

Autumn half term has now arrived! The past seven weeks have flown by filled with lots of exciting events, trips, residential trips, Holy Communion celebrations, and exciting visitors including the ice cream van, activities and learning for all the children. Thank you for all your support – our school and home partnership is so important to us all.

Cross Country Runners

We are exceptionally proud of a group of our junior children who have participated in the Liverpool Schools Cross Country Running Events over the past several weeks. They all showed true determination and resilience –never giving up! I applaud them all for running in often not great weather for substantially long distances with children across many different Liverpool schools. Today they were all awarded with a medal, a Head Teachers badge and a sweet treat! They will all be invited to a future running events next Spring. Congratulations!

Photographs of these children will be shared after half term.

CHET Crosby Hall Education Trust

On Wednesday afternoon a large group of year 4 children arrived back from a two night residential trip in Little Crosby at the 'Crosby Hall Educational Centre'. The children had a wonderful time and participated in a wide range of activities including archery, pottery, shelter building, a night walk and so much more. I joined the group on Tuesday evening for the Night Walk – it was so enjoyable and lovely seeing a sky full of stars that sometimes we do not see because of the light pollution from the city. The behavior of the children was exemplary – we are very proud of them all.



Thank you to Ms Forbes for being the lead for this trip (always a big responsibility) and all the staff who supported the trip – Mr. Daley , Ms. Gordon, Ms. Haynes and Ms. Fagan.

Harvest Festival

On Thursday morning year 2 and 1 led a beautiful Harvest Assembly. The hall was joyfully filled with parents, carers, grandparents and year three children. The children kindly repeated the assembly later in the morning for the junior children. The children shared readings, prayers, dances and songs. Our Harvest theme this year was 'Socktober' – support for the Whitechapel charity who support homeless people. We have been collecting socks to give to the charity.

It was a joyful assembly and the children were simply amazing! Thank you to all Ms Roscoe, Ms. O'Kane, Ms. Lester, Ms. Smith, Ms. Sharpes, Ms. McEntee, Ms. Duncan, Ms. Miller, Ms. West, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Lawson and Ms. Ealey for your support.

Thank you for your donations of socks and cakes to sell today! All socks and money raised will be given to the Whitechapel Charity. Your kindness and support is truly appreciated.



New school timings

Please remember that school closes at **3.20pm** after half term. This is the time the gates will open at the end of the school day.

Hallowe'en

Children to wear full school uniform on Monday 31st October – no Hallowe'en outfits. Thank you.

I wish you and all your families a lovely half term holiday.

Best Wishes – Alyson Rigby



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



Tuesday: Choir Yr 4,5,&6 Art Club Yr 2 Cheerleading Club Yr 2 Yr 6 Tuition

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[©] Maths Tuition Yr4 [©] Maths Tuition Yr5 Wednesday [©] Wellbeing Club KS2 with Miss Cornett Thursday 🙂 Dance Club Yr4 🙂 Drama Club Yr5&6 🙂 Guitar Club [©] Reading Tuition Yr2 [©] Maths Tuition Yr3 [☉]Writing Tuition Yr4 [☉] Maths Tuition Yr4



This week in Prayer time our theme has been Integrity & Joy. Celebrating the joy of creation and Harvest, giving thanks for all that we have and thinking about how everyone should have a share in this. On Thursday we celebrated our Harvest Festival collecting new pairs of socks instead of food as we are taking part in the Whitechapel Centre's Socktober appeal. Thank you to everyone for making this a success by donating socks and money for the Whitechapel Centre who work with homeless people in Liverpool



Creator God, May the beauty and bounty of this world remind us of your overflowing love for us. Help us to remember that you made enough for all; teach us to share freely with one another, out of love for you and our neighbour. Amen



Next week Father Fitz will be visiting the Olympians in Year 3

On Thursday Years 1 and 2 led a fantastic Harvest Assembly. The children talked about the Socktober campaign and how the Whitechapel Centre are a charity who work with homeless people in Liverpool. Did you know socks are the most requested items by people who are homeless? Here in school we have been collecting warm and cosy socks all week to donate to the Whitechapel Centre. All of the children spoke confidently and sang beautifully and the parents (and staff) were delighted!





Happy Birthday Reece Carr Isaac Idowu Piper Goodall-Ramejkis Zuriel Uvwo Nada Abushraa Layla Luckova Dheur Mukoku Lola Dunn Mary Yosief Antony M Veronika Gaziova Sethulakshmi Praveen Dilliet Yemane Cherish Kaiden Braithwaite Mrs Fagan Miss Hughes Miss Morrow

Year 3—Olympians



Hello and welcome to the Inspirations class page. We have taken to Year 4 like ducks to water. We have played, read, acted and most importantly learned a lot in a short space of time. Our class novel this term is about a cat who was on the Titanic—The book is called Kaspar prince of cats.

English & History

In English we have been learning about instructional writing and we have linked it to our History topic Ancient Egypt. We have learnt about the process of mummification in Ancient Egypt by giving each other verbal instructions on the different stages of embalming. We then had a go of writing a set of instructions using an introduction, adverbs, imperative verbs and adverbs of time. Miss Gannon and Mrs Haynes were blown away by the fantastic writing the children have done this week!





In Geography we have been learning about Rivers this term and how they are formed and affect the land. We have thoroughly enjoy computing this term in being about to code algorithms and begin to de-

given up!



bug algorithms. This has been tricky for some of us but we have been so resilient and have not



<u>PE</u>

We have been learning over the past couple of weeks all about travelling, balances, jumps and rolls. We have then



put them together into a sequence using contrasting shapes and levels to showcase to each other. What fantastic gymnasts we have!



Collective Worship/Prayer & Liturgy

We have been very reflective this week in our collective worship/prayer and liturgy. We have been full of wonder this week.





Thank you to our parents and carers for your continued support and remember to follow our twitter page to keep up to date with

our class.



The children below have gone <u>Above and Beyond</u> in school this week. They have been rewarded with a certificate and a hot chocolate with cream, marshmallows and biscuits. Well done!



CAKE SALE!

In order to raise more money for Whitechapel year 6 staff and pupils decided to organise a cake sale for the whole school. Pupils and staff donated cakes for them to sell. Children were asked to bring in no more than 50p to spend. The children came over with their teachers and children in their class. They had the



Head Teacher Awards

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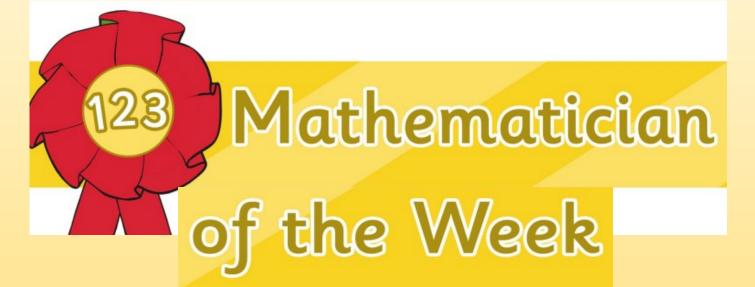
Year 1	Ilakkiya	Arthur
Year 2	Enoch	Laceie
Year 3	Aadínath	Thomas
Year 4	Alí	John
Year 5	Rajeely	Kelsie
Year 6	Alex	Hannah

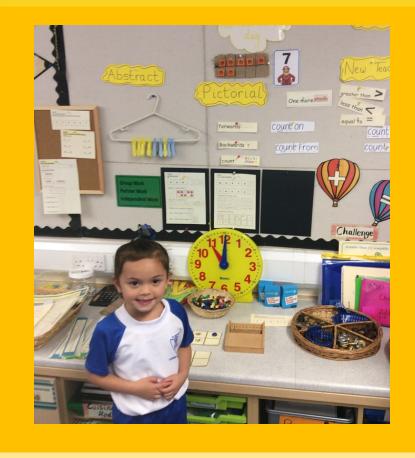


Ambassador Awards

Year 1	Archie	Sarah
Year 2	Yasmín	Alveena
Year 3	Gracie	Vanessa
Year 4	Sethu	Sílka
Year 5	Selina	Kiranith
Year 6	Jordan T	Ivín







The Mathematician of the Week for the **Record Breakers**. This little girl has excelled over the last few weeks in Maths. She has grown in confidence and her love for Maths shines through each day. She is now able to add two groups together using whole, part model. Her number formation is neat and always following our presentation promise. She loves practical, concrete learning and shows a real skill and talent for Maths. She has a real 'can do attitude' and always tries her best. Well done you Maths genius!

Reception Update

The children in Reception have had a great first half term. They are beginning to learn how to share and take turns. They have enjoyed playing in both the indoor and outdoor learning environments. Our topic this half term has been 'Myself' and we have been talking about how we are all different. We have been celebrating our many talents and know that we are all good at something. In Maths we have been exploring numbers 1 and 2 and we have been making simple patterns. We have been learning new letter sounds daily and love playing 'Fred talk games'. Our 'Talk for writing' text this half term was 'The Three Little Pigs' and we have loved retelling the story and acting it out. We have enjoyed our Music lessons with Rosie and our weekly dance sessions with Becky. In our RE lessons we have been talking about how we are made to feel welcomed in different situations. We have also talked about how babies are welcomed into the Church family through the sacrament of Baptism. We used acted out the baptism of a baby and joined in with the words that the priest says 'I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit'. We are looking forward to next half term, where we will be inviting parents in to join us for some story time sessions and a Christmas 'Stay and Play'.



Reception



Shining Stars







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Superstars



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Recipe inspiration: Fajita Style Pasta

A firm favourite with many schools this past year has definitely been our Fajita style pasta recipe. It is a twist on the popular meal chicken fajitas but swaps out the wraps for pasta, making it slightly cheaper and easier to cook in large quantities, perfect for cooking in the classroom!

In our previous newsletter we recommended a great portable pan that is perfect for cooking this recipe when you don't have access to a school kitchen.



Ingredients:

- 2 tbsp oil
- 2 packets of cooked chicken chunks or 1 large bag of Quorn pieces
- 1 ½ red onion
- 2 peppers
- 1 tin chopped tomatoes
- 100ml single cream
- 500g pasta of choice
- 150g grated cheddar
- Spice mix: 1 heaped tsp garlic powder, 1 tsp mild chilli powder, 1 heaped tsp paprika, ½ tsp cumin, ½ tsp mixed herbs

Method:

- Chop the peppers and onions, add to the pan with the oil, and allow to soften for a few minutes.
- In a separate pan, boil the pasta until cooked through and drain.
- Meanwhile, in a small bowl use measuring spoons to measure and combine the spices.
- One the veg has softened, add the chopped tomatoes and spices.
- Add the cooked chicken or Quorn.
- Allow to simmer for 10 minutes.
- Add in the cream and the cooked pasta, and mix thoroughly.
- Serve with a sprinkle of grated cheddar.



It is important that before children get cooking, they learn the basic skills needed to use equipment safely. Here is a quick guide to a few basic skills that the children should learn:

The bridge & mini bridge



The claw



Peeling





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Liverpool vs Manchester City





On Sunday 16th October Miss Gannon and Ms Duncan took some of the Year 6 children to see the Liverpool Vs Manchester City football game at Anfield. The Children were absolutely fantastic role models and ambassadors for our school! Their behaviour was perfect and they thoroughly enjoyed the brilliant game. They celebrated Salah's goal with so much passion as they leapt out of their seats and sang You'll Never Walk Alone at the end of the match. They left the stadium with beaming smiles on their faces.









St Michael's Catholic Primary School

Term Dates 2022-2023



Autumn Term 2022



Term: Thursday 1st September to Wednesday 21st December 2022 *Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 5th September to Friday 21st October* Half term: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022 *Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 31st October to Wednesday 21st December* Terms ends: Wednesday 21st December 2022

Spring Term 2023



Term: Wednesday 4th January - Wednesday 5th April 2023 *Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Wednesday 4th January to Thursday 9th February* Half term: Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023 *Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Monday 20th February to Wednesday 5th April* Term ends: Wednesday 5th April 2023

Summer Term 2023



Term: Monday 17th April to Thursday 20th July 2023 *Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May* Half term: Monday 29th May to Friday 9th June 2023 *Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 12th June to Thursday 20th July* Term Ends: Thursday 20th July 2023 May Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2023

Staff Development Days (School closed for pupils)



Thursday 1st September 2022 Friday 2nd September 2022 Friday 7th October 2022 Friday 10th February 2023 Two extended twilight sessions