



Monday 13th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

In this morning's collective worship, we shared a small number of outstanding portraits linking children's talents and skills to this week's value of **Creation**. Our collective worship is **John 4.5-42** where Jesus met a woman Samaritan by Jacob's Well and the **Unicef Rights Article 17**, focuses on pupils rights to Access to Information.

Key Events

This Friday morning it's Mr Davenport's class family assembly in the KS1 hall starting at 9.10 am, and as usual, we will ensure siblings across the school are asked to attend. Plus, it's Red nose day and St Patricks day too.

Parents evenings are approaching. Years 2 and Year 6 are in the last week of this term on Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th March. You can book now on Scopay for these year groups. However, Years 1,3,4,5 and Early Years will be in the first week back after the Easter Holidays.

Our Easter Service at St Michael's Church is on Thursday 30th March 9:30 am, led by Year 3, and the whole school, wearing their special Easter Bonnet Hats, will parade through the village on their way to Church. Nursery will have their own special parade in school.

There is so much happening in schools with many dates to keep track of. We do our best to highlight these each week in my letters on a Monday and Friday. As a reminder, I have attached the letter from Mrs Gallagher sent out last week about the Teacher's industrial action on page 3 and on page 2 is a reminder of key dates.

Best wishes,

Fran Sorapure

Head of School



Key dates reminder - March 2023

Monday 13	
Tuesday 14	
Wednesday 15	School closed NEU strike action
Thursday 16	School closed NEU strike action
Friday 17	Family Assembly Europe Class Yr 1 Red Nose Day & St Patrick's Day

Monday 20	
Tuesday 21	
Wednesday 22	Yr 4 go to Flatford
Thursday 23	Yr 4 in Flatford
Friday 24	Yr 4 return from Flatford Child Therapist Saskia parent talk KS2 hall 9am

Monday 27	
Tuesday 28	Parents Eve Yrs 2 & 6 Yr 5 school trip Ragged Museum
Wednesday 29	Yr 2 SATs information evening for parents at 5pm
Thursday 30	Easter Church Service Led by Yr 3 Parents Eve Yrs 2 & 6
Friday 31	Flatford Assembly Yr 4 parents and Carers End of term school finishes at 2pm



Dear Parents and Carers,

NEU Strike Action – Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023

Following my letter sent on Wednesday about NEU strike action, I am writing to inform you that, after assessing the impact of strike action, St Michael's Primary School will be **closed on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023.**

This decision has not been taken lightly and follows a thorough risk assessment. It is based on availability of staff and the need to meet safeguarding requirements. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils.

We will not be open for after school clubs on this day.

We will not be able to ask teachers to provide remote learning, as this would go against union guidance. However, children could continue with their reading, timetables practise through Rockstars and the range of activities on Purple Mash. An alternative source is the Oak Academy and BBC Bitesize to study topics they are currently learning in class.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year>

Our sincere apologies for the difficulties this may cause and the disruption to your child's learning, but unfortunately these circumstances are beyond our control. We understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect.

We will be open as usual on Friday 17th March.

Best wishes,

Geraldine Gallagher
Executive Headteacher