



One benefit is that we are now able to serve the community of central Paignton by opening a brand-new school, St Michael's C of E Academy. Welcome to our very first cohort of children and families. We are very privileged to serve a new community and provide an exceptional education for the children.

Covid is still with us and by now you will know the actions your child's school has in place to minimise Covid-19 risks. These may feel different to your expectations, and I thank you for your understanding as we work hard to minimise any transmission. We have been asked to stop track and trace of contacts, but we are sending out letters if there has been a case in your child's class. If your child does develop symptoms, please let us know and book your child a PCR test.

It has been a busy summer and we have been working behind the scenes to improve your child's academy buildings, classrooms and playgrounds and our roll out of the new computers and IT provision is now in place. At a time where schools are feeling budgets tighten, we have used the advantage of being a School Trust to access grants and funding that we would not be able to do as standalone schools to ensure that we are continually striving to provide your child with the very best opportunities and environments.

Our most important work is to provide an exceptional curriculum offer to your child. As a group of schools, we have developed a broad offer of subjects so that your child can be inspired, learn, enjoy and be fully ready for the next step in their education. The schools are always showcasing what your child is learning through letters but also the academy Facebook and Twitter pages give a good insight into what your child has been experiencing. Why not give them a follow?

Have a great start to the Autumn and thank you, in advance, for the support and kindness that you continually show our teachers and support staff. I look forward to meeting more of you in school.

## September 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the new academic year.

On behalf of all staff, I would like to welcome you and your children back to the new school year and we all hope that you had a wonderful summer. We are excited to see you all back and it was wonderful to see so many smiles from the children as they returned.

I would like to welcome all our new families and children to our School Trust. I was able to meet many of you at induction events but for those of you who I have not met my name is Tracey Cleverly and I am the Trust Lead for our family of schools (sometimes called a CEO). It is my pleasure to welcome you to our family of schools which we call our School Trust.

As a School Trust it is my role to ensure that we are constantly using all the benefits of working as a family of schools to fulfil our charitable objective, to advance education for the public benefit. We strive to ensure that we provide a better quality of education because we are a School Trust.



Tracey Cleverly  
Trust Lead

