

Autumn Term 2 2023

A big warm welcome to all our parents and careers. Our newsletter, emailed at the start of every half term, we hope is engaging as well as informative. What do you think? What information would you like to be included in future? Don't forget to also join our Facebook page to see regular updates on activities your children engage in and enjoy.

Welcome and a big hello to Noah and Hector who are joining us this half-term.

Gentle reminder: Please use your allocated door this helps to keep queuing to a minimum in the mornings. Naomi would have informed you which door your child will enter through but general rule is returning children will enter via the front door and our new children through the side door where their keyperson will be waiting to great them. All 9.30am children use the side door.

At St Michaels Pre-school

- We are a free-flow pre-school and children have access to outside provision in all weathers so with this in mind please ensure your children are dressed in appropriate clothing for the weather. We also enjoy lots of messy, exploration activities and water play.



St Michaels Pre-school

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[St Michael's Pre-school – Encouraging independence, resilience and learning through play \(stmichaelspreschool.co.uk\)](http://stmichaelspreschool.co.uk)

Essentials Kit checklist:

- A well-stocked bag with multiple changes of clothes including socks, t-shirts and jumpers as well as trousers and pants. Please remember a separate bag for wet/dirty clothes to be placed separate from clean clothes. Please remember to check and restock wipes and nappy sacks as well as nappies/pull ups daily.
- The weather has certainly taken a turn and our playroom can get a little chilly with children free flowing between the garden and the playroom therefore multiple layers are advisable at this time of year.
- A warm coat is essential as is a puddle suit or an extra waterproof coat and trousers and a pair of wellies as the British weather is unpredictable.
- Naming all items is essential if you don't want them to become lost. This includes bags, water bottles and lunchboxes as it makes transitions such as lunchtime/home time easier.
- Please remember to cut grapes, olives and cocktail sausages length ways and pop an icepack inside your child's lunchboxes as we are unable to store them in a fridge.



Key dates for your diary

Monday 30th October- First day of term

Thursday 30th November- Nativity and Fair

Thursday 14th December-Last day of term

Friday 15th December- Christmas party

Friday 8th March- Mother's day breakfast

Saturday 23rd March- Teddy bears picnic

Friday 14th June- Father's day breakfast

Saturday 29th June Games day and BBQ

Friday 19th July-Leavers trip

We have many exciting activities planned for this half term. Including creating firework master pieces and dress up week to raise money for children in need. We shall also be practicing our songs reading for the Nativity and getting excited for Christmas.

Children in need- this year we have signed up to Nursery rhyme week and would love it if the children could dress up as characters from their favorite rhymes, for a small donation the Week Commencing Monday 13th November. You might even see some of the staff dressing up to.

Important Notice!

We are a nut free setting. Please can you check items do not contain any form of nuts before placing in lunch boxes!



Important reminder- If your child is due to start year R September 2024 (Turns 5 between 1st September 2024-31st August 2025) you can apply online from the 1st November 2023 till 15th January 2024. If you need any advice/help with applications please do come and speak to Naomi.

[School admissions | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk)