



## St John with St Michael CE Primary School

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'I am the Light' John 8:12*



# Newsletter

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022: Follow us on Twitter: @stjohnstmichael

## Message from the Head:

I am delighted to confirm that our conversion date for joining the Forward As One Academy Trust has now been agreed. We will be joining the FA1 Trust on the **1<sup>st</sup> February 2022**. This is a very exciting time for our school, as we take the opportunity to work collaboratively within our Trust family of schools, to provide our pupils with the best possible education and support.

## Collective Worship:

In collective worship this half term, we will be thinking about our school value of love, we will also be thinking about the value of perseverance.

## Tree Planting:

To celebrate joining our Academy Trust, all our pupils will have the opportunity to plant trees on our school site. Our tree planting day will take place on the **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022**. Children will learn about the important role trees play for our environment.



## Valentines Disco:

On **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022**, we will be having a valentines disco. EYFS and Class 2 disco will take place at **3.30pm until 4.30pm**

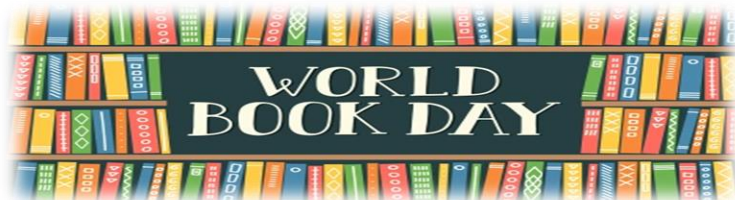
Class 3 and Class 4 will take place at **4.30pm to 5.30pm**

Tickets for the disco will cost **£2** per child and this will include a biscuit and a drink.



## World Book Day:

On **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022**, SJSM will be celebrating **World Book Day**. Children will be welcome to attend school dressed as their favourite book character. We will be asking for a **£1** donation and all money raised will go towards purchasing new books for our school library. If anyone would like to donate any books for our library, we will be happy to accept them.



## Term Time Holiday:

**Reminder:** We cannot authorise holidays during term time. If you choose to take your child out of school for a holiday, during term time, this will automatically incur a fine from the Local Authority.

## Holidays:

School closes: **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

School reopens: **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February** is an INSET Training Day.

## Payments:

Please can we ask parents to pay any owed money for school lunches or anything else on Scopay by the end of January.

As of **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February**, we will be transferring over to a new payment system via Arbor. You will receive information on how to set up your new payment account before the **1<sup>st</sup> February**.

## Traffic/ Parking:

We have received a complaint from residents about parking and unsafe driving. Please can we ask you to take care when driving up Moss Side Street and please can we ask you to be courteous to our residents who live near the school by not parking in their spaces.

## Reading Books:

Please can we ask all parents to ensure reading books are brought to school daily. It is important that children have their book in school to either read with an adult or to change their book. Thank you.

## Behaviour:

Thank you to everyone who completed our behaviour survey. We appreciate your feedback. We have taken the decision to simplify our school rules. Our new rules are as follows:

Our school has three simple rules: '**Be Ready, Be Respectful and Be Safe**'. Our three simple school rules are further explored and explicitly taught in class, assemblies and other school experiences.

For example, they might be expanded as follows:

**Be ready**

I will help myself and others to learn by being in the right place, with the right equipment and ready to listen and complete my work.

**Be respectful**

I will listen and talk politely to adults and other pupils; and look after equipment and other people's possessions.

**Be safe**

I will be kind and look after myself and others, following appropriate instructions from adults.

## Vision for Education:

It is our aim that every pupil who attends St John with St Michael, is given the opportunity to thrive within the environment we provide, aiming for excellence, always. Pupils experience an ambitious curriculum from the moment they join us in Early Years. The curriculum at St John with St Michael is designed to reflect the community we serve which is growing in diversity.

Our vision for education for all pupils at St John with St Michael is that pupils:

- develop the wisdom, knowledge and skills to enable them to flourish in the next stages of their education
- develop their understanding of hope and aspiration and how this can be fulfilled
- value the worth of each person within our school community, treating them with dignity and respect
- develop the qualities of life which will help them contribute responsibly to their communities

Our vision for education is underpinned by our school's Christian Ethos and Values of LIGHT:

**Love, Integrity, Generosity, Hope, and Togetherness.**

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