New Parents – Frequently Asked Questions

**Uniform: What uniform do the children wear and where do we buy it?**

Information about school uniform can be found on our school website:

<https://www.st-michaels-helston.org>

Click on: https:// [www.st-michaels-helston.org/web/parent\_pay\_uniform\_links/579776](http://www.st-michaels-helston.org/web/parent_pay_uniform_links/579776)

Here you will find the list of school uniform together with a link to our online uniform shop:

[www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/stmichaelsprimary](http://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/stmichaelsprimary)

The deadline for ordering uniform for guaranteed delivery by September is Monday 31st July.

**Breakfast and Afterschool club: How do they operate and how do we book?**

Early Birds breakfast club runs every morning from 8.00am. Dragon’s Club, our after school club, runs from 3.20pm-5.30pm (5.00pm on Fridays). Details about breakfast and after school club, how to book and prices, can be found on the school website:

<https://www.st-michaels-helston.org/web/wraparound_chilcare/580138>

**Introduction sessions: Will there be introduction sessions for the children?**

Introduction afternoons for new children

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| Wednesday 14th June | 1.30-2.15 | Stay and play - parents and children |
| Wednesday 21st June | 1.30-2.15 | Just children |
| Tuesday 27th June | 1.30-2.15 | Just children |
| Wednesday 5th July | 1.30-2.15 | Just children |
| Wednesday 12th July | 1.30-2.15 | Parents meeting  Children in classroom |

**Will children from the same nurseries be in the same class to aid transition?**

Children will be put in the same class with at least one preferred friend, named on the class list for friends’ form that was emailed to you. Children attending the same nursery setting will be kept together in the same class wherever possible.

**How does the school support children with speech and language needs?**

At St Michael’s there is a dedicated team of speech and language teaching assistants who work individually with those children who have been referred to a speech and language therapist.

All children on entry are assessed for any communication difficulties through a program called NELI, Nuffield Early Language Intervention. Any children that are identified as having any difficulties with communication are then given specialised teaching, focusing on the area they need support.

**Starting school: How will the school day look for the first week in September?**

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| Tuesday 5th September | 8.50 or 9.30 – 12.00 |
| Wednesday 6th September | 8.40-12.00 |
| Thursday 7th September | 8.40-1.00 |
| Friday 8th September | 8.40-1.00 |