



# Newsletter

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

Rooted in Faith, Growing Together

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## A message from Mrs Perry

The end of the first week of Spring 2 has come to an end, it has been a busy week again at St Mike's and the start of more fun to come.

Thank you to everyone for their understanding around the communication procedures, it shows that families care about our staff too. Next week we will be introducing the children to some rules to support them to make the right choices in school to support our behaviour policy.

Next week is a fun week, we are celebrating World Book Day a day late (on Friday) because children are competing in athletics on Thursday – athletics as a book character probably isn't the best idea! Don't forget to take part in the story jar competition, there will be no prizes for costumes but there will be for story jars!

Just a reminder that Flixton Car Park is available for free during school drop off and pick up, we have seen lots of adults driving quickly down the road, pulling up unsafely and members of the public swearing at people so please be mindful of what children see and hear.

Thank you as always for your support, have a lovely weekend!

## Key Dates

5.3.26 Sports Hall Athletics

6.3.26 World Book Day Dress Up

9.3.26 Assessment week

9.3.26 Parent Forum session 2 9am – 10.30am

9.3.26 Yr3/4 Girls Football

13.3.26 Yr3/4 Handball Competition

17.3.26 Year 5 Trafford Waterside Singing

19.3.26 School council to visit Parliament

25.3.26 Rocksteady Concert

25.3.26 Year 4 class assembly Note change of date.

26.3.26 Easter Bonnet and Eggs

26.3.26 Author Visit

30.3.26 Easter Service KS1 AM (at school)

30.3.26 KS2 Easter Service PM (at Church)

31.3.26 – 2.4.26 Year 6 Residential

2.4.26 Finish for Easter Holidays

20.4.26 Return to school

## Next Week

**Monday** – Year 5 and 6 football (Girls)

**Tuesday** – Hearing and Vision Screening for Reception

**Thursday** – Sports Hall Athletics – USK2

**Friday** – World Book Day – Dress up and make a story Jar. There will be many activities throughout the day!

## Attendance

This week's attendance is **98%** with **14** late marks.

**This is the equivalent to 21 days for missed teaching across school.**

## Agents of Change

My first Agent of Change is actually an apology, before the half term break I mentioned a group of Reception children who were amazing at picking up litter. I didn't include one child in the certificates or in the newsletter so I have to say I am sorry Jude M and well done!

Also an amazing effort from Mrs Cooper, on Saturday she took part in a Zumbathon to raise money for Prevent Breast Cancer. Mrs Cooper and her Mum danced for 3 hours and have raised funds and awareness for the charity!



## Stars of the Week

Reception- Theo BD

Year 4 – Briea W

Year 1 – Oscar G

Year 5 – Eva T

Year 2 – Henry S

Year 6 – Emma CP

Year 3 – Ruby M



## Talk to the children

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

**What does it mean to be Neurodiverse and how can we treat each other with kindness when we're all different?**

### Neurodiversity Worship

On Thursday, Mrs Smith spent some time with the whole school learning about Neurodiversity and how it presents in people. She showed the children what we use in school to help children and explained that Neurodivergent means someone's brain works differently. Miss Smith used fizzy pop to show the children what masking means and how lots of pressure can make someone feel dysregulated. She also introduced celebrities with different brains like Simone Biles before inviting the children to ask questions. The children were very receptive and a few have been to talk to Miss Smith about their own ideas.



### Sport

Before the holidays year 4 and 5 went to compete in the swimming gala, they were amazing! Both year 4 teams got a medal and came first, while the year 5 teams were runners up. Well done everyone.

Well done to our boys football team last night who won 1-0 and 2-0 in the mud and rain. Mr Bates said there was some amazing goals from Isaac W! Well done boys.



### Plans for World Book Day

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Friday 6th March with a full day of reading-themed activities for the children. Children and staff are invited to dress up as a favourite book character or in cosy clothes they feel comfortable wearing to read. At home, children are also invited to create a "Story in a Jar", which should be brought in to school. During the day, classes from Year 1 to Year 6 will take part in a range of exciting activities including a special assembly, teacher-led reading sessions, The Masked Reader quiz, StarBOOKs hot chocolate and reading time, bookmark designing, book swap cards, reading den experiences and creating wooden spoon characters, before returning to class to share highlights from this special celebration of reading.

### Parent Forum

Thank you to the parents who came to the Parents Forum on Tuesday, these sessions are for all parents. The idea is that we cover things that parents will find useful, interesting or what families want to learn about.

The next session will be planned based on what we learnt this time. You don't need to attend all of them but anyone is welcome! Our next session is on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 9am. Please come along!

### Learning this week

This week has been a busy week for learning, Nursery have been looking at Goldilocks and the Three Bears, they had lots of toys, areas and different size bowls to play with. Year 6 have been learning about Fractions as percentages and looked at Charles Darwin in Science, while year 5 have been learning about Fairy Tales from around the world. Year 2 have been amazing looking at poetry and money, year 1 have been writing sentences about a going on a bear hunt. Reception did an incredible job of showing me their Gruffalo song, year 4 have been testing torches in DT while year 3 have learnt all about the equator and longitude and latitude! What a busy week it has been.



### Communication

We have recently seen an increase in messages being sent directly to staff, particularly during the evening. To support staff wellbeing and ensure they are able to rest and spend time with their families, any messages sent after **6:00pm** will not be responded to until **7:30am the next school day**. Please note that messages sent before 6:00pm may not receive a same-day response due to teaching and other professional responsibilities. For genuine emergencies, please contact Mrs Perry directly. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain clear communication and healthy professional boundaries.

