



# St Michael's VA Junior School

## What's happening week commencing 6th December 2021

<http://www.stmichaelsjuniorschool.co.uk/>



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- W/B Monday 6th Dec **CHRISTMAS JUMPERS** can be worn from today, any day or every day
- Mon 6th to Fri 10th Dec Last week for all Clubs
- Tuesday 7th Dec Upper School Disco 3.15-4.30 (see page 2 for further details)
- Wednesday 8th Dec Lower School Disco 3.15-4.30 (see page 2 for further details)
- Wednesday 8th Dec Theatre visiting the school ~ Cinderella (for all year groups)
- Wednesday 8th Dec Year 5 Carols on the Amphitheatre 2.00pm-2.25pm
- Wednesday 8th Dec Year 6 Carols on the Amphitheatre 2.30pm-2.55pm
- Thursday 9th Dec Year 4 Carols on the Amphitheatre 2.00pm-2.25pm
- Thursday 9th Dec Year 3 Carols on the Amphitheatre 2.30pm-2.55pm
- Friday 10th Dec Christmas Dinner - please order in the usual way
- Friday 10th Dec Christmas Jumper Day ~ in aid of Save the Children
- Friday 10th Dec Santa Dash ~ run or walk a mile within the school grounds
- Friday 17th Dec Christmas Fayre ~ Children only during school hours
- Friday 17th Dec School finishes at 1.15pm (There will be no After School Provision on this day)
- Wednesday 5th Jan **Return to School**



### Book Amnesty

Please have a good look round your homes for any school books which may not have been returned. We seem to have lost quite a few over the last few months, so we will be having a "Book Amnesty" with boxes placed in classrooms for the children to drop their library books into. Thanks for your help with this.

### Safer School Run



We ask parents to support the school as we take steps to ensure the roads around school are safe for our children. We have signed up to the Norfolk County Council Safe School Run scheme and information is attached to this bulletin.

Please help us to keep your children safe by walking when possible, parking considerately and following the Highway Code at all times.

### Chartwells WINTER MENU



Week Beginning

6th December 2021

**WEEK 2**

See website for full menu, click on link below

<http://www.stmichaelsjuniorschool.co.uk/parents-carers/school-meals/>

**PLEASE NOTE THE MAIN MEAL ON WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER WILL BE CHICKEN GOUJONS.**

## CINDERELLA

**THEATRE VISITING THE SCHOOL TO PERFORM CINDERELLA ON WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS**



### Christmas Dinner

**Friday 10th December.**

Order via ParentPay on the usual weekly menu **And wear your Christmas jumper!**



## St Michael's VA Junior School Uniform

We appreciate that school buildings are colder than usual as we have to ensure the classrooms are well ventilated to reduce the spread of Covid. Added to that, the government has recently asked schools to consider the costs of uniform. We have tried hard to source uniform that is affordable, but we have made some changes which may help parents provide suitable clothing for school.

Black/grey trousers, leggings, jogging bottoms or skirt or pinafore dress

Low heeled dark shoes or black trainers

Burgundy polo-shirt (with or without the logo) or standard white polo shirt or standard white shirt

Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without the logo)

Gingham summer school dress (any colour)

Black or grey shorts

PE Kit:

Pale blue t-shirt (with or without the logo)

Dark blue shorts (with or without the logo)

Warm tracksuit or similar for winter (any colour)

Trainers or plimsols



Children are expected to come to school in their PE kit on PE days. Branded uniform can be order through the supplier Screens. See our website for details.



Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 10th  
December.

Suggested  
£1 charity  
donation



payable via ParentPay

## A CHANCE TO WIN

You can collect tokens printed in the Eastern Daily Press and Norwich Evening News. **All schools that participate will win £100 worth of books, while the school that collects the most will win £1,000 worth.**

Two runners-up will be given £500 worth.

**Please ask your child to give any tokens you collect to their teacher.**

Thank you.



## Upper and Lower School Disco

- \* Upper School Disco Tuesday 7th December 3:15pm until 4:30pm
- \* Lower School Disco Wednesday 8th December 3:15pm until 4:30pm
- \* £2 payable via ParentPay
- \* Children may bring their disco clothes in a bag to change in to at the end of the school day.
- \* All children must be picked up unless the school have been notified that they can walk home on their own. Thank you.

## SANTA DASH

We will be doing a 'Santa Dash' on **Friday 10th December** which coincides with **Christmas Jumper day**.



**All the children** (and adults) will **run/walk a mile dressed in their jumpers, Christmas hats, etc.**

The idea is to have a bit of fun and encourage physical activity. This is a National Event.



**PLEASE FOLLOW THE SCHOOL ON THESE SITES SO YOU CAN SEE ALL OUR WONDERFUL ACTIVITIES, TOGETHER WITH ANY UPDATES.**



St. Michael's V.A. Junior School  
on Facebook or @STMJuniorschool



Our Twitter page can be found by searching @SJuniorschool



# Parking information



We all want the school gates to be a safe environment for our children and young people. Schools can encounter parking issues especially where there may be narrow roads, parking restrictions, vans, buses and so on, they become very busy particularly at the start and end of the school day. There are many things we can all do to increase safety around the school gates. The following information leaflet will help provide guidance for everyone on what to do and who to contact if you encounter any parking issues.



## Key facts about parking and restrictions

It is useful to understand what parking restrictions you might encounter on the school run and what they mean. The following summarises some of the parking situations that may be encountered.

## Parking legally and in non-restricted areas

There may be parking restrictions in residential areas, for example parking in an area where there are on-street parking restrictions in operation means the vehicle may be illegally parked. To clarify: -

- Prohibited parking - this is where there are yellow lines or clearway restrictions in operation
  - Double yellow lines apply at all times and will be in place to protect the safety of all road users
  - Single yellow lines apply some of the time and control when you can and cannot park.
  - Yellow zig zags mean you may not even stop to let passengers out of the vehicle.
- In some areas parking is permitted but only for controlled periods, signs on the street will tell you the maximum permitted length of stay.
- Some areas of Norfolk operate resident parking permit schemes which prevent anyone but a resident from parking in an area. Always check for signs to inform you of this.

If you encounter a vehicle parked in a location where not permitted, you can report this to the Civil Enforcement Officers managed by the local council.

- Norwich Area - email Norwich City Council [info@norwich.gov.uk](mailto:info@norwich.gov.uk)

## Parking considerately

There is no legal entitlement to park on a public road directly outside a house, therefore anyone may park outside a residential property, as long as there are no restrictions in place, i.e. permit parking or yellow lines - if there are restrictions, please refer to above.

What does inconsiderate parking look like?

- Park on verges and on pavements



- Park immediately either side of a dropped kerb
- Park opposite a dropped kerb or driveway entrance
- Take up too much space

If you experience inconsiderate parking, you will need to speak with the driver of the vehicle to find a solution.

Vehicles should not cause obstruction to pavement users. Wheelchairs or pushchairs need to be able to pass without entering into the road. If you can still drive around a vehicle that is wider than average it is not an obstruction. If you have encountered a vehicle causing a complete obstruction you can contact the Police on their non-emergency number (101) or using the [report online](#) facility.

### **Parking across Driveways**

If a vehicle has parked across a dropped kerb and this prevents the householder from accessing their driveway, this may be an offence of wilful obstruction (Section 137 of the Highways Act 1980), **this can be reported to the Police using the 101 service** or the [report online](#) facility.

Civil Enforcement Officers also have powers under the Traffic Management Act (2004) to enforce against vehicles that are parked across a dropped kerb. They will only do this if permission from the householder is given in advance in writing and this will be applied to any vehicle (including the residents) parking.

### **Parking on a pavement & obstructions**

Pavements are a safe place for people to walk on, so any pavement parking is a concern. Pavements need to be kept free of obstructions:

- To enable the independence of the vulnerable, older, or disabled people who may have visual or mobility impairments
- To allow families with pushchairs to safely walk on the pavement without having to walk into the road to go around vehicles parked on the pavement
- To avoid damage to paths and creating further maintenance costs as pavement surfaces are not designed to carry heavy vehicles such as cars

There is no national prohibition against parking on a pavement, *except in London* but it is considerate to avoid parking on and obstructing the footpath. In some areas of Norfolk Traffic Regulation Orders have been implemented that prevent parking on the verge. These are identified by signs at the side of the road. Yellow lines apply from the centre of the road to the back of the verge/footway and a Penalty Charge Notice could be issued to a parked vehicle.

It is an offence under Section 72 of the Highways Act 1835 to drive onto the pavement, whether the intention is to park or not.

This could also be considered as an offence of wilful obstruction (Section 137 of the Highways Act 1980). Both these offences are criminal offences and should be reported to your **local Police Safer Neighbourhood Team via their webpage** <https://www.norfolk.police.uk/your-area>. If there is a more urgent need for the police to attend, please call 101 or use the [report online](#) facility.

**Exceptions to the rules advised on this leaflet apply to disabled blue badge holders, For more information visit [Government Website Blue Badge Scheme](#)**

