

The St Michael Steiner School

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Dates for Your Diary

JULY

Tue 7 — 6pm Class 6&7 Play

Wed 8 — St John's Festival

Wed 8 — 1-2.30pm SSC Presentation

Thu 9 — END OF SCHOOL YEAR

SEPTEMBER

Mon 7 — Inset Day (no school)

Tue 8 — Inset Day (no school)

Wed 9 — START OF SCHOOL YEAR

OCTOBER

Thu 22 — School Ends for Half-Term

Fri 23 — Inset Day (no school)

NOVEMBER

Mon 2 — Back to School

Class 3 Camp



Towards the end of the year, as part of our farming block we went camping for 4 days and 3 nights at Plaw Hatch farm, a biodynamic farm in East Sussex. For most children it was their first experience camping, sleeping outside, and being away from their parents. Our days were structured through the 3 main meals and various farm tasks the children had: feeding the chickens and collecting their eggs, herding the cows and watching them being milked. We were also shown the process of making yoghurt and cheese and the gardener showed us the various stages of seeding, planting and harvesting vegetables. We all had rich experiences on the farm.

Between meals and the farm tasks there was plenty of time to play, jump over the brook, build a dam, follow my leader etc. the children had a wonderful, sunfilled summertime.

A few comments at the end of our stay from the children: "It was far too short" "When are we camping again?" "Now we are also farmers."

Dorothea van Breda

The St Michael High School

Wednesday 8th July 2015, 1-2.30pm

An exhibition and presentation
about our work with the
Steiner School Certificate

A real alternative to GCSEs and A-Levels.

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SUMMER FAIR REVIEW

Thank you all so much for the wonderful day that was our Summer Fair. It was a truly joyous occasion which was so well organised, but felt spontaneous at the same time.

A special thank you to Jasmine Sterianos and to everyone who pitched in before, during and after the event. Jasmine has informed us that the grand total of £4,672.31 was raised. All that money and fun too!

More Thank Yous:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported/helped the faculty in the running of the school during the last academic year.

Our community works together in myriad ways.

Offering a wide variety of professional advice, gardening, running workshops and craft groups, helping with class building projects, accompanying School trips, fundraising events creating festivals ,

The list goes on and on.

We hope you all have a well deserved Summer Break.

With deep gratitude,
from Eleni, Leigha, and Katie
'The Outreach Group'
On behalf of the Faculty



News from the Early Years

The End of Year Festival

Cling ding ding, the Summer bells are ringing,
There's laughter on the hills, the daisies show their frills,
Cling ding ding, we welcome Summer King!

Cling ding ding, the Summer bells are ringing,
The shepherd pipes all day, the lambkins frisk and play,
Cling ding ding, we welcome Summer King!

We will be celebrating our End of Year Festival on Wednesday, 8th July. All parents and children are invited to arrive at 8.30am for family crafts and a Puppet Show, followed by our big children riding off on their horses. Parents with older siblings will be free from around 9.30am to see the Lower School festival of work. The whole school will come together for a lunchtime picnic on the front lawn. A full schedule for the morning will be available soon for all parents.

All kindergarten children and their parents are invited to Bushy Park for a family walk and picnic on Thursday 9th July. We will meet at 9am outside the Pheasantry café and will conclude the morning at 12 noon, giving parents time to return to school for collecting siblings. Please ask another parent to care for your child if you are unable to come yourself and speak to one of the staff members to let us know.

Other News

In June, for the second time our school hosted a group of sixteen early years practitioners from around Hounslow to complete their practical training to become Forest School Leaders. All were greatly interested in our school's philosophy and enjoyed a visit to the kindergarten during their stay.

Our Guinea Pig needs a loving home over the summer holiday. If you would like to help care for him, please let us know – we can provide equipment to help you – he would like a grassy lawn if possible, and will help you keep your grass short without using a mower!

A huge thank you to all parents for your support over the past year, it has been a wonderful year together and a privilege for us to care for your children.

We wish you all a very happy, peaceful and enjoyable summer holiday.

With love from the Early Years Team
Maria Costa, Jeannette Cubeque Rey,
Leigha Hipkin & Katie Sharrock.



COMMUNITY PAGES

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHOOL DOES NOT ENDORSE OR RECOMMEND, EITHER IN GENERAL OR IN PARTICULAR, ANYTHING OFFERED IN THE COMMUNITY PAGES AND PARENTS ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THE QUALIFICATIONS OF PRACTITIONERS OR PEOPLE OFFERING SERVICES HERE.

Rural cottage in Mallorca, surrounded by orchards, with swimming pool, looking out towards the mountains. It is off the tourist track but 5 mins from the village and the main road to Palma airport, 15 to 20 mins to mountains and beaches and equally ideal for a family holiday or a personal retreat. There is also some separate accommodation in the grounds, so that two families could share, while living independently.

Contact Graham
kennish46@gmail.com

Dear Parents,

My name is Frances Macgregor and I'm a nanny on the Steiner Waldorf Kindergarten training looking for a new place to live and a new nanny job from the end of the summer/beginning of the new school year. I'm flexible as to whether this is somewhere to live and a separate job or a live in position, full or part time. I have over 10 years of childcare experience and for the last three years have been working as a nanny in London. I'm calm, creative and reliable. I love to sing, make things, spend time in parks, visit museums and help children to learn about the world around them. I have experience with children of all ages, especially babies and under 7's. I have a current DBS check, first aid certificate from July 2014 and I don't smoke or drive. Please contact me for my CV and references. My email address is frances_childcare@hotmail.com and my phone number is 07722361385. I look forward to hearing from you and answering any questions you may have.

Best wishes for a lovely summer, Frances

I recently joined the London Wide LETTS Exchange scheme which facilitates skills sharing and exchange through a website and regular meetings. We could take advantage of this scheme to facilitate similar exchange and ideas sharing within our own community.

The details of the LETTS scheme are: London-wide Local Exchange Trading Scheme
• www.londonwide.letslink.org • london@letslink.org • 020-7607-7852

I'm going to set up a website in the next few weeks called letslinkhamptonhill.co.uk to facilitate skills sharing and to explore ways in which we could collectively benefit the school through mentoring or sharing ideas and skills. I will have a forum on this website which we can all use just by registering. I invite you to also join both the LETTS scheme and register with the forum on my website so we can begin to form mutually beneficial relationships and thereby benefit the school collectively.

If you do register with the website and scheme please let me know.

Mujeeb Habib - **Mujeeb.habib@gmx.com** • **07740302691**

If you have something you would like to contribute to the Newsletter - maybe you would like to write something about a school event, or maybe you have been to an interesting talk outside the school, or perhaps you have a selection of photos! - send your contributions to admin@stmichaelsteiner.hounslow.sch.uk The deadline for the next newsletter is Monday 1st June.