



## Message from the headteacher

Friday 10th February

Guion Street, Liverpool, L6 9DU

Dear Parents and Carers,



### Enterprise Fair

Yesterday we held our **'Enterprise Fair' in the junior hall** where each class had a stall to sell their **'enterprise'** items. Children across the school were invited to bring into school **50p-£1** to buy a couple of pieces. Wow! What an incredible range of items the children had made and were selling. You can see this from the event photos. The children had a lovely time and the **'sales pitch'** from our children on the stalls was very impressive – the pride and excitement they had for the things they made shone through.



### An Enterprise Event at 'The Fowler Academy'. West Derby

On Wednesday, Mrs Roscoe and I took a small group of Yr2 children on the school mini bus to represent our school at this West Derby school event. A number of schools were invited to share their **'Enterprise Project'** in front of other children, headteachers and staff colleagues from these schools. There was also a VIP guest, Mr. Chris Price, an officer from Liverpool City Council.



Our children were simply amazing! They shared their project of **'Friendship Bracelets'** – how they came up with the idea, how they worked as a whole year 2 team to make them, and worked out the cost to make them a fair price bit to make some profit too!

They all spoke confidently and proudly. They were presented with an award certificate to bring back to school to share with all the class. **A big well done Ms Roscoe and children.**

### Happy Half Term Holiday

Thank you for all your support this term. I wish you and your families a lovely break and look forward to seeing everyone on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.**

Take care and keep safe.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Alyson Rigby



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## Enterprise Week



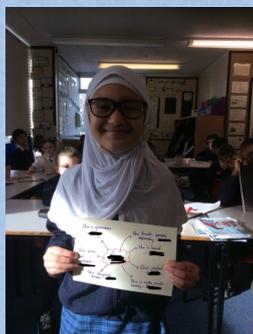
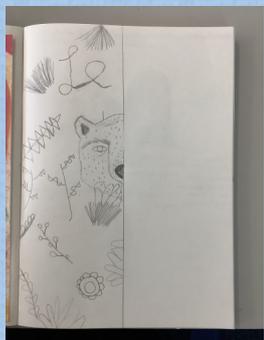
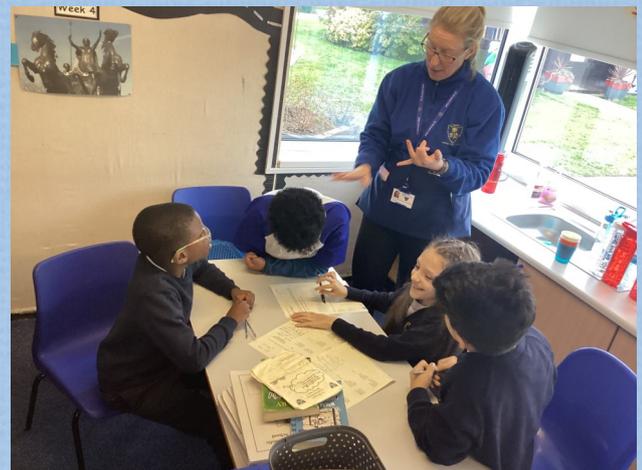
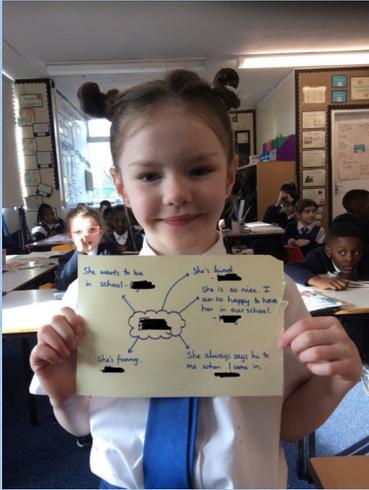


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## Children's Mental Health Week

This week we have celebrated children's mental health week here at St Michael's. This has been a truly powerful week teaching the children the importance of looking after their own mental health and strategies to deal with their emotions. Children have engaged in an array of activities including drama based learning, compliment posters, kindness notes, resilience building and class shout out boards. This has enabled every child to feel special and part of our St Michael's family. Well done to all children and teachers for fully embracing the week.





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## After School Clubs



<b>Mon</b>	Talking it Through	Y6	Mrs. Whittaker
	Running Club	Y5/6	Mrs Gordon
	Athletics Club	KS2	Sam KMC
	Spanish Club	Y3	Mrs Hollywood
	Phonics Club	Y1	Mrs West
	Reading Club	Y5	Ms. Briggs
<b>Tue</b>	Choir	KS2	Rosie
	Drama Club	KS1	Miss O'Kane
	Clarinet Club	Y5/6	Resonate

<b>Wed</b>	Lego Club	Y3/4	Miss Cornett & Mr Smith
	Games Club	Y1	Mrs West & Mrs Miller
	Lego Club	KS1	Ms. Collins
<b>Thu</b>	LFC Football	Y5/6	LFC Coaches
	Drama Club	Y5/6	Miss Cornet
	Guitar Club	Y6	Mr Smith
	Science Club	Y5	Ms. Gibney

### PE DAYS:

Reception: Monday & Thursday

Y1: Monday & Friday

Y2: Thursday

Y3: Wednesday & Thursday

Y4: Tuesday & Friday

Y5: Friday

Y6: Wednesday

All clubs finish at 4:15. Collection for Infant clubs is Infant gate. Junior clubs is Junior gate.

## Integrity: Psalm 24:1

Doing the right thing for others

'The world and all that is in it belong to the Lord; the earth and who live on it are his.'

In 1992 CAFOD and many other charities helped to form the Fairtrade Foundation.

By giving those who make and produce food, cotton and other products fair pay, the Fairtrade Foundation helps to protect people's lives and gives them a better future.

Find out all about it at:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Fairtrade>



**CAFOD**  
Just one world



Dear God,  
We pray for people around the world who grow and produce the things we eat and buy.  
We pray that they get a fair price for the things we buy from them.  
We pray that buying Fairtrade goods helps to create a better and fairer world.  
Amen

Read the  
Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart  
Newsletters' and  
The Wednesday Word

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**

**Ask at Reception for further details**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**\*Noah F \*Mason Angel**

**\*Ethan \*Munachi \*Sara**

**\*Yasmin \*Ovinaash \*Samuel**

**\*Matthias \*Abdullahi \*Harinakshi**

**\*Noah S \*Emmanuella \*Marnie-Rose**



## Celebration

### Mathematician of the Week



This week's Mathematician of the Week is from Year 5 High Achievers! He has shown excellent retrieval practice of shape, space and measures and fractions this week. We have begun a new topic of multiplication and division. He is able to multiply 3 digits by 1 digit and 3 digits by 2 digits. He is now using his new skills to support others with their learning. We are very proud of him and all he has achieved since he started at St. Michael's.



### Head Teacher Awards



Year 1	<i>Solyana</i>	<i>Ruby</i>
Year 2	<i>Dixie-Lou</i>	<i>Emilian</i>
Year 3	<i>Anita</i>	<i>Cecelia</i>
Year 4	<i>Eric</i>	<i>Reuese</i>
Year 5	<i>Noah</i>	<i>Rojeely</i>

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 from the UK  
jo@samaritans.org  
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## Attendance

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	93.8%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	90.5%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	93.5%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	93.3%
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	86.2%
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	90.5%
HEROES - YEAR 3	98.3%
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	91.4%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	95.2%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	96.7%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	99.1%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	98.3%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	99.2%
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	98.3%
Totals	95%

Well done to the **Shining Stars** of the Infants, and the **Whizzkids** 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**

### Attendance Ladder



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.





### Class Focus: Quick Thinkers

Quick Thinkers

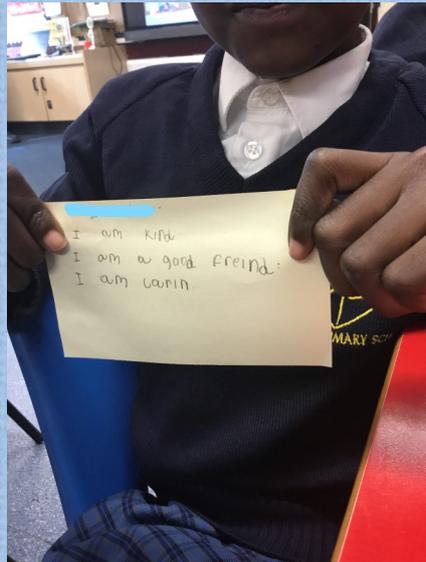
We are the Quick Thinkers in year 1! We have been loving our learning so far this year. This is what we've been learning all about.

#### English

In English we have been learning about 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. We have learnt the story by heart and written our own versions.

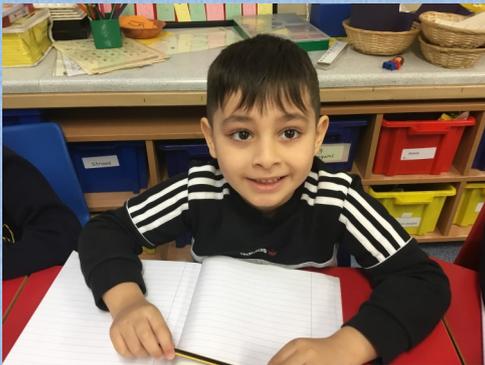
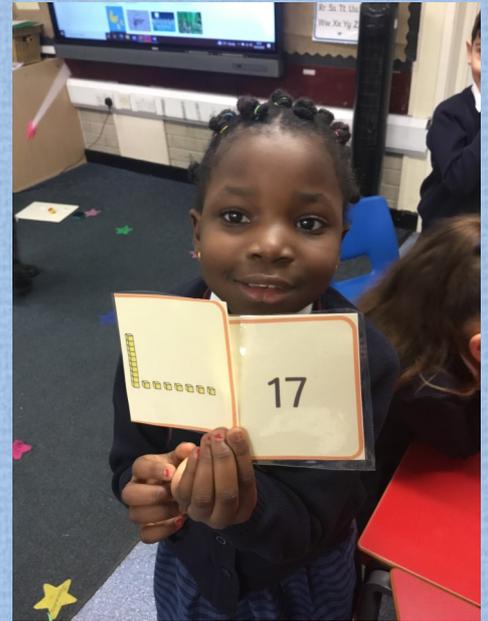
#### Science

In science we have been learning all about different materials and their properties. We have tested to see which materials were waterproof and we carried out an investigation into what material would be best to protect a chocolate egg in the post.



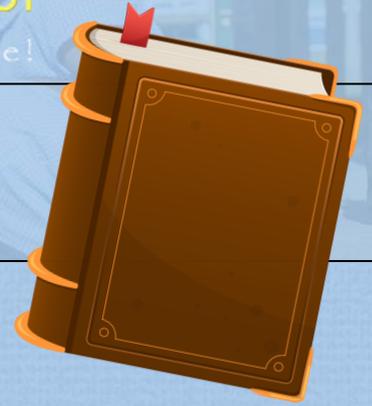
#### Maths

In maths we have been learning all about numbers to 20. We can read, write and order them!



In Geography we have been learning all about the weather and we even had a try at being weather presenters. We have been learning about African artists in art. We can name Esther Mahlangu, Edward Tingatinga and Shonibare. We have really enjoyed creating our own patterns and used them in printing.





## 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!

### February

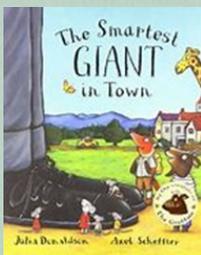
- Thursday 16th - Alder Hey ASD Virtual Drop Ins (see letter in this week's newsletter)
- Monday 20th - School reopens
- Tuesday 21st - Y4 trip to Deva Roman Discovery Centre
- Wednesday 22nd - Ash Wednesday—Special Assembly for KS2 children in school.
- Wednesday 22nd—24th - Y6 residential to Winmarleigh Hall

### March

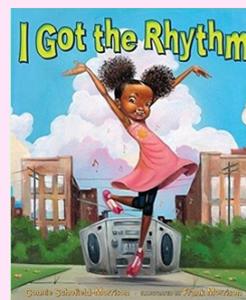
- Thursday 2nd - World Book Day
- Friday 10th - Alder Hey ASD Virtual Drop Ins (see letter in this week's newsletter)
- Monday 13th—15th - Year 5 Residential to Barnstondale
- Wednesday 22nd - Year 6 Crucial Crew event for Year 6
- Friday 24th March - Year 3 Blue Planet Aquarium Trip
- Thursday 30th March - Parents and Carers Evening

## Storytime @ St Michael's

Scan a code, snuggle up and listen to a story!



**The Smartest Giant in Town**  
by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler



Scan the QR code to listen

"I Got the Rhythm"

by Connie Schofield-Morris  
Illustrated by Frank Morrisson





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/>





# The ASD Training Team

The Liverpool ASD Training Team are providing a series of Virtual Group Drop in advisory sessions via zoom. They are for parents/carers who have any questions or concerns about their child, in regard to social communication difficulties or waiting an ASD assessment. It is also an opportunity to speak with an ASD trainer and other parents. The sessions will be one half hours long, you can choose to join anytime with in the time slot or stay for the duration. You do not require a diagnosis to book your place.

**Date:**  
**Thursday 16th February Time: 9.30am – 11am or 1pm – 2.30pm**

**Friday 10th March Time: 9.30am – 11am or 1pm -2.30pm**

If you would like to book onto one of the sessions, please email: [asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk)

## Mental Health Week 2023: Daily Dragonfly

*Short videos for busy parents wanting to know how to support their child's mental health and wellbeing*



### Helping our children to manage feelings of anxiety - three tips to support them.

Anxiety is a normal feeling and actually has its uses. However, it's not a pleasant feeling and when children or young people often feel anxious or get 'stuck' in that feeling it can be very distressing for them. This short video offers three practical ways children or young people can manage these feelings.

[Download the information](#)



Date: 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian



Liverpool  
City Council

The February "Eat to Meet 2" Half Term programme starts on the 13th February and there are lots of great activities happening over the school. Children and young people, from reception to age 16, who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the half term holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **boxing, football, music, dance, cycling, cooking, discos, films, bowling, arts and crafts, drama, a make up course, trips out** and much more! Every day there will be a range of fabulous meals available with many schemes holding family events as well.

To find out where your nearest scheme is click on this link <https://merseyplay.com/feb-half-term-activities-food/> or go to <https://www.merseyplay.com> and click on the February half term activities link from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

When you have chosen the activity/scheme you will need to contact that organisation to book a place. Each organisation will have either a telephone number, email address or online booking system. If your child has any additional needs or dietary requirements then please discuss this with the organisation when you book. There is no central booking system so please read the details of the programmes on the website and contact the providers directly.

If you want to know how to register or how to check if your child is eligible for free school meals then please click on the link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

You will need your national insurance number or an asylum seekers support number.

If you are struggling with the cost of living then please click: <https://www.liverpool.gov.uk/cost-of-living/>

If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk. Click on the link to find out how to register <https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/>

Liverpool City Council is working with Mersey Play Action Council, Sutton Croft and the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to deliver the Half Term Activity programme.

The Easter Holiday Activities and Food programme will start on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April and more details will be available on Merseyplay.com by 6<sup>th</sup> March.

Liverpool City Council is working with the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to provide the HAF programme. The programme is funded by the Department for Education.

The Family Information and SEND Directory also provides a wealth of useful information and support for families - [FISD](#).

Regards

*Sally Dobbing* Sally Dobbing - HAF Project Manager



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## 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 2024

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

Friday 10th February

Plus two extended twilight sessions



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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



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Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 27th October

Monday 19th February 2024

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