Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

[Yr6 Permissions Google Form 2024 - 2025](#)

Welcome to our School Family

Our Nursery classes have now completed their phased entry into school. We welcome all children, parents and carers into our school family and look forward to watching you grow and enjoy many wonderful learning experiences over the coming months and years.

FINAL REMINDER : Yr6 Kingswood Residential Trip – June 2025

Just a reminder that the deposit payment request is now available on your ParentPay account. All deposits must be received by 27th September 2024.

Please refer to our recent letter for full details :

[Yr6 Kingswood Residential Trip June 2025](#)

Water Bottles

Please **do not** send hot water into school in your child's water bottle especially if they are using the metal chilli type bottles. Water can remain hot in these bottles for a considerable length of time and could cause harm to your child.

Annuals Charge Payment Requests 2024 / 2025

A letter outlining how all details relating to these payment requests has been sent out to all families. These letters explain the breakdown of how these monies are used and how monies can be paid over the academic year. Please find below links to view each of these letters:

[Nursery Annual Knowledge & Understanding and Mufti Day Request 2024 - 2025](#)

[Reception Annual Knowledge & Understanding, Themed Weeks & Mufti Days 2024/25](#)

[KS1 & 2 Annual Themed Weeks & Mufti Days Request 2024 - 2025](#)

These monies help us to support your child's learning and enable us to offer focused learning weeks with the opportunity to take part in many different activities such as theatre group visits, workshops, cooking and many other activities, **all of which cost money**. Sadly, with continued education budget cuts, as a school cannot afford to absorb the costs of these visits without your support.

All children participate in planned activities and therefore we do ask **all** families to make their contributions in a timely manner.

Thank you to those families who have already made their full or part payment for the relevant request. Your speedy, on-going support is much appreciated.

Please do not get this request confused with our annual governors payment request which will follow shortly.

Class Attendance of the Week: 13/09 – 26/09/2024

	Class	Attendance Percentage
	St Abigail – 2P	99.33%
	St Ann – 3E	98.87%
	St Jude – 5G	
	St Beatrice – 2M	98.55%
	St Paul – 4F	98.06%
	St Patrick – 4M	97.90%
	St Nicholas – 1G	97.67%
	St Faustina – 6L	97.28%
	St David - RB	96.67%
	St Gabriel – 1C	96.43%
	St Gerard – 6S	96.33%
	St Louise – 5O	96.03%
Below school attendance threshold	St John – 3M	94.67%
	AM Nursery	94.51%
	St Teresa - RM	93.48%
	PM Nursery	91.55%

Please remember that the threshold for our school attendance is 96% and it is important that we all work together to reach and even surpass this percentage.

Reflection – Prayer To St Vincent de Paul I

Noble Saint Vincent de Paul,

beloved servant of the poor,
may we follow your example and do good works
among those whom society has abandoned,
enslaved, or forgotten.

Inspire us to feed the hungry,
to love a child,
to provide comfort and medicine to the sick,
to clothe those whose garments are threadbare,
and to offer hope and our Lord's words
to all who need respite.

Pray for us to our beloved God
that we may commit ourselves selflessly
to doing the same charitable acts
that you did all your life,
and intercede with him
that we may have the favour of his guidance
and strength and love upon this important and meaningful
work.

Amen.



Celebration of Languages Week

This week, the children explored the different languages and cultures of countries around the world. They participated in making delicious snacks from these countries, from croissants and wraps, to pizzas and lamingtons. The children also learned songs and rhymes in the languages spoken in the countries, all of which were performed in our annual celebrations of languages week assembly today.

