

Parent Suggestions

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| More After school clubs for younger children. | We are looking to extend the offer of after school clubs to all year groups in the year ahead and will inform parents in due course. |
| Make the residential trips more affordable so that everyone can go | We heavily subsidise all residential visits and try to keep the cost as reasonable as possible. We also launch residential visits many months in advance and set payment schedules to spread the cost throughout the year. Unfortunately we are restricted by the costs the companies charge schools. We will continue to look for the best 'value for money' providers to enable us to continue to provide incredible outdoor experiences and residential opportunities for all of our KS2 children. |
| More rewards based on effort rather than achievement as both are equally important | The school is presently reviewing our whole behaviour and reward system and we are very conscious of ensuring all pupils receive positive recognition for their contributions in school. |
| Any events or activities need to be told in advance so working parents can attend | We will send out a full list of diary dates for the remainder of the school year in January |
| It would be beneficial if all teachers were out at morning drop off so if any information or issues need mentioning to their teachers they can be informed before school starts. | Due to having a soft opening time from 9.40am, staff need to be in class to meet and greet the pupils. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher via class dojo or alternatively pass a note via Stef or Helen at the school gate. |
| Extra notice on colours to wear on red nose day etc and Parents meetings | See response above re: diary dates |
| More twitter posts please. | All teachers now have a designated day for twitter updates so hopefully you will receive more information about your child's learning in school. |



Dear Parents / Carers

On behalf of the Governing Body, I am writing to thank you for returning our most recent survey and for the many positive comments we received. 186 families returned the surveys which gives us a fabulous insight into your opinions about St Michael's. The last 18-20 months have been extremely difficult for everybody, both as individuals and for families, as we have all struggled with this worldwide pandemic. Despite these difficult times we are delighted with the positive responses we have received from parent/carers. A selection of the comments received have been shared overleaf. Rest assured that all comments and suggestions have been duly noted and will be included as part of our ongoing improvement plan. We appreciate that the key to success is a healthy, constructive partnership between home and school and we are fully committed to making sure that this partnership is built upon over the coming months and years. We are hoping that our school will be able to return to 'normal' as soon as possible and look forward to welcoming everybody back to our assemblies and coffee mornings.

Mr M. Volynchok - Chair of Governors

- 100% of parents strongly agree/agree their children are happy at St Michael's
- 100% of parents strongly agree/agree their children feel safe at St Michael's
- 99% of parents strongly agree/agree there is a good standard of behaviour at St Michael's
- 99% of parents strongly agree/agree that their child does well at St Michael's
- 99.5% of parents strongly agree/agree that the school has provided a safe learning environment since returning to school in September
- 100% of parents would recommend St Michael's Catholic Primary School to another parent

**A selection of some of the comments we received from our parents/carers
(Autumn 2021)**

I could think of no better school for my child to attend. Thanks for all of the hard work you do for our children and the community.

The provision the school makes to ensure the physical and emotional wellbeing of pupils is exceptional. Staff are non-judgemental in their approach and treat children as individuals. They ensure every child feels appreciated, respected and socially accepted which encourages friendships and feelings of self-worth.

My child is new to this school. Any worries/concerns I did have I was reassured and put to ease by very friendly and welcoming staff.

I am so proud of my children and this school. It is another family for them. I could not be happier with St Michael's

In every aspect of schooling including emotional wellbeing this school goes beyond what is expected.

The school seem to constantly review the educational needs of children/year groups and alter their provision in order to cater for this. I particularly like the focus groups the children were put into at the end of their Reception Year to ready them for Year 1

The children are welcomed in with happy smiling faces every day

St. Michael's treats the pupils as individuals and give praise to reinforce good behaviour

Providing a wonderful learning environment with a WOW factor. Going above and beyond to provide life experiences for pupils.

I always feel I can go to school with any problems and we work through them together for the best outcome for my child. There is nothing better than the St Michael's family

Any issues raised are dealt with quickly and investigated properly and sensitively

The pastoral and wellbeing support is excellent. My child has been through a difficult time this year and the pastoral team have been a big support.

Everything about this school is amazing. I know my children are well looked after and are getting the best education

Provide a wide range of learning experiences focussing on the needs of the whole children. In particular the focus on wellbeing which seems ever present. High expectations in relation to academic achievement and constantly reviewing practice to make sure the children achieve the best outcomes

Fantastic communication between school and home even through the pandemic

St Michael's is friendly and caring. It is great how you offer lots of different activities such as science day. If I have a question it is always answered quickly and with care

The focus on reading is also brilliant and I have noticed a significant progress with my child's reading already this year

Cannot fault this school. My child loves coming to school every day due to the fun she has and what she is learning.