



# St Michael's C of E Primary School, Helston

## Parent Forum No 9

### 2nd February 2015

The Parent Forum is an opportunity for parents to meet once a term to discuss school-related issues. Regular, open communication and consultation with parents is really important to the school. The Parent Forum provides a valuable way to listen to your ideas and concerns as well as seeking your views.

#### DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST PARENT FORUM

- **Investment in LearnPads**

*The P.T.A, in collaboration with the school, have funded 15 LearnPads. LearnPads are an award winning classroom tablet solution uniquely designed for education.*

- **Major refurbishment of the junior building has continued**
- **Children in Need (super hero day), cinema visits, Y1 Christmas journey, Disco,**
- **Anti-bullying week/road-safety week/primary maths challenge/**
- **Healthy snacks policy introduced**
- **Edison curriculum events e.g Y1 alien tea party**
- **Sporting provision (swimming gala/supasoccer/cross country/tag rugby/multi-skills)**
- **New enrichment clubs have begun**
- **Relaunch of Athletics**
- **New house P.E T-shirts**

#### **E-safety week – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

Any suggestions for what you wish to be included in Mr Rayner's e-safety parent drop-in session.

#### **PUPIL PREMIUM**

**Family Learning Maths 10 week course has started**

**Peer mentoring has started successfully**

**1:1 reading in place in the infants**

**FunFit has begun before school**

**H.M.S Heroes begins Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb**

**Pastoral support available to all children during breaktime and lunchtime**

**Mr Glover is available to assist parents and carers with any worries and concerns**

#### **What is Parent View?**

Parent View is an online questionnaire for parents and carers to share their views about their child's school with Ofsted. It was launched in October 2011. Since January 2012, Ofsted has used the information collected through the questionnaire to make decisions about which schools to inspect and when. Inspectors look at Parent View results alongside the traditional paper-based school questionnaires at the point of inspection.

<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

### **COMING SOON**

- **Early birds – 2015/2016**
- **New intervention rooms - 2015**
  - **School mini-bus - 2015**
- **New outdoor space – 2015/16**
- **New residential visit – 2015**
- **Introduction of Numicon**

Develops **fluency** by using a visual, practical base to develop conceptual understanding and fluent recall. Helps children to **reason mathematically** through the use of concrete objects and **spoken language** to explain and justify.

### **MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED AT FORUM**

- School meals

*What are views about pre-booking choices?*

- Refurbishment
- Parking
- Parent survey

### **Healthy Week – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015**



Encourage cycling/walking to school  
Race for Life – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July  
External sports clubs to deliver demonstration sessions  
Invite school nurse/dentist – look at personal hygiene  
Food tastings – children to try different fruits/vegetables

**Any suggestions of providers who could come in?**

### **Learning about ourselves week – 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

Drop-in/info evenings for parents – Mon 27<sup>th</sup> April 2015 KS1 6pm,  
Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May LKS2 6pm, Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 UKS2 6pm

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY**

**St Michael's has become a** Children's University validated *Learning Destination*. Children's University *Learning Destinations* are places and organisations to which children can 'travel' and where they record hours of learning in their *Passport To Learning*. Activities must take place outside the normal school day and are always voluntary. Activities can include clubs which run before school, during lunchtime, after school or at weekends and during holidays

Participants to the Children's University use *Passports To Learning* in which they record the number of hours of completed CU validated learning activities. Children are encouraged to progress through the CU Certification scheme, based on the number of hours of attendance throughout their involvement with the Children's University. Bronze, silver and gold certificates are awarded at CU Undergraduate, CU Postgraduate and CU Doctorate levels. The certificates are usually presented at a graduation ceremony organised through the local Children's University

### **PILGRIMS' WAY C OF E MAT**

**MEMBERS** (Archdeacon of Cornwall,  
Askel Veur)



**DIRECTORS** (Chair of Govs, H.T ex  
officio, other directors)



**LOCAL GOVERNING BODY**  
**ST MICHAEL'S C OF E PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORS REQUIRED

PARENTS AND CARERS ARE NOW  
REPORTING INAPPROPRIATE  
COMMENTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA SO WE  
CAN ADDRESS ANY ISSUES QUICKLY

**NEXT PARENT FORUM IS**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 @ 6:30pm**

**Parent Forum minutes can be found on  
the school website**

The next coffee morning is **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
March at 2:45pm**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 2:45pm**