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Diary Dates

04/11 - Autumn Term 2 Commences
05/11 - Reception Parents Phonic Workshop 9am
07/11 - Yrs1 & 2 Parents Phonic Workshop 9am
08/11 - 50 Assembly 9.30am
08/11 - 50 Swimming
11/11 - Remembrance Day
11/11 - Maths Week England
11/11 - Parents Evening (In School) 5pm - 7.30pm
12/11 - Whole School Odd Sock Day - (£1.00 Donation)
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
27/11 - Rocksteady Assembly 9.10am
28/11 - KS2 Parents Maths Workshop - 9am
28/11 - KS1 Parents Maths Workshop - 2pm



IMPORTANT PLEASE ACTION (if applicable): Autumn Term Parents Evenings – Reception to Yr 6

Thank you to those families who have made their appointments already. As explained in our communication, appointments are allocated on a first come first served basis. If you have added yourself to a 'waiting list' for an in person appointment because there are no appointments currently available with your child's Class Teacher you are **kindly asked to log on the school cloud to book a 'virtual' appointment on this occasion.** Teachers are unable to offer an additional in person appointment at this time and your assistance is much appreciated.

[Reception to Yr6 Autumn Term Parents Evening Letter 2024](#)

[Reception to Yr6 Appointment Booking Guide - Autumn 2024](#)

[Reception to Yr6 Parents Protocol Information](#)

Parents Phonic Workshops

We look forward to welcoming you into school for these workshops.

[Reception Parents Phonic Workshop 2024](#)

[Yr1 and selected Yr2 Parents Phonic Workshop 2024](#)

Please note that if you have a child in Yr2 and you have **not** received an email from us then you are not required to attend.

Polite Reminder

You are kindly asked to remind your child(ren) that they **must not** share or accept a snack from another pupil at any time at school. Whilst children may feel that they are being caring they are not necessarily aware of food allergies of others. Any snacks seen to be being shared will be confiscated.

ParentPay



We continue to ask that you 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. **If you receive a note from the office stating that meals are not being booked, please do not ignore this. If you are having difficulties please visit us to enable us to try and resolve your issues!** We have made some small changes to the menu for the next half term.

[UPDATED Autumn Term Menu 2024](#)

Please ensure that you make your meal bookings before the start of the new half term.

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

Parent / Carer Trip Volunteer Google Form

Thank you to those parents / carers who have registered their interest to assist us with school trips. Teachers will contact you in due course if they require any additional support. Your continued support is always much appreciated.

After School Clubs

Our Autumn term clubs are well under way. They will continue until **Thursday 19th December 2024**.

[Autumn Term After School Clubs 2024](#)

Activation of ParentPay Accounts

There still remains **2 Nursery** ParentPay accounts not activated to date. Further reminders have been sent out, if you received a reminder please take the time to activate your accounts as soon as possible. It is **extremely important** that you are able to access information and make payments sent through this platform.

If you have any difficulties with this request, please contact the office.

Autumn Term 2

We look forward to welcoming you back in to school for the second half of the autumn term on **Monday 4th November 2024**. Please remember that winter uniform should be worn with effect from this half term through until the **4th April 2025**.

School Photographer

Proof cards have now been sent home. If you would like to purchase your child's school picture please do so by following the instruction on this card. All orders must be made online, any orders sent into school will be returned and as always you are under no obligation to purchase these. **Please do not send any order into school, these will be returned to you.**

The order deadline date to receive free school delivery is **Wednesday 13th November 2024**. As always you are under no obligation to make a purchase.

Whole School Odd Sock Day 2024 - Tuesday 12th November 2024

We are delighted to once again be supporting this wonderful event. Please use the link below to view full details:

[Whole School Odd Sock Day 2024](#)

For your information this is a **uniformed school day**, children are simply asked to wear odd socks and bring in a **£1.00 donation on the day**.

Donations should be given directly to class teachers.

Annual Poppy Appeal

We will be selling Remembrance Day Poppies in school from **Monday 4th November 2024**. Should you wish to donate to this worthy cause please send this in with your child. Mrs Heaney will visit classes on a regular basis to distribute poppies to those children with donations.

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.

FINAL CALL - Yr 6 Secondary School Visits

All secondary school e-admissions must be received by the London Borough of Hounslow on or before the **31st October 2024**.

Please also remember that catholic secondary schools paperwork may need to be returned before this date – submission dates can be found either on the relevant schools paperwork, website or by contacting the schools directly.

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](#)

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](#)

School Instagram

We are delighted to confirm that we have joined Instagram - please click on this link to follow us and see the great things we do at school: [St Michael and St Martin Instagram](#)

Yr6 Kingswood Residential Trip – June 2025

Numbers have now been confirmed for this trip and a payment request has been released for the balance of this trip.

All monies for this trip must be received by the **28th March 2025**. If you have any financial concerns relating to this please speak to the office.

Please refer to our recent letter for full details:

[Yr6 Kingswood Residential Trip June 2025](#)

Whole School TTRS (Times Table Rock Stars) Mufti Day - Friday 15th November 2024

From Monday 11th November 2024, we will be celebrating 'Maths Week England'. The children will participate in maths adventure day workshops and to mark the end of this focused learning week as a whole school (including Nursery) we will be holding a free TTRS (Times Table Rock Stars) mufti day on **Friday 15th November 2024** where children are encouraged to come dressed as a rock star!

We will be holding two Parent Maths Workshops on **Thursday 28th November 2024**:

KS2 (Yrs 3 – 6) at 9am

KS1 (Yrs 1 & 2) at 2pm

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: 12/10 – 23/10/2024

	Class	Attendance Percentage
	3M – St John	99.40%
	6S – St Gerard	99.17%
	4F – St Paul	98.39%
	1G – St Nicholas	98.75%
	6L – St Faustina	98.06%
	5G – St Jude	97.98%
Below school attendance threshold	4M – St Patrick	95.77%
	5O – St Louise	95.56%
	PM Nursery	95.50%
	2M – St Beatrice	95.16%
	RM – St Teresa	94.38%
	3E – St Ann	94.15%
	1C – St Gabriel	93.96%
	2P – St Abigail	92.74%
	RB – St David	91.73%
AM Nursery	91.35%	

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.

'One Million Children Praying the Rosary'

Last Friday we took part in history to be part of 'one million children praying the rosary'. It was a beautiful time to reflect and connect with our Mother Mary, thanking her for bringing Jesus into the world.



Reflection

Dear God,
Let's pray for rest as schools and half term holidays start,
That those leading youth groups, teachers and all those who work with children can rest.
We also pray for protection on children - that children are cared for and enjoy the week.
We pray for any activities that may be taking place in our churches this week.

Amen.

