

## Head Teacher's Message



Apologies to all of you for the mess you found in the playground this morning.

We really must do something about that mischievous Easter bunny! Every year it's the same.....left over carrots and cabbage scattered around the playground. At least he left some yummy treats though. We hope all the children enjoyed the Easter egg hunt and left with something scrumptious to eat!



Of course, Easter is much more than the Easter bunny and chocolate eggs, and our pastor, Beth, asked the children to think about the true meaning of Easter

in our service at St. Michael's church this year. After hearing readings about 'The Happiest Day' and 'The Saddest Day' from members of Lower and Upper Primary, new beginnings and new hopes prayed for. Thank you to the family and friends that were able to attend the service, and to FoMM for supplying the refreshments at the end. We hope you all enjoyed the service.



For the summer term, we will all be focusing on returning to a 'normal' way of life. We will therefore resume some of our school policies with more gusto! Please see the following notes on



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the areas that are most likely to impact your child’s daily life at school.

### COVID Regulations for Summer Term

When we return to school on the 20<sup>th</sup> April, all COVID-19 restrictions will be lifted. Testing and isolating protocols will no longer apply, tests will no longer be free to most people and children and staff will no longer need to miss time off school due to COVID-related events. We will therefore follow the NHS guidelines on illness and sickness in children from now on, unless directed by a local or national agency to do otherwise:

Illness/Sickness	Stay at home for:
Vomiting	48 hours
Diarrhea	48 hours
Temperature	24 hours

The School will call families to collect any children that staff deem to be too unwell to stay at school. We understand this can be frustrating for parents, particularly if children look well enough once they are home, but class teachers must focus on effective class teaching, which can be greatly disrupted by unwell pupils. In any circumstances where the class teacher feels a child is taking them away from teaching due to illness or sickness, teachers will ask for the child to go home. Children who seem tired and sleepy are of course welcome to sleep it off in our care at school, as they are unlikely to disrupt lessons.

We hope that all parents will respect this and work with us to

keep a happy, safe and well school community.

### Uniform

In keeping with a ‘back to normal’ mindset, we will be much stricter about uniform when we return for the summer term. Children will no longer be permitted to wear trainers in the classroom in the new term, so must instead wear summer shoes (sandals, crocs, flip-flops) or black school shoes. Socks must be navy if wearing winter uniform and white if wearing summer uniform. White socks must be worn in sport. Winter uniform may be worn until the half term, after which summer uniform will be compulsory.

The exceptions to these rules are dress-down Fridays and Mufty days.

I spoke to the children about the stricter policy on uniform this morning, so they may very well bring the message home!

Please speak to me directly if you have any concerns about uniform.

### After School Care

Due to a lack of uptake, after school care will not be held on Wednesdays. This means we will not be able to offer ad hoc sessions on this day. Should you have concerns about picking your child up on time, please speak to your class teacher to see if they can help you.

## Diary Dates

**Inset Day**  
**Tuesday, 19th**

**Return to School**  
**Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> April**

**Platinum Jubilee Lunch & Family Fun Afternoon**  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

**Father’s Day**  
**Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June**

**HALF TERM**  
**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May**  
Return to school  
**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June**

**FoMM Campout**  
**Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**Year 6 Graduation**  
**Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
**9am**  
(invitation only)

**End of Term**  
**Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July**  
**12.15pm**

### Safeguarding

Should you have any safeguarding concerns regarding children you know, please do remember that both Joy and I remain on safeguarding duty during the break. You can contact me directly on my mobile number (please let me know if you need it) or either of us by email.

I hope you all have a fun, sunny, happy spring break.

Sarah

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