

ST. MICHAEL AND ST MARTIN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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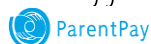


ParentPay – Dinner Money

You will be aware all primary age school children are now entitled to receive 'Universal Free School Meals' for this academic year. As a school, we continue to require all children in EYFS and KS1 (Reception, Years 1 & 2) to participate in this scheme, however, children in KS2 (Yrs3 - 6) now also have the opportunity to participate in this initiative.

This means that no payment is required from you for meals here at school. You are however required to book your meal choices via your ParentPay accounts. If you do not book your child's meal then they will automatically be booked the vegetarian option from the menu.

Please note that the new menu is available on ParentPay for you to make your bookings.



Year 4 PE

Please be advised that the children in year 4 must wear their PE kits on Wednesdays and Fridays due to a change in the timetable.

IMPORTANT : 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](#)

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

15/01 Rec 9 - 12pm - Vision, Heights and weights

15/01 Dentist Rec, Y1 and Y2

16/01 Rec 9 - 12pm - Vision, Heights and weights

18/01 THURSDAY Class 3M Assembly @9.30am

19/01 5G swimming

26/01 Class 3E Assembly @9.30am

26/01 5A swimming

02/02 Class 2C Assembly @9.30am

06/02 Safer Internet Day

09/02 Class 2M Assembly @9.30am

09/02 Break up for half term – 3:15/30pm finish

19/02 Return to school for Spring 2

Highlighted for parents to attend



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.

Governors Fund Request 2023 – 2024

This request is available on your ParentPay account. Your prompt payment is greatly appreciated and helps us to look at further plans to make improvements to our school. This payment request can be found on your ParentPay account.

Annuals Charge Payment Requests 2023 / 2024

These payment requests have been released to your ParentPay account. Thank you to those families who have made their prompt payment for these requests this is very much appreciated.

Please remember that if you choose to pay in the 3 instalments (3 x £10) you must make your first payment before the end of the autumn term. A letter outlining how all details relating to this payment request was emailed out earlier this week. These letters outlined a number of options of how these monies are paid over the year.

These monies help us to support your child's learning further by planning focused learning weeks in many different including theatre group visits, workshops, cooking activities etc, all of which cost money. **All** children participate in planned activities and therefore we do ask **all** families to make their contributions in a timely manner.

Breakfast Club



This continues to run from 8- 8.45am, Monday to Friday, term time only. If you would like to register for this club, please visit our website to download the required paperwork.

Spring Term After School Clubs

After school clubs will commence with effect from Monday 15th January 2024. There will no clubs on the following dates:

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2024 – School Closed for half term holidays

Monday 18th March 2024 – Spring Term 'Virtual' Parents Evening

Tuesday 19th March 2024 – Spring Term 'In Person' Parents Evening

Year 5 swimming

Please note the changes to the year 5 swimming rota. For more information, refer to the letter on the school website <https://www.stmichaelandstmartin.co.uk/year-5-2/>.

FINAL CALL for Reception Applications

Just a reminder that the closing for Reception Class applications for consideration for our September 2024 intake is **Monday 15th January 2024**.

Please ensure that all e-admissions applications are uploaded to the London Borough of Hounslow before midnight on this date. Your Supplementary Information Form (SIF) and supporting paperwork, including an **original** Certificate of Catholic Practice must be received at the school office before **4pm** on the same day.

Please also remember that if you are applying to any other Catholic Primary Schools you **must** ensure that you fill in the necessary Supplementary Information Forms for **each** of your chosen schools.

The London Borough of Hounslow will notify you of the outcome of your application on National Offers Date, which is on the 16th April 2024, after 5pm.

Yr6 PGL Residential Trip – June 2024

Thank you to those families who have commenced their payment for this trip. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the office.

All monies must be paid by **Monday 25th March 2024**.

Class Attendance of the Week: 13/12/2023 – 10/01/2024

	Class	Attendance Percentage
	St Gabriel – 10	97.41%
	St Gerard – 6C	97.13%
	St Nicholas - 1G	93.33%
Below school attendance threshold	St Louise – 5G	94.07%
	St Patrick – 4M	93.33%
	St Paul – 4S	92.22%
	St Abigail – 2C	91.30%
	St John – 3M	
	St Beatrice – 2M	91.04%
	St Faustina – 6L	90.80%
	St Jude – 5A	90.56%
	St Ann – 3E	90%
	AM Nursery	86.54%
	St David - RM	86.48%
PM Nursery	84.83%	
	St Teresa - RB	81.36%

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

Blessed are you, Lord God,

Creator of body and mind and heart;
you have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge
to guide your people in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new year,
we implore your mercy:
bless the students, teachers, and staff,
that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love
as we learn from you and each other
how to follow your Son Jesus.

Expand the horizons of our minds,
that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and
knowledge;
deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your
ways;

and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need.
Glory and praise to you, Lord God,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.

Amen.

