# Farnsfield St Michael's CofE Primary School Newsletter



#### 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023

Welcome back!! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter holiday.

Summer term is upon us and that means our 'Explore' term is under way. This term we have a Geography focus and lots of learning about our locality and wider world will be taking place. Children will hopefully get to enjoy some sunnier and drier weather, fingers crossed, and make the most of their outdoor learning to support their topic areas. They have all been posed their 'Big Questions' for our What if..? learning this term and can start to explore new ideas and develop their knowledge and understanding. Look out for the phase newsletters which will share what the children are doing in each year group.

We have all the usual exciting things that summer term brings such as: sports week, residentials, visits, leavers events, and much more lined up and the diary dates will show some of the planned events we have. Keep an eye on these though as the weeks pass by as they will be added to with more exciting events coming the children's way.

This year we have the addition of The King's Coronation. We will be closing school on Monday May 8<sup>th</sup> for the Bank Holiday but will be celebrating the coronation weekend in school on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>. We have an exciting special

menu for lunch that day and will be getting the children involved in activities to commemorate this day and will have a special gift for them to mark the occasion. An email will be sent out next week to inform you about a crown making competition which will be judged on the day and special prizes awarded. It will also be non-uniform; wear red, white and blue on the day.

I hope you all have had a great first week back and hope you have a wonderful weekend.



Best wishes, Louise Carpenter

BE COMPLETELY HUMBLE AND GENTLE; BE PATIENT, BEARING WITH ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE.

### This Week's Key Dates and Events

Y6 SATs Parents Meeting 5pm – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Y4 Swimming – Wednesday afternoon

Connect – Thursday 27th April

**Rainbow Worship – Friday** 

All clubs will continue as per advertised days and times

#### Reminder

School will be closed on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> May for bank holidays.

#### **NEU Strike Action**

School will be open as usual on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, unaffected by the intended strike action that has been planned by some teaching unions. Thank you.

### **King Charles III Coronation**

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May

#### **Coronation Lunch**

There will be a special lunch menu on that day as shown. If your child has school dinners, this will be the only option on that day. There will **not** be a jacket potato option. We will be sending you out a form to complete online for your child's choice of sandwich filling. This will come as a separate email. If your child would like a school dinner that day, you **must** fill in the form to order the sandwich choice. If your child usually has packed lunch from home but would like this special menu option, then they are very welcome to do so. Likewise, if they wish to bring their own packed lunch, then that is no problem either. We intend on a whole school celebration picnic on the school field if the weather allows.



# **PSA Coronation Bookmarks**

### Last chance to order

The PSA have the opportunity to commemorate the upcoming coronation and raise some funds for school. We are selling personalised bookmarks with the school's logo on. These are £1 and can be purchased on ParentPay, more than one can be purchased and will come home in school bags. **The deadline for all orders has been extended to 25<sup>th</sup> April**, unfortunately the minimum order is 100 so if we don't meet this threshold we will have to cancel this fundraiser and we will then refund parents.

Please do support the PSA with this and place your order today!



# **PSA – Please Help!**

### **Committee Meeting**



## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April at The Plough

The PSA really need your help. They cannot continue to fundraise and host events on behalf of the school without a full committee. It is vital that we get more support if the PSA are to continue.

Please do come along to the meeting and see how you may get involved. Thank you. Agenda for the meeting:

#### Farnsfield St Michael's C of E

Primary School

#### **PSA Committee Meeting**

Date: Thursday 27th April 2023

#### Time: 7:30pm

Location: The Plough Public House, Farnsfield

Chair: Lisa Hodgkiss

#### Items of business:

1.0 Welcome

2.0 Update from the Chair

- 3.0 Fundraising activities carried out
- 4.0 Fundraising activities planned

5.0 Recruitment (Chair and Events Coordinators x2)

6.0 Summer Fayre - 16th June 2023

7.0 Bank account update

8.0 Treasurer's report

9.0 AOB

## PSA Summer Fayre – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

ng all Stall Holders

The PSA are seeking stall holders to participate in the

St Michaels School Summer Fayre

Our summer fayre is being held after school on Friday 16th June.

This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your products and services to a large audience, connect with potential customers and support the local community.

We welcome all types of stall holders, including artisans, crafters, food vendors, and service providers.

Each stall holder will have a designated space reserved on the school field. Stall holders are responsible for providing their own table, gazebo or canopy, as well as any additional equipment or displays.

We're asking stall holders for a small £5.00 deposit to secure their space plus a donation of a prize for our event raffle. Payment must be received in full prior to the summer fayre. Fees are non-refundable. All funds raised will go towards benefiting the children's school experience during their time at St. Michael's.

To apply, please email us with the following information

Your name and contact information
A brief description of your products or services
A photo or two of your products
Any special requests or requirements

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until all spaces are filled. Selected stall holders will be notified at least 4 weeks prior the event. We look forward to hearing from you and working with you to make this event a success!

> Many Thanks Farnsfield St. Michaels PSA farnsfieldstmichaels-psa@hotmail.com



# **Connect After School Church Dates**



# Walk for Parkinson's

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, some of our children and staff in school are taking part in a charity fundraising walk to raise money for Parkinson's UK charity. This walk has been organised by John Butler, who many of you may remember as the previous school site manager. Ester, Harriett, Gracie, Thomas and Olivia, along with Mrs Vardy, Mrs Blount and Mrs Cargill, are all donning their walking shoes to undertake the hike setting off from The Plough. If you would like to support this cause please follow the link below:



John Butler is fundraising for Parkinson's UK (justgiving.com)

## Year 6 Book Club Reminder

Don't forget, Year 6 Book Club are meeting at break time on Wednesday (26th April) to discuss their latest book, The Queen's Fool.

Mrs Swales and Mrs Vardy

## Year 6 SATS meeting Reminder

Next Wednesday, 26th April, we will be holding a SATs information evening, at school, at 5pm. Parents and children are invited to attend. We hope it will be an opportunity to share information with you and chat through any questions or queries you may have.

Many thanks

Miss Lewis and Mr Marshall



# **Choir for the Summer Term**

Our KS2 Choir will start again next Friday (28<sup>th</sup> April) - both new and returning children are very welcome!

We will meet together on Friday lunchtimes in Class 8 to enjoy the power of music and the endorphins of singing.

If your child would like to be part of our choir, or would just like to try out something new, please do encourage them to come along.

As Miss Lewis said in her extra-curricular clubs email before Easter, we will be extending our choir to include Year 2 in the second half of the Summer Term, as part of their transition into KS2. Keep an eye out for our first meeting.

Mrs Swales



### Key dates this half term:

- Y6 SATs Parent Meeting 5pm Wednesday 26th April
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April CONNECT
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May Bank Holiday School Closed
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May Coronation Celebration Day. Picnic lunch, non-uniform, crown making competition
- Monday 8th May Bank Holiday School Closed
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATs Week
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May CONNECT
- WC Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May Y2 SATs week
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May KS1 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May UKS2 visit to Brackenhurst
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May CONNECT
- May Half Term Holidays Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June
- INSET Day Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June, return to school Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June

More information about all these events will follow

### Key dates for Y6 leavers for end of term:

- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Residential Hagg Farm, Derbyshire
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 10am Y6 Award Ceremony School Field parents welcome
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 6-8pm Y6 Leavers Party School Field children only
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2pm Y6 Leavers Church Service St Michael's parents welcome
- INSET Days Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July

More information about all these events will follow