



5th September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to the start of the new academic year! We are looking forward to starting a new year with the children. As we begin to return to many of our pre pandemic activities, we look forward to taking the children out of school for their learning through educational visits and to having more speakers/visitors back into the school to support the curriculum. We are pleased that you have chosen St Michael's as the school for your child's educational journey and look forward to working in close partnership with you this year as your child continues to develop spiritually, academically, morally and socially.

Luke 14:25-33

The Cost of Being a Disciple

²⁵ Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said:²⁶ "If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?²⁹ For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, ³⁰ saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.'

³¹ "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. ³³ In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

There is a cost to discipleship. He paints a stark picture, asking if we are ready to accept difficulty with him. If we are, we know that he will not leave us alone but will carry our burdens with us and show us what love and courage mean. Successful discipleship requires that God be first.

Term Dates

Please see attached the term and holiday dates for the 2022/23 academic year. These can also be found on the school website:

<https://st-michaels.newham.sch.uk/our-school/term-and-holiday-dates/>

Religious Education

Please see attached the religious education topics for the Autumn term.

After School Sports Club

We will be starting our multi-sports clubs for this term on Monday, 12th September. A form to sign up was sent out recently via School Ping; the deadline for applications is **12 noon on Wednesday, 7th September**. You will be notified if you have been successful.

Meet the Teacher Meetings

Over the next few weeks, we will be holding Meet the Teacher meetings for years 1-6. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's new class teacher and learn about the curriculum they will be learning this year; you will also receive key information such as how to support your child at home, PE days, homework, etc.

Monday, 12th September 2022 at 3:30 p.m. - Year 6 and Year 1

Tuesday, 13th September 2022 at 3:30 p.m. - Year 4 and Year 5

Thursday, 15th 2022 at 3:30 p.m. - Year 2 and Year 3

School Uniform

The children are looking very smart in their uniforms. Please see below for a reminder about the uniform expectations.

Please ensure that your child is dressed in full school uniform.

Nursery

Navy jumper

Navy jogging bottoms

White polo T-shirt

Black shoes/trainers with no laces

Navy or black coat

St Michael's school bag

Reception

- White Polo shirt
- Burgundy jumper with school logo (boys compulsory)
- Burgundy cardigan with school logo (girls compulsory)
- Mid grey trousers/tailored shorts (boys)
- Mid grey pleated skirt/pinafore/trousers/tailored shorts (girls)
- Sensible black shoes (No boots)
- Grey socks (boys)
- White socks - Grey tights may be worn in the winter months only (girls)
- A plain black or navy top coat/anorak (no logos)
- Burgundy woollen winter hats preferably with school logo
- Hair ribbons/bands in school colours

Year 1 to Year six:

- White school shirt
- School tie (Burgundy & gold stripe)
- Burgundy jumper with school logo (boys optional)
- Burgundy cardigan with school logo (girls optional)
- Mid grey trousers/tailored shorts (boys)
- Mid grey pleated skirt/pinafore/trousers/tailored shorts (girls)
- Sensible black shoes (No boots)
- Grey socks (boys)
- White socks - Grey tights may be worn in the winter months only (girls)
- Blazer compulsory
- A plain black or navy top coat/anorak (no logos)
- Burgundy woollen winter hats preferably with school logo
- Hair ribbons/bands in school colours

PE Kit

- White round necked P.E. T-shirt with school logo
- Plain navy blue shorts
- Plain navy blue track suits with/without school logo
- Black plimsolls (indoor PE)
- Navy blue/black swimming costume and navy blue swimming hat (Yrs 4-6 only)

All children must have a school book bag and P.E. bag.

PLEASE MARK CHILDREN'S CLOTHING CLEARLY WITH THEIR NAME - items of clothing cannot be returned unless they have a name printed inside them.

Important: Please note, these items are not permitted in school:

- Jewellery including earrings
- Nail varnish
- Hair gel, hair dye or razor markings
- Trainers

For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back using plain ribbons, bands or hair slides in school colours.

Staffing

Our teaching staff for this academic year are listed below:

Acting Executive Head Teacher - Mrs N Scott

Deputy Head - Ms J Pereira

Acting Assistant Headteacher - Ms M Alexander

Class	Teacher(s)	Support staff
Nursery	Mrs Hatziefstratiou / Ms Tucker	Ms Lara
Reception	Ms Bohane	Ms Nessa
Class 1	Mrs Donald	Mrs Charlery
Class 2	Mrs Davies	Mr Balkeesoon
Class 3	Ms Samson	Mrs Isaacs
Class 4	Mrs Edgar-Charles	Mrs Woolward
Class 5	Mrs Corriette	Ms Harvey
Class 6	Mrs D'Cruz	Mrs Kalyabe
SENCO	Mrs Cox	

God Bless,



N. Scott

Acting Executive Head Teacher