

The M Paper

Written by the pupils and staff at Michaelchurch Escley Primary School

Thursday 14th September 2017

Welcome Back!!

The new term has got off to a fantastic start and everyone seems to have big smiles on their faces (staff and children!). This week we've welcomed the new Year R children – Gilly, George, Izzy, George, Ayla and Nicciola along with Preschool Children (and Staff) who also started this week, so school is feeling very vibrant.

Please note the new day for the M Paper is now **Thursdays**. I also wanted to remind everyone that my working days are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday so if you'd like to catch me, please try on one of those days. On Thursday and Fridays, Mr Crocker is 'in-charge' so anything urgent he will deal with, although he is teaching as well, so please be mindful of that! If neither of us are easily available and it's not urgent, any member of staff is, of course, happy to chat as well, although after school is much easier as teachers are busy preparing lessons in the mornings. We really value communication.

I know the Sapling children are excited about their Camp tomorrow evening (as is Mr Crocker and Miss Cook) so already the term is getting off to an exciting start. Let's hope the weather is good for them!

Louise Crocker

BOOK BAGS

Book bags are available from the School Office (£6). We are really keen that ALL children in school have a book bag this year as it makes it a lot quicker and easier for teachers to check communication books, reading books and homework etc. Hopefully, it also supports daily reading, spelling practise and communication at home as well. Staff in Acorn and Sapling class will check book bags every morning for any correspondence and Oak Class will be reminded daily if they have any messages. If you don't have one yet - we would really like all children to have them!



Violin Lessons

Violin will now be on Wednesdays.

If your child would like to learn to play the violin please email Rachel.

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Michaelchurch Escley Primary Social Group

Just a quick reminder of the upcoming nights.

Dads night out Thursday 28th September ,drinks at The Bridge, Michaelchurch 8pm and Mums night out, Thursday October 5th drinks at The Bridge Michaelchurch.
All welcome!

Acorn Class Request

Acorn class are in need of some kitchen towel rolls,

If you have any spare at home, please bring them in, over the next few weeks.

BINGO

Friday the 22nd of September at Escleyside Hall.

7:30

Good prizes and a raffle

Everyone welcome, including children.

Come along and raise money for Escleyside Hall!

LONGTOWN CASTLE FUN DAY – 16th September 2017

The Castle Fun Day is only just round the corner and we really hope you'll want to bring the kids along – it's a **FREE** event for the local area and in particular, children. There will be a horse –led procession from Longtown Village Hall to Castle Green, starting at 12.30pm. We would love you to come in medieval costume if you can – there are some ideas attached. Norman helmets for the kids will be available on the day if you haven't had time to make your own.

The programme of events includes:-

- 12.30 Procession from village hall
- 1.00 Hog Roast
- 1.30 Falconry display
- 2.00 Olchon Orchestra
- 2.30 Longbow Archery display
- 3.00 Kids Tug-of-War
- 3.30 Falconry on horseback display
- 4.00 Jester, Fire-eater, & juggling
- 4.30 Kids battle re-enactment with local theatre group

There will also be demonstrations going on through the day of traditional crafting, including swordmaking, spinning, wood turning, basket weaving, with opportunities to have a go.

There will be stocks, medieval instruments, and a hedgewitch!!

Please come – it should be a great day's entertainment for the children and a cheap one!!

DIARY DATES

Mon 18th Sept	Clubs start
Fri 15th Sept	Sapling Class Camp 2:45-10:00 (Saturday)
Sat 16th Sept	Longtown Castle Fun Day
Fri 29th Sept	Year 6 Bikeability
Sat 30th Sept	Parents help work morning 9-12 (then shared picnic lunch)
Thurs 5th Oct	Oak Class Assembly 2:15
Wed 18th Oct	Diwali celebration, parents welcome in the afternoon
Sun 22nd Oct	Michaelchurch School and Community Harvest Service
Mon 23rd Oct- Fri 27th Oct	HALF TERM
Mon 20th Nov	11:00-14:30 Nasal flu YR,1,2,3,4
Thurs 30th Nov	Sapling Class Assembly 2:15
Tues 12th Dec	Evening Nativity
Wed 13th Dec	Evening Nativity (reserve date)
Thurs 14th Dec	Pantomime
Tues 19th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Party
Tues 19th Dec	Last day of term, please note this is different from the Herefordshire website