



ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS C. E. (FOUNDATION) PRIMARY AND PRE-SCHOOL

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12 July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Teaching Assistants

As you will no doubt be aware from recent media coverage, school budgets are incredibly difficult to manage in the current climate. This is something that is affecting us here at St Michaels. As a result of this, we have had to reduce teaching assistants' working hours and think creatively and adapt how we use staff across school.

Next year, teaching assistants will be working differently to how they have in the past. Previously, the teaching assistants were class-based with specific responsibilities and focused intervention groups. Moving forward, teaching assistants will mainly be where specific children have funding, obviously they will work with groups and other children where appropriate. They will also be working across classes at times. Children were told this week which teaching assistant they will be having in September working in their classes. There may be some tweaks in the future, as we are still waiting to hear about some additional funding for children.

I think we all agree that we want more funding for schools so that children receive the best education. We are grateful to have such flexible and talented staff who strive to ensure that all children are happy, successful and enjoy their learning.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Berry

Head Teacher

Pre-school	Mrs Bates, Mrs Cahill & Miss Holden
Reception	Mrs Longstaff & Mrs Gardner
Year 1	Mrs Allsopp
Year 2	Mrs Walsh
Year 3	Miss Rivers
Year 4	Mrs Hobson
Year 5	Mrs Prentice
Year 6	Mrs Nalton

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