

AUGHTON ST. MICHAEL'S C. OF E. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 9th February





Our Christian Value this half term: PERSEVERANCE "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9



Speaking Out and Representing School

The end of this week marks the halfway point in the school year. I am always struck at this point at how far away September now feels and how it is so hard to imagine the children in any other year group. The children seem so content and comfortable in their environment and this can be seen by how many of the children have spoken so well in different situations this week. Some Y5 children have been to another local school to lead a worship, other children across the school have led worship in front of parents, whilst others spoke clearly and knowledgeably to our visitors last week. They have all been superb ambassadors for our school and have been a credit to themselves and their families. I hope you all have a lovely half-term and we'll see you all again on Monday 19th February.

Encourage, Support and Guide

Medication in School

Please find a <u>link to our medicine policy</u> which is based on guidance from Lancashire and is in line with other local schools. Whilst we do want children to attend school everyday it is important they are fit and healthy when they do. The key points of the medicine policy are:

All medicines must be brought to the school office and the appropriate form completed before we will administer them.

We will only administer prescribed medication that is brought to school in the original, labelled container.

The guidance states that schools will only administer prescribed medication that has to be given 4 times a day. If it is prescribed 3 times a day it can be given before school, at the end of the school day and at bedtime. If your child is at After School Club, please come and discuss administering medication with us as we understand the 'end of school' dose will be an issue.

We are not able administer Calpol, nasal sprays, throat sweets, etc unless they are prescribed or part of a health care plan. Similarly, children cannot bring such items into school to administer to themselves.

We will be following this policy from closely after half-term but understand that there are individual circumstances which are more complicated. If such a situation arises for you, or if you are unsure about what to do, please come and talk to school and we will try to support you as best we can.

Thank you for your support in this matter.





Messy Church next meets in St. Michael's Church Hall at 9.30am on Sunday 11th February. All families welcome! Spread the word!



World Book Day Thursday 7th March

This year's theme will be Roald Dahl. Like last year the school will transform and all the lessons will be linked to the author. All we ask is that the children come in dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character.





School Dinner Payments

Please can you make sure that you pay for your child's school dinners in advance on school spider. If your child is on a school trip or unwell you will be refunded the following week. If payment is not been received an invoice will be sent to your school spider account.

Please can you ensure that your payments are up to date.

We return on week 2

Year 5 Tower Wood Trip

Please can we remind you all to make sure that the final instalment for the Tower Wood Residential is paid no later than **Friday 16th February**. All medication forms also need to be returned to Mrs Quirk the first week back after half term. Many thanks.

School Swimming School

Swimming lessons will take place on Friday afternoons. There is a National Curriculum requirement that all children can swim 25m before they leave primary school. To ensure all pupils can do this, Y5 and 6 will go swimming for a couple of weeks as an initial assessment. Some children may then be asked to come later to additional sessions if they need to.

For swimming the children need: • Towel • Swimming cap • Swimming costume/trunks

Year 6: 23rd Feb, 1st March

Year 5: 8th March, 15th March, 22nd March

Year 4: Summer Term

Booking Clubs for this half term will go live on Saturday 10th
February at 9am.
Places are limited and if the app allows you to complete the form that means you have a place at the club.

Half Term

Monday 12th February to Friday 16 February.

Bikeability

Please ensure your child has a complete change of warm clothes to wear for bikeability as the course will continue in most weathers. All children need to bring in their clothes to change into on **Tuesday 20th February**.

After this, you will be informed if you are in the morning or afternoon group for the next two days – the morning group will come to school in their bikeability clothes and bring in their school uniform to change into whilst the afternoon group will come to school

in their uniform with their bikeability clothes to change into.

Events Week Commencing 19th February

Mon	Y4/5/6	Book Club	Lunchtime	Ms McCormack
Mon	У2	PE Club	3.15 - 4.15pm	Sports Coach
Mon	y3/4	Chess	3.15 - 4.15pm	Mr Quirk/Mrs Wood
Mon	Y5/6	Forestry	3.15 - 4.15pm	Mrs Zaim
Tues	У5	Bikeability		
Wed	У5	Bikeability		
Wed	Y1/2	Cookery	3.15 - 4.15pm	Mrs Gordon
Wed	y3/4	Athletics	3.15 - 4.15pm	Mr Singleton
Thurs	У5	Bikeability		
Thurs	У4	Royal Liver Building & Tate Gallery Trip		
Fri	У6	Swimming		
Fri	K52	Choir	3:15 - 4:15pm	Miss Jones/Mrs Preece

Celebrate







