



Newsletter September 2024

Rossington St Michael's C of E Primary

All are Welcome, All are Accepted, All Achieve, All are Loved.

Hello and Welcome to the first newsletter of the year!

I am so pleased to welcome you back to school after what I hope has been the most wonderful summer holiday for you and your family. All the children have returned relaxed, recharged and ready for another year of learning, discovery and excitement. We have been very busy during summer to prepare for a successful year; planning visits, tweaking curriculums and organising opportunities to increase your involvement as parents too.

Instead of a half-termly newsletter, you will now receive monthly newsletters. We are hoping this gives you relevant information more regularly and keeps you informed of any updates or celebrations within school. So, here is September's! Please don't forget, we are here for you as well as children so reach out if you ever need us for anything.

Warmest wishes,

Miss Birks 😊

Upcoming Events

Key Dates this half term: Autumn Term 1

6th September	FS1 start school
6th September	Parent's Newsletter out
9th September	After School Clubs start
10th September	Welcome meeting Y6 parents – 3:15pm
11th September	Welcome meeting Y4 parents – 3:15pm
12th September	Welcome meeting FS2 parents - 3:15pm
17th September	Welcome meeting Y3 parents – 3:15pm
18th September	Welcome meeting Y1 and Y2 parents – 3:15pm
19th September	Welcome meeting Y5 parents – 3:15pm
w/c 23rd September	500 word story week competition
26th September	Open Afternoon for prospective families 2:00pm
27th September	Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning – parents welcome from 9am
1st October	October Newsletter Out
3rd October	Census Day – special menu
3rd October	500 word competition event – invite only
4th October	Christmas Cards design deadline
8th October	Individual Photos (<i>inc sibling photos</i>)
9th October	Family Quiz and Hotdog Night at 3:15pm
10th October	FS1 and FS2 Harvest Celebration
11th October	Harvest Collection – donations welcome
13th October (Sun)	Harvest Church Service
15th October	Parents' Evening 3:30 – 6:30pm
24th October	Disco (<i>FS2 and KS1 3:15-4:15pm, KS2 4:30-5:30pm</i>)
21st October	Flu Vaccinations
25th October	Last day of term for children

Staffing News



We are so pleased for **Mrs Lockett** and her husband, who welcomed their baby boy safely and healthily in August. Rory and Mum are both doing well and we can't wait for cuddles!



And here's to you, **Mrs Robinson**...! I know you'll join us in congratulating Miss (now Mrs) Robinson on her marriage during the summer. We wish you and your new husband a lifetime of happiness and love!

We welcome new staff to our St Michael's family this year. **Mrs Potts** has joined as our EYFS Lead, **Mr Hart** teaching Y2 and leading PE, **Miss Grant** in Y3 and new Geography lead, **Miss Strawbridge** teaching Y5 and **Ms Holmes** as a Cover Supervisor in Y6. They are all settling beautifully and getting to know their children really well.

Don't forget's!

- ✓ Sign up to **Class Dojo** using the downloadable app on your phone or tablet. This is the main avenue of communication we use in school and is vital for information and key notices.
- ✓ Ensure school dinners are ordered through **LunchHound** every day – you can choose meals for the full year at once if you wish! Children who do not have an order will only receive a cheese sandwich for lunch as part of Taylor Shaw protocol.
- ✓ Come along to the **welcome meetings** for your class – it's a chance to meet your teachers, find out important information about learning and see how you can support your child's learning.



September News

Here is more detail about September's events, along with any other key messages to be shared.

Welcome Meetings

Welcome to all families, both those who have returned and to those who are new to St Michael's. We invite all parents and carers to their child's classroom to find out more information about the upcoming year – about what they will be learning, extra-curricular experiences, details about home learning and answer any questions you may have.

After School Clubs

After school clubs start w/c 9th September. Book through the office for:

- Tuesday - KS1 & KS2 Basketball club
- Thursday AM – Y1-3 Dance Club
- Thursday PM – KS1 and KS2 Forest School
- Friday AM – Y4-6 Dance Club

500 Word Story Competition

This year, we are joining up with the other Doncaster schools in DSAT, running events every half term to encourage collaboration and competition.

This half term, children in Years 3-6 are invited to write a 500

word story in the w/c 23rd September, and hand in on the 27th. The story can be about anything the children would like to write about – be as creative as you'd like!

Teacher's will then choose a winner from each year group to go to a special after school event on 3rd October to read their story to the audience and, hopefully, win against the other DSAT schools!

Open Afternoon

We will host an open afternoon for prospective parents in 26th September at 2pm to visit school and have a look around. This can be for those wanting to join Reception 2025, or Nursery, or even an in-year transfer from another school. Please spread the word to your family and friends!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Once again, we will host a Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9am on 27th September. Please come along for a cuppa and a cake, as all proceeds will go to the amazing charity. Any

donations of baking would also be VERY appreciated – why not bake a few buns with your children to bring? All items must have a full list of ingredients. See you there!

We See You...

This will become a regular part of the newsletter where we celebrate key achievements of our children from across school. It can be from both within and out of school. If you'd like something including, please email the details (and a picture if able) to weseeyou@smp.dsat.education

Here are some special mentions for this edition: **Khloe** in Y5 has achieved her Level 3 swimming during the summer – well done!

Congratulations to **Bonnie, Elsie** and **Noah** (Y6) who have all been signed to Doncaster Girls / Boys Teams! **Robyn** in Y4 won Gold in a cheerleading competition – superb!

Miss Birks and all the staff are very proud of you!



"Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9