

St Michael's Church of England Academy

NEWSLETTER

February 2020 Update



Dear Parents

I would like to introduce myself as the new Head of Academy at St Michael's.

I am an experienced Headteacher with over 20 years teaching experience and an Early Years Specialist Leader in Education, supporting Early Years provision in schools and nurseries across the South West.

Having always lived and worked in Torbay, I am determined to ensure that children at St Michael's are able to access an exceptional academic provision in a Church of England school. I strongly believe that every child deserves the very best education in order to secure a brilliant future for themselves. St Michael's provides a truly unique and exciting opportunity to improve prospects for children locally and I am thrilled to have been appointed as the new school's first Headteacher.

I am passionate about all pupils achieving their potential, regardless of their starting points. Reading, Writing and Maths are extremely important for everyone, but children should also be recognised for the many talents that they have. I am committed to developing a stimulating high quality curriculum enriched by a first class learning environment to ensure that all our children have the best possible start to school.

Working with the dynamic team at the Learning Academy Partnership, **Collectively Empowering Excellence**, alongside parents, the Church and local community, to provide inspiring curriculum opportunities, together we will ensure rich experiences so that all children can achieve their potential. Establishing a brand new school is an incredibly exciting opportunity and drawing upon the success of the Learning Academy Partnership expertise and excellent provision that has seen the Trust in the Top 10 highest performing Multi Academy Trusts in the country for the past two years; every child at St Michael's will also have that opportunity to flourish.



St Michael's Church of England Academy will be an inclusive and welcoming school community with a distinctively Christian ethos and identity, inclusive of all faiths or none. A clear Christian vision will enable all children to flourish, underpinned by Christian values that develop strength of character; creating confident, resilient and independent pupils who make a positive contribution to the life of the school and wider community.

In my role as a leader in Early Years I have had the privilege of visiting many Early Years settings in Paignton and I am looking forward to continuing those relationships as well as working with other primary and secondary schools.

If you are interested in a place for your child and have missed the first round of applications, it is still possible to apply for a place at St Michael's as applications will also be accepted in the second round in April/May 2020. If you would like any further information please contact our Admissions Officer: admissions@lapsw.org or telephone 01626 248793 in the first instance. If you would like to discuss your application in more detail I will be more than happy to arrange a mutually convenient appointment.

I look forward to working in partnership with you.

Mrs J Edwards

Head of Academy
St Michael's Church of England
Academy



We can confirm that St Michael's will be opening on 3rd September 2020.

Building works are due to commence shortly and to ensure the opening date, as an interim measure, there will be temporary classroom units on the school site to ensure that we can open on time and deliver a world-class education for our children, giving them the very best start to their education.



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