



# Newsletter

ST. MICHAEL'S C.E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

Rooted in Faith, Growing Together

St Michael's CE Primary

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## A message from Mrs Perry

Hi Everyone,

What a wonderful week at St Michael's. An amazing report from SIAMS, a moving assembly from year 6 about remembrance, some amazing competitions and the most beautiful handwriting ever!

We are working hard at the moment on curriculum development, shaping the curriculum to include everything but also developing it so that it is exciting and creative. With this is our writing and reading curriculum, the handwriting is already sharpening up to be improved and new developments for reading and spelling in KS1 will mean that this is also improved.

St Michael's is known for having amazing results but what we also need is amazing individuals and that is what we are achieving! Children who truly care and who truly want to learn. Thank you for all your support and for getting involved in the life of school.

Have a lovely weekend.



## Key Dates

- 17.11.25** African Drumming Concert YR3 – 2.45pm
- 18.11.25** Flu Vaccines
- 21.11.25** SEND meetings with parents
- 22.11.25 St Michael's Church Christmas Fair
- 24.11.25 – 27.11.25** Book Fair
- 28.11.25** Author Visit KS2
- 2.12.25** YR 3 Class Assembly 9am
- 4.12.25** Panto
- 8.12.25** Science Day
- 9.12.25** EYFS Nativity 9.15am and 2pm
- 10.12.25** KS1 Nativity 9.15am and 2pm
- 12.12.25** Buddy Concert Y6 and YR 2.15pm
- 16.12.25** KS2 Church Service 2pm and 6pm
- 17.12.25** EYFS Christmas Party AM
- 17.12.25** EYFS Theatre Visit PM
- 17.12.25** KS1 Party PM
- 18.12.25** KS2 Parties
- 19.12.25** End of Aut 2
- 6.1.26** Return to school
- 16.1.25** Crucial Crew Year 6

## Attendance

This week's attendance is **97.7%** with **13** late marks.

## The Week Ahead

Monday 2.45pm – Year 3 African Drumming

Monday 3.30pm Girls Basketball

Tuesday – Flu Vaccinations

Thursday afternoon – Sports Hall Athletics Competition Y6

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – SEND meetings (book online if SEND)

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> – St Michael's Church Christmas Fair

## Agents of Change

Well done to all our Agents of Change this week!

Ethan W in year 6 has been supporting Little Green Socks he sorted through donations, weighed bags, and made several bundles of clothes ready to send out to children in need across Trafford. He gave up 3 hours of his free time, alongside family, to help.

Archie and Teddy contributed to the Jamaica Hurricane Relief collection this week. They wrote a shopping list from the suggested items and we had a trip to Aldi to pick up the items which will be shipped over to help all the families whose homes have been destroyed after Hurricane Melissa hit on 28th October.

Well done to School Council who contributed to our Poppy Appeal by selling poppies and other things to their classes.

## Stars of the Week

Reception- Ernest B

Year 4 – George G

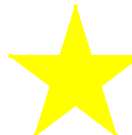
Year 1 – Jude W

Year 5 – Evelyn T

Year 2 – Layla G

Year 6 – Oliver F

Year 3 – Thomas F



## KS1 Reading Information

This week we invited the parents of year 1 and 2 to school to hear about the changes that are being made to reading. Thank you to all who came to the meeting, it was lovely to see everyone.

The summary of the changes are:

- The children have been put into groups at their challenge point to plug their sound gaps.
- The children will no longer be having word lists, they will instead have spellings which will be covered in school too.
- The children will have a phonics learning leaflet each week showing the sounds and words to practice at home.
- The children will bring home a book that contains their learnt sounds each week to read at home – this should be read with 95% accuracy by the child.
- They will move onto guided reading at the end of the scheme.
- The children will be assessed and grouped each half term but can also move earlier if they make particularly good progress.

Miss Murray and Miss Nuttall will share the PowerPoint on dojo for those unable to attend.

## Year 6 Assembly

On Tuesday Year 6 did their class assembly all about how Urmston was affected by WW1. The children did an incredible job and really showed what they had learnt and made everyone realise why we have remembrance day. Well done year 6!



## Sports

Well done to our netball team this week who played two games against Woodhouse. They scored their first ever goal!

Also well done to the boys basketball team for showing resilience and collaboration in this weeks games.



## Sensory Workshop

Thank you to everyone who attended the sensory workshop on Thursday, Moffat talked about sensory behaviours and how children sensory seek. He talked about how there are 8 senses not 5 and what this means for children.

We will be doing more of these things in school over coming months with different professionals so please keep an eye out!



## Poppy Appeal

Thank you to school council who have helped us to sell the poppies and other merchandise for the Poppy Appeal. The children wore their poppies with pride. In total we raised £356, an amazing total!

## Bye Mrs Howden

Today was Mrs Howden's last day at St Michael's. She has a few more weeks before jetting off to Australia. Good Luck to all the Howdens for your next adventure. You will be hugely missed here at St Michael's.



## Anti-Bullying Week

This week we have spent the week looking at bullying and what this means. We had special assemblies, watched live lessons and even wore odd socks. The children were amazing and gave amazing insights into their thinking.



## Talk to the children

Every week I am going to share what we have looked at in our Collective Worships and pose a question for you all to talk about at home. This week's question to think about:

**How did the women of the war show courage?**

## SIAMS

We were so happy and proud to receive our SIAMS report this week. It is incredibly positive and really shows what a wonderful place St Michael's is. We have worked tirelessly to create an environment where everyone can flourish and are very pleased with the report as it really shows what we have been doing.

Thank you all for your support and please remember to spread the word!

Here is a link to the report on our website.

<https://www.smpsflinton.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=215&type=pdf>