



25th November 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Luke 20:27 - 37

²⁷ Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. ²⁸ "Teacher," they said, "Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. ³⁰ The second ³¹ and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. ³² Finally, the woman died too. ³³ Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?"

³⁴ Jesus replied, "The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵ But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age to come and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, ³⁶ and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. ³⁷ But in the account of the burning bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord 'the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.'^[a] ³⁸ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

Chicken pox

We have had an increase in cases of chicken pox in school, please be vigilant about the symptoms of chicken pox and contact your GP or 111 if you believe that your child might have chicken pox

An itchy, spotty rash is the main symptom of chickenpox. It can be anywhere on the body. Chickenpox happens in 3 stages. But new spots can appear while others are becoming blisters or forming a scab.

Stage 1: small spots appear

The spots can:

- be anywhere on the body, including inside the mouth and around the genitals, which can be painful
- spread or stay in a small area
- be red, pink, darker or the same colour as surrounding skin, depending on your skin tone
- be harder to see on brown and black skin

Stage 2: the spots become blisters

The spots fill with fluid and become blisters. The blisters are very itchy and may burst.

Stage 3: the blisters become scabs

The spots form a scab. Some scabs are flaky while others leak fluid

Other symptoms

Before or after the rash appears, you might also get:

- a high temperature
- aches and pains, and generally feeling unwell
- loss of appetite

Your child will need to stay away from school until all the spots have formed a scab. This is usually 5 days after the spots appeared.

Christmas Events

As we draw closer to the end of term there are a number of school events to celebrate Christmas, please make note of the dates and times below:

Tuesday, 13th December 2022 at 10:00 - Reception Christmas story

Wednesday, 14th December 2022 at 2:00 pm - Year 2 Christmas performance

Thursday, 15th December 2022 - Christmas lunch (unfortunately parents are not able to attend)

Thursday, 15th December 2022 at 6:00 pm - KS2 (Years 3-6) Carol Concert at St Michael's Church

Monday, 19th December 2022 - Christmas class party celebrations

Tuesday, 20th December 2022 at 10:30 am - End of Term Mass at St Michael's Church

The Autumn term ends on Tuesday, 20th December at 2:00 pm for all pupils.

Give and Gain Event

St Michael's works with many organizations to support the school and the community, including the Steve Browne Foundation. The foundation tries to give young people the support they need in order to shape their lives and that of their communities. As a part of this work they are hosting a Give and Gain Event at St Francis' on Friday, 9th December from 4:30 - 7:30. Families are able to purchase a ticket on School Money for £10. This allows you access to the event were you are able to pick up to five items that are new or nearly new. There will be a variety of items included adult and children's clothing and shoes, home furnishing, toys and household items.

Parent Advice and Support

We are in difficult times and need to try to support each other as best as we can. The school website has an advice and support section with links to organizations that can provide legal advice, debt management advice and food banks.

<https://st-michaels.newham.sch.uk/>

If you need further advice or support please go to the school office and request an appointment with a member of the senior leadership team.

Newham Libraries

There are ten libraries across Newham, each offering a range of services and community activities. As well as a fantastic selection of books and other reading material of course. **The libraries also provide free computer and internet access.**

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/libraries-arts-culture/newham-library-services>

God Bless,



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