What's Up @ St. Michael's

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The Parents Association did a brilliant job organising and running the school fete assisted by some very helpful pupils. It was a lovely occasion complete with music, festival food, stalls and games. Thank you to everyone who organised, helped on the

day, attended and enjoyed. Over €1180 was raised for the school!



Class Photographs

Alex Mrvova (Daria's Mum), a photographer,

has kindly taken class photographs for us this term. These will be given to all families whey they are ready.

Classes

The Board of Management has determined that the classes will be divided up as follows from September.

Junior / Senior Infants

1st, 2nd, 3rd Class

4th, 5th, 6th Class

Learning Support

Ms. Mythen

Ms. O'Brien

Ms. O'Donovan

TBC

This is the most even division and reduces the numbers in each class.

The Board continue to negotiate with the Department of Education with regard to temporary accommodation during the build for the increased numbers.

Several school jumpers, lunch boxes and water bottles still are unclaimed in lost property.

Please remember to visit our website <u>www.stmichaelscoi.com</u> for up-to-date news on what is happening in the school.

6th class graduate!!

We will be Goodbye to Finn, Lena, Alisha, Beni, Uche and Rebekah this month. They been a great have and formed class strong friendships. We hope they have fond memories of St



Michael's. We look forward to having them back for a visit in their Ashton uniforms.

Sadly we will also be saying goodbye to Mr. O'Sullivan this term.

Active School Programme

We have been very active in St Michael's again this term. In school we have been running laps, playing football at break time, having tennis lessons and going to the Rockies for hurling. Swimming on Friday and after school soccer with St. Finbarre's is also going from strength to strength. There has been galas and interschool matches and all pupils from 2nd class upwards took park in the Inter-Schools athletic competition in CIT – this was the first outing for our team t-shirts!

Debating

Senior Room pupils have been developing their debating skills this term and have taken part in the Concern Debating Competition as well as in 'friendlies' with other schools. 5th & 6th class were presented with a certificate at the Concern Awards event in the Vienna Woods Hotel. It is wonderful to see them become more confident speakers

School Tours

The junior room had a great time in Fota with their own animal expert to show them around.

The senior room visited the Titanic Experience in Cobh followed by a day of outdoor fun and survival skills at Cuskinny Adventure Centre.

We are so proud of our pupils for their excellent behaviour and manners.

Projects

St Michael's achieved a special commendation for the water Explorers Conservation Project this term - we were in the top five schools in Ireland. The entire senior room won a trip to Dublin to present their work in the Axis theatre.

Our pupils have received an award of excellence for Science ,Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) from the Discover Primary Science and Maths Programme.

This Monday we will be receiving our final validation visit from the Digital Schools of Distinction Programme. Fingers crossed!

End of Year Service Fri 23 June @ 10am Sports Day Thurs 22 June @ 10am

