



# St Michael's

CofE Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

From 1 April 2026, all academies must now follow new national rules about how we record and report any restrictive interventions used to keep pupils safe. We have always shared this with you verbally and so the change is minimal. Moving forward we will need to put things in writing as well as telling you verbally.

Restrictive interventions include things like reasonable force, physical restraint or seclusion, and are only ever used in exceptional circumstances - when a pupil or others are at immediate risk of harm.

### What this means for you

If your child is involved in one of these incidents, you will now receive a written update, usually on the same day, explaining:

- Why staff felt the intervention was necessary
- What happened
- Any injuries or welfare concerns
- What support will follow

This change is about ensuring open communication, transparency, and strong partnership between home and academy.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Miss MacDonald via the school office.

We are committed to keeping all pupils safe, supported and cared for.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kate Jackson  
Principal

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