

St Michael's Church of England Academy

NEWSLETTER

January 2021 Update



Dear Parents,

I hope you all managed to enjoy the Christmas break, despite what I know were very challenging and unusual circumstances for many of us.

I'm pleased to share that all of the work taking place in advance of St Michael's Church of England Academy opening in September 2021 is going really well, and we are very much looking forward to welcoming our first cohort of pupils.

In the run up to Christmas, we had our first visit from local MP for Torbay Kevin Foster, who met with myself, Mrs Atkinson, Chief Executive of the Learning Academy Partnership, and Mrs Barnett, Chief Operating Officer of the Learning Academy Partnership.

We showed Mr Foster around the new St Michael's Church of England Academy site, which will be the Learning Academy Partnership's tenth school. He had the chance to see the amazing potential of the building with the amount of space it will offer for both educational and community purposes, as well as the high-quality provision it will give to families.

Mr Foster was also able to see first-hand the refurbishment process underway, which is being embarked upon by our dedicated team, who will continue to work through the country's third lockdown. So far their work has included erecting scaffolding, soft strip demolition and removal of

overgrown vegetation, and restoring some of the beautiful period features of the building.

Applications for St Michael's Church of England Academy are open until 15th January, and you can access an admissions form on our website here: <https://stmichaels-lap.co.uk/admissions>. You can also submit an Expression of Interest if you are considering enrolling your child in the Nursery in September. We have meanwhile begun the process for the 2022-23 Admissions Policy consultation, more details of which can also be found at the above link on our website.

I know that choosing a school for your child is an incredibly important decision, with a lot to take into consideration, and we're on hand to support with this, whether that's with regards to our academy, the application process, or with choosing a school more generally.

If you would like any further information, please contact our Admissions Officer: admissions@lapsw.org or telephone 01626 365293. Alternatively, I would be happy to arrange an appointment with you at a mutually convenient time.

As part of the Learning Academy Partnership, St Michael's Church of England Academy will have access to the expertise and resources of this successful Trust. The Trust provides a first-class education to its pupils across the South West, and has done so since it was founded eight years ago. It is rated the best academy Trust in the country for the performance of disadvantaged children and in the Top 10 Trusts nationally for the progress that children make.

I look forward to working in partnership with you.

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