

# Year 6 Summer Term

Dear Parents,

It seems hard to believe but we are now entering the final term of the children's primary school education! This is a really busy term with lots of visits and activities that the year 6 children are involved in, as well as the SAT tests and Secondary school induction. I have included below a calendar of events so you will have a better picture of when all of these are occurring.

When	What	Where
Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> May	SAT tests Mon – Thurs Friday – Cinema trip	Cineworld, Aldershot (details to follow)
20-22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Alderwood Induction days.	Children who will be going to Alderwood will spend these three days at their new school.
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Cricket Festival.(will involve at least 35 Y6 children)	Aldershot Cricket Club
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Leavers' Service for all Y6 children.	Guildford Cathedral
Weeks beginning 26 <sup>th</sup> June and 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	World of Work weeks - think Dragon's Den meets the Apprentice!	In school.
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Think Safe afternoon.	St John's Youth Activity centre, Farnborough
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	All Hallows Induction Morning.	Children who will be going to All Hallows will spend the morning at their new school.
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Farnham Heath End Induction days.	Children who will be going to FHE will spend these two days at their new school.
Week beginning 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Sex Education week – we will be sending a letter out about this week closer to the event.	In school
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day (If the weather is bad we have chosen 18 <sup>th</sup> July as a reserve date)	At School
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Leavers Assembly Leavers barbeque/ Party	0900 in the hall (parents invited) 1700 on the field (children only)
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Picnic Lunch End of Term	

## SATs

Here is the timetable for the week itself. All of these take place in the morning session from 9:00am for the first test and 10:45am if there is a second test. SATs breakfasts can be ordered through the school office and information about this was sent prior to Easter.

Date	Activity
Monday 8 May	English Reading
Tuesday 9 May	Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1 Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 2
Wednesday 10 May	Mathematics Paper 1 – arithmetic Mathematics Paper 2 – reasoning
Thursday 11 May	Mathematics Paper 3 – reasoning
Friday 12 May	No Science sampling will take place this year.

If your child is going to be absent on a test day because they are really poorly then please phone and tell us as soon as possible so we know not to delay the testing for no reason.

## Induction Days

All of the children have been invited to spend some time at their new school. On these days the children do not come to school at St Michael's but will go straight to the new school. They will need to wear St Michael's School uniform. If you have not had any information from your child's school then please contact the class teacher as soon as possible.

## Leavers Events

There are quite a few of these during the term. The main ones are:

- The Diocesan Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral which we attend because we are a church school. Unfortunately parents are unable to attend this due to lack of space.
- The Leavers assembly on the last Friday of term during which the children reflect on their time here.
- The Think Safe afternoon, which focusses on personal responsibility and safety.
- The Leavers' Party which is on the last Friday of school in the evening.

## Curriculum

Although the SATs will have passed in the first three weeks of the term, there is still a lot of learning to be completed. Writing is not assessed as part of the SATs and we then will have another month to create a writing portfolio for each child. It is this that forms the basis of our writing assessment grade.

Contrary to some children's belief we will not be having a party for 7 weeks, but the emphasis will certainly shift from Reading, Writing and Maths to a more balanced and (we hope) engaging curriculum. That said, the children will still be doing maths and writing and we still expect high standards of behaviour. We want them to enjoy their last summer at St Michael's – but also to gain something from their time as well.

If you have any queries or questions then please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. We will be happy to listen.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 team