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Dear Parents,

World Book Day & Poetry Festival

We have had a fantastic book and poetry week. On Thursday, everyone dressed up as their favourite book character and the children (and teachers) looked brilliant. The week was rounded off with our poetry festival. All the finalists won a prize and recited their preferred poem in assembly this afternoon. Thank you for supporting us with the wonderful costumes and for helping the children learn their poems. The children have all been fantastic. I hope they have enjoyed learning and sharing the poetry books.

The annual book fair will be held in school between the 12th-14th March at 3.30pm, and the token can be used towards any book worth £2.99 or more.

Backpacks

We have received a stock of junior backpacks and these can be purchased from the school office for £10 each. Reading folders are still £4.50 and PE bags are £3.50.

Online App Warning

An app called 'Movie Star Plane', has recently been in the news for its inappropriate content for users. This app says it is for age 8+. However, the language is very strong, using a lot of swearing and introduces children to suggestions such as self-harming and bullying. This site also uses avatars which can be seen to be acting in inappropriate ways. I understand this app has been around for years and I'm sure there are other apps/sites which are equally inappropriate, however I would strongly urge all parents to check whether their children are accessing this site and if so to take the appropriate action to keep their children safe online.

PTFA

Details of all future events will be posted on the PTFA section of our school's website and in future newsletters. These include: an Easter Bingo night - 22nd March, a spring colouring competition and a future disco on May 24th. The PTFA not only organise these social events for all the school community but they also provide financial assistance to school. They raise monies for special events such as funding the science workshops during our Science Theme Week and funding an author's visit into school which is scheduled for the summer term. These events enrich the lives of all our children at St. Michael's. I highly commend the PTFA to you and ask you to consider if there is a way of getting involved a little more with one of its many activities. Further information and contacts can be obtained through the school office. The next meeting will be held on April 16th at 7.30pm in The Plough - is someone in your family able to join us?

Church Events -

Church Family Quiz Night - Saturday 3rd March

Tomorrow March 3rd "FAF", (Fundraising and Fun) has organised a "Family Quiz Night" in aid of "The Church Windows Restoration Fund". The event will take place at Grimsargh St. Michael's School, starting at 7pm. Cost is £5 a team (up to 6) or £1 for an individual. There will be questions for all the family, including children, and there will be a prize for the best decorated table with an Easter theme, although decorating your table is entirely optional. There will be a raffle and a few games of chocolate bingo; you are invited to bring your own refreshments. You can be in a team of 2- 6, or if you would like to come as an individual you can join a team on the night! Everyone, from 2 to 92 is very welcome. Although payment is on the door, if you think that you would like to come, please call Jayne Woollam on 704112, text/call Jayne on 07749934208, email jaynewoollam@hotmail.co.uk, or sign the list at the back of church, so that we have a "rough" idea of numbers.

The Italian Orchard - Saturday 14th April

"FAF" (The church's Fundraising and Fun committee) has organised a family meal at "The Italian Orchard" on Saturday 14th April, at 12 midday. Last year the event was hugely successful, but we hope that more families will come and share this time of fellowship and fun. The cost is £15 for 2 courses, although children's prices will be discounted. You can pay on the day, but it would help organisers, if you could sign the list at the back of church or contact Jayne on the contact details given above if you would like to join us.

Grimsargh Open Gardens - July 2018

This is a plea from "FAF" to anyone with a "beautiful" garden in Grimsargh to help the Church host an "Open Gardens" afternoon, probably on the afternoon of Sunday 15th July, although this date has yet to be confirmed. If you, your friends or relatives have a beautiful garden, we would be very happy to hear from you, especially if you could consider opening it for a couple of hours on the afternoon of Sunday 15th, July. There will be no need to provide refreshments, as refreshments will be provided at the end of the walk. If you think you can help, please contact church, call Jayne Woollam on 704112, text/call Jayne on 07749934208 or email jaynewoollam@hotmail.co.uk.

Thank you.

Best wishes

Miss J Moss
Associate Headteacher

Diary Dates

5 March	Full governors' meeting
5 March	Y5 - Cobble Hey Farm visit
6 March	Y5 - King George's Hall, Sing Together
9 March	Y5 - Liverpool Philharmonic concert
12 -14 March	Book fair in the hall
13 March	Y4 - STEM, Longridge High School
16 March	Clubs finish
23 March	Easter service 9.15am
23 March	School closes for Easter 3.30pm



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