

The M Paper

6th November 2020

Dear All,

I hope everyone had a good half term, despite the rain and wind! It has been the most fantastic start to the new half term and seeing the sun shining this week has been a wonderful change. We've started the new term with around 97% attendance and nearly every family arriving in the mornings promptly! Thank you so much! This has allowed the children to quickly settle back into their school routines and it's been fantastic catching up with everyone in the last few days.

Lock down

As you're all aware, the second lock down has begun. Luckily for primary schools, this will have little impact and children should all continue coming in as normal. We reviewed our Covid risk assessment over the half term and are confident that the measures we have in place are providing a safe (but friendly) environment for the children and staff. Thank you to all adults for wearing masks at the start and end of the day. Just to clarify, we are **not** asking children to wear masks at any point.

Christmas

During our INSET day, we discussed our Christmas plans. We will still have a Christmas decoration day, Christmas dinner and 'bubble' Christmas parties. However, the events that sadly will not take place this year; a trip to Hereford Panto, our walking nativity or the Carols in the Court. However, we are planning on still producing a nativity which we will do in our bubbles and then film and be able to share with you later in the term. We also are hoping to have an alternative panto one afternoon that will be held in school, in our bubbles. More details will follow about these plans.

Mrs Louise Crocker



Upcoming Events

November 10

Sapling Class Parent updates

November 19

Year R&1 Eye test

December 10

Flu Vaccination

Other Information

After School Clubs

We will not be running any after school clubs this half term. After school childcare provision will be available if required.

Outdoor Clothing

Please ensure children have suitable clothing to be outside in any weather. Where possible please leave waterproof clothing at school.



Governor Position

Are you enthusiastic about education?

Do you have some time to spare?

If so, then you may be just the person we need!

We are looking for committed people to join Michaelchurch Escley Primary and Preschool's Governing Board.

We have a number of vacancies and would welcome applications particularly from people with experience in:

- Finance (Accountant, Finance Manager etc)
- Human Resources
- Health and Safety (H&S officer, union rep etc)

If you would like to find out more about how you can contribute to governance at our school, or have any questions about being a governor, then please contact the school office. They will then arrange for a governor to contact you.

**Where was Mr Crocker
this morning????**



Calling all foragers!

I run a little wild food business called Forage Fine Foods and have had a late request for a lot of sloes –and so am putting out a plea for sloes! If you have access to hedgerows with permission to gather from, in unpolluted spots, I pay £5 a kilo – they will be stored frozen so if you would like to gather sloe-ly you can freeze them as you pick.

If you have any queries please get in touch with me, Liz Knight on 01873 860347 or hello@foragefinefoods.com

Thank you & happy picking!

(whilst lots of hedgerows have been cut back, there are still a lot of sloes around and probably will be for a couple more weeks)

