



**Dates for your Diary:**

Thursday 30th March:  
Parents and Carers Evening

Thursday 9th Feb—  
School closes for half term

## Message from the headteacher

Friday 20th January

Guion Street, Liverpool, L6 9DU

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers



### Strike Action in schools

Following recent ballots by teachers unions, I am writing to inform you that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced it has met the threshold in a ballot of its teacher members to strike in school across England.

#### The dates are:

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March

At the moment I am assessing the impact this may have on our school and I will inform parent and carers at the earliest opportunity next week. Whilst as a school we regret any inconvenience this may cause, we must respect that members of any professional association/union have the right to take action following a legal ballot. The commitment of our staff to your children remains as high as ever and any decisions that staff make will not be taken lightly.

Have a great weekend.

Best Wishes, Mrs Alyson Rigby.

### Dates for your diary/upcoming events

Please note these are subject to change or may be added to so please check these events every week!

#### January

- Monday 23rd - Chinese New Year
- Enterprise Week
- Friday 27th - Year 5 Swimming

#### February

- Monday 6th - Children's Mental Health Week
- Thursday 9th - School closes for half term—normal time 3:20pm
- Monday 20th - School reopens
- Wednesday 22nd - Ash Wednesday—Special Assembly for KS2 children in school.
- Wednesday 22nd—24th - Y6 residential to Winmarleigh Hall

#### March

- Thursday 2nd - World Book Day
- Monday 13th—15th - Year 5 Residential to Barnstondale
- Wednesday 22nd - Year 6 Crucial Crew event for Year 6
- Friday 24th March - Year 3 Blue Planet Aquarium Trip
- Thursday 30th March - Parents and Carers Evening



## After School Clubs



- Monday:** • Y6 Talking Through It • Y5/6 Running Club  
• Y3 Spanish Club
- Tuesday:** • Choir • Y2 Drama Club,
- Wednesday** • LEGO Club
- Thursday :** • Y6 LFC Football • Mixed Drama Club  
• Guitar Club • Y5 Science Club

<b>PE DAYS:</b>	Y3: Wednesday & Thursday
<b>Reception:</b> Monday & Thursday	Y4: Tuesday & Friday
Y1: Monday & Friday	Y5: Friday
Y2: Thursday	Y6: Wednesday

### Forgiveness & Respect: Luke 4:16-19

Love Thy Neighbour

#### Jesus Is Rejected at Nazareth

<sup>16</sup> Then Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath he went as usual to the synagogue. He stood up to read the Scriptures <sup>17</sup> and was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it is written, <sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has chosen me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed <sup>19</sup> and announce that the time has come when the Lord will save his people."



Our friend Jesus,  
You call us all to follow you.  
Help us to answer that call and to live our lives as you have asked us to.  
Using our hearts for love and forgiveness.  
Showing respect for each other.  
**Amen**

Read the  
[Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart Newsletters](#)  
and  
[The Wednesday Word](#)

27<sup>th</sup> January - Class prayer time



**Jamie Cranham**  
**Our Family Support Worker**

Jamie is available to talk privately about any questions, concerns or issues you may have. Come along for a private chat.

**Drop in sessions every Tuesday at 9:00am**

**Jamie Cranham** 07712235803

**jamie.cranham@liverpool.gov.uk**

or see Mrs Birch

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**Ashwini A    Nicolas B**  
**Laysie D    Gabriella G**  
**Mirabelle I    Kewin K**  
**Eleora M    Rae-Marie O**  
**Favor O    Omoze O**  
**Miradine W    Filimon Y**



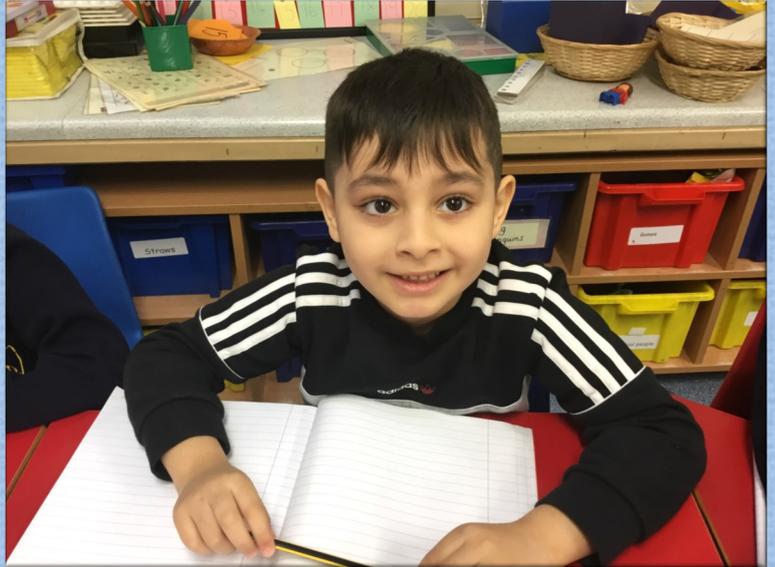
## Celebration

### Mathematician of the Week



Here is our mathematician of the week.

He is working hard learning his numbers to 20 and he is becoming much more independent in his work.



### Above and Beyond



These children have gone Above and Beyond in school this week. They have been rewarded with a certificate and a hot chocolate with cream, marshmallows and biscuits. Well done!

NSPCC

**Worried about a child?**

0808 800 5000  
help@nspcc.org.uk



**Worried about a Child or Young Person?**

If a child or young person is at risk of harm, abuse or neglect please report it to:

**CARELINE**  
Call 0151 233 3700

**TALK TO US**

If things are getting to you

**116 123** FREE  
This number is FREE to call round the clock  
jo@samaritans.org  
samaritans.org





## Attendance

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	97.8
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	95.2
<b>QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1</b>	<b>98.0</b>
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	94.7
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	97.0
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	93.1
HEROES - YEAR 3	96.0
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	92.1
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	96.5
<b>INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4</b>	<b>99.0</b>
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	97.6
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	94.3
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	97.3
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	93.8
Totals	95.9

Well done to the **Quick Thinkers**, of the Infants, and the **Inspirations**, of the Juniors, for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

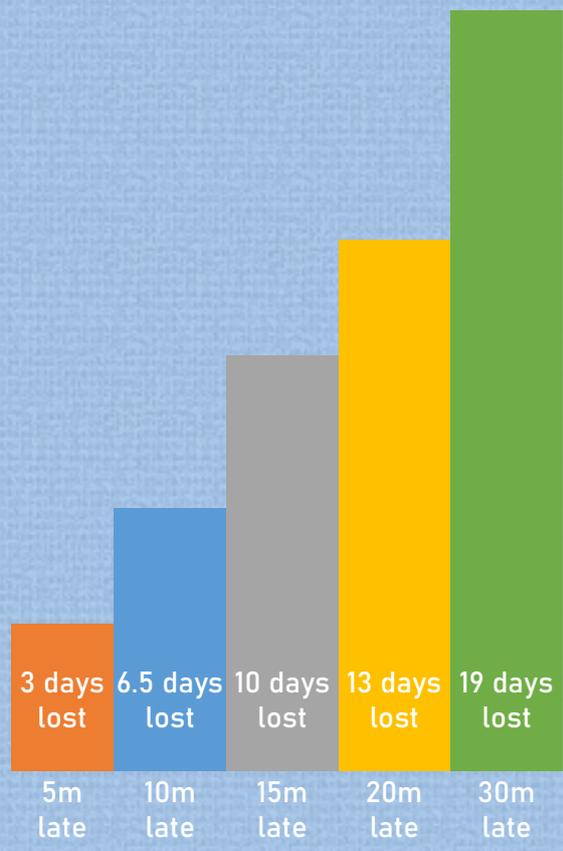


Regular attendance at school is the single most important factor in a child/children making appropriate progress and achieving success. Good, regular and punctual attendance means doing well academically, developing better relationships with other children and positive behaviour. It also sets up good habits for when young people enter into work and life.



We aim for average school attendance to be 97%. There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. This graph shows how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time.





# Reception Superstars Class Page



Superstars

### Continuous Provision

During continuous provision we explored the snow and had lots of fun mark making. We enjoyed playing with the playdough and counted out different amounts and compared the size of our cakes with our friends.



### Literacy

In Literacy we have been writing instructions. The children had to give Miss Potter clear instructions on how to mark a jam sandwich. The children all made their own jam sandwich and ate it for their snack.

### Come and See

In Come and See we explored our new topic 'Celebrating' and discussed what we celebrate and how the church parish celebrates different occasions.

### Music

Every Tuesday Rosie visits our class for our music lesson. The children really enjoy music, tapping out different rhythms and beats, singing and having fun with their friends.



### Maths

Our number of the week is number 5. We have been exploring different ways to make 5 on the 5 frame, on our fingers and using muffins. The children created different number sentences using addition to make 5.

Well done Superstars we are so proud of you!

### Topic

Our new topic is 'Travel and transport' we made cars out of the big blocks, categorised objects that had wheels and no wheels. We also used pastels to create wheel art work. The children have looked at different ways to travel on foot and on the road. Next week we will be looking at how to travel in water.



# St Michael's Catholic Primary School

With Jesus we can Achieve what we Dream and Believe!



**ADDvanced Solutions**  
Community Network  
Supporting you to find the answers

[Click here to read](#)



## LIVERPOOL WHAT'S ON NEWSLETTER Spring Term (January-March 2023)

ADDvanced Solutions Community Network encourages, equips and empowers neurodiverse children, young people and their families, and those with specific learning difficulties, SEN and Disability, and associated mental health needs. We have a blended offer of face-to-face and online groups, workshops and learning programmes available for parent/carers to access to better understand and support their child.

## Working with Children

Are you looking to learn new skills, re-train or gain a qualification to launch your career

**JOIN OUR FOUR WEEK TASTER**

**Time: 12.30pm to 3.30pm**  
**Date: 18 Jan to 8 Feb 2023**  
**Venue: Granby L8 2TU**

**Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm**  
**Date: 19 Jan to 9 Feb 2023**  
**Venue: Newsham L6 7UH**



We can help you with your next steps!

Book a place with  
**Diane Scott M: 07562 172 042**  
**E: [diane.scott@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:diane.scott@liverpool.gov.uk)**

Many of our courses are **FREE** when in receipt of certain benefits or earning less than £19,500

## 5 Ways to Wellbeing

Learn about the definition and the techniques that can be used in every day life!

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Sparkles runs Monday-Friday from 3:30-5:30pm, costing £3 for an hour long session, or £5 for the full session. We welcome children from Reception to Year 6.

## SPARKLES STAFF

**Miss Sharpes: Lead staff**

Miss Waite: Play/support worker

Miss Dooley: Play/support worker

## ACTIVITIES

**Examples of Sparkles activities:**

- Cooking
- Baking
- Outdoor play
- Movie nights
- Board Games

## SNACKS

**Children are offered a variety of hot and cold snacks including:**

- Fresh fruit
- Build your own wrap
- Homemade pitta-bread pizza
  - Pancakes
  - Toast
  - Crumpets
  - Sausage Rolls
  - Nachos

\*Please let us know about any dietary requirements, food intolerances or allergies\*

## How to book via the app:

Under the 'PAYMENTS' section: select 'CLUBS' and 'SPARKLES', choose the date that you wish for your child to attend. Click the 'BASKET', you can pay by card/apple pay.

Please ensure you have completed a 'Sparkles Registration Form', which can be found on our website:

<https://stmichaelscatholicprimary.co.uk/parents-and-carers/school-clubs/sparkles-after-school-club/>





# St Michael's Catholic Primary School

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## St Michael's Catholic Primary School

### Term Dates 2023 -2024

#### Autumn Term 2023

Term: Monday 4th September – Thursday 21st December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 4th September to Thursday 26th October

Half term: Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 6th November to Thursday 21st December

Terms ends: Thursday 21st December 2023

#### Spring Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th January – Thursday 28th March

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February

Half term: Monday 12th February – Monday 19th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 28th March

Term ends: Thursday 28th March

#### Summer Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th April to Friday 19th July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 8th April to Friday 24th May

Half term: Monday 27th May to Friday 7th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 10th June to Friday 19th July

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

### Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 27th October

Monday 19th February 2024

Four extended twilight sessions (22nd Dec & 22 July)