



The Good News

Learning to love; love to learn



Our School Vision links to the Good Samaritan—to help and care for each other

It is safe to say that this hasn't been the start to 2021 that we expected or wanted, but I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all.

A huge thank you to the staff at the school who have worked tirelessly over the past two weeks to be in making sure the school is running plus teaching the children that we still have in school with us as well as getting all of the home learning resources out for those who aren't at the moment. From next week you will be able to speak with the teachers on Zoom and have some pre-recorded lesson starters / instructions for key sessions which should help us all feel that we are a bit closer together. As a small school we don't have as many staff as lots of other schools, but I have to say that the ones that we do have are fantastic!

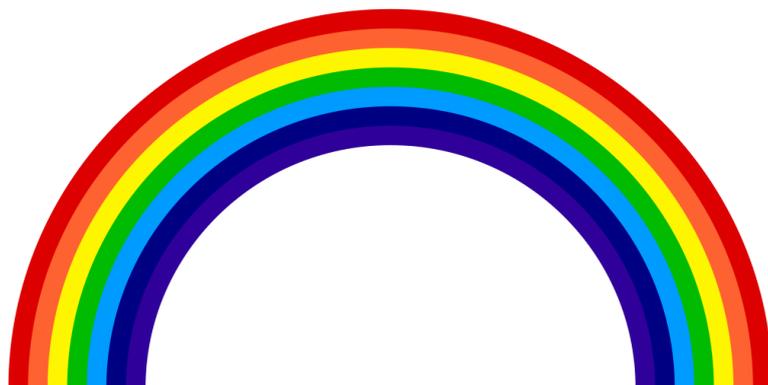
I want to thank all of the parents / carers who have been forced back in to the role of home educators again - we know it is far from ideal but you are doing an amazing job. Please remember to be kind to yourselves and not put too much pressure on your shoulders to do every last piece of work possible with the children. Take breaks, do other things as well as school work to keep you all going, watch some BBC Bitesize on CBBC as there are great programmes on and don't feel that what you are doing isn't appreciated as you are doing your absolute best for your children.

I also want to thank all of the children. We would dearly love to have you all back in school with us as it's the best place for you to do your learning, but that's just not possible at the moment. So, thank you for trying to work at home. Thank you for being patient with your parents as they are trying so hard to do the absolute best for you. Thank you for the work that you are sharing with your teachers as they love to see it.

Also, a huge thank you to the rest of our lovely school community - the Governors for supporting the school, extended families keeping in touch with each other to support everyone and to Mr Cope for continuing to support us all in such trying times.

I truly hope that you all have the best possible weekend. Take care and stay safe.

Mr Saunders



Keep in touch with your friends in lockdown
you could even send them a letter!

It's so exciting to get something in the post.



Ideas for Lockdown fun

Whatever activities you get up to this week please send us a picture of what you've been up to so we can share with all your friends in next weeks Newsletter.

Why not send us a recipe of what you've cooked or baked or other fun ideas you've come up with?

If you have any suggestions of items you would like to see in the newsletter, do please let us know.

Anything you want to send us should be emailed to
secretary@stmicheast.co.uk

**From all of the staff at St Michael's
Easthampstead.....**

We miss you!

Can't wait until we are back together



How about something to keep the children entertained in a fun and exciting way?

Dani Harmer Academy Ltd are delighted to offer online classes in Performing Arts. These lessons are scheduled so that they do not interfere with your child's online learning.

Classes consist of Musical Theatre, Street Dance and Drama. Classes are bookable via our online registration and booking system, ClubsBuddy at a cost of £3 per class. If this is of interest to you, please click on the link below:

<https://dha.clubsbuddy.net>

These lessons offer a light relief for students and parents during the lockdown. They will be fun whilst still learning the performing arts. Our staff, Dani, JJ, Jodie & Gracie look forward to meeting you.

Bookings are now open and close at 7pm the day before the classes in order for us to send out Zoom details.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me on:

jill@daniharmeracademy.com

Faith; Wisdom; Honesty, Trust; Courage



Prayer



Our School Prayer Group are praying for you all - please do email us any prayer requests. This week we have been praying for; Our amazing staff, you lovely Parents, Miss Robinson as our leader and our wonderful children!

Here is a Prayer for Parents to pray and below a Prayer for the children to pray

Dear Heavenly Father

Thank you that you are our Lord and Saviour , that even in these difficult times you are with us, loving us.

Lord help us to remember that however we are feeling we can talk to you about it. Lord I thank you that you take our anxieties and hurts and fight the battle for us.

I thank you that you are always our friend and Father.

Lord we lift the St Michael's Parents to you now, we pray protection over them from illness and anxiety. We ask you to pour out your blessings over them. Give them wisdom, strength and patience as we go through this lockdown together.

Lord we lift children everywhere to you, where they can't understand fully our countries situation right now, help us to find the right words to comfort and love them, Lord, keep them safe and well - let them thrive in this season.

Help us to flourish together as families , Lord

Amen

Prayer for our children to pray:

Dear Jesus

Thank you that you love me

Thank you for the blue sky today

Life is really strange at the moment ,

Please help me when I worry about things

Please look after all the grown ups that are helping people

And the ones that are poorly

I cant wait to see all my family and friends again

Amen

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