



Dates for your Diary:

Fri 31st March:  
Parents of SEND Coffee  
Morning 9am in Junior Hall

Wed 5th April:  
End of Term 1:30pm

## Message from the headteacher

Friday 24th March

Guion Street, Liverpool, L6 9DU

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,



Happy Friday! What a busy week we have had in school: 3 discos, our y5/6 book breakfast, y3's Blue Planet Aquarium trip, trips to St. Michael's church and lots, lots more.



On Wednesday, Year 6 pupils attended the annual Liverpool Crucial Crew child safety event at Chavasse House. The children spent the morning exploring different workshops designed to teach them more about how to stay safe in the local area, particularly as they transition to secondary school and gain more independence. Speakers at the event included Scottish Power, the school nurse team and the British Transport Police.



This week marked week four of LENT and, to help raise some money for CAFOD, we will be taking part in the 'Big Lent Walk'. The children will complete some laps of the playground over a two-week period, adding a tick to their record sheet each day they complete their walk. We kindly ask you to sponsor your child £1 for completion of their walk.



### Easter craft workshops for pupils and their parents/carers:

Come along next week with your child for an Easter craft session:

Y3, 4, 5 & 6 with parents/carers Easter egg decorating workshop	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	2pm – junior hall
Rec, y1 & y2 with parents/carers Easter hat making workshop	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	2pm – infant hall

We encourage parents/carers to bring with them some Easter craft materials to help make their hats/eggs EGG-stra special!





# St Michael's Catholic Primary School

With Jesus we can Achieve what we Dream and Believe!

Upcoming y3/4 book breakfast event for y3/4 pupils and their parents/carers:



Year 3 and 4	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	8.10am -8.40am.
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## Easter Assemblies and Activities

The first of our Easter Assemblies, led by year 3, will take place this coming Monday at 9:15am in the junior hall. We hope to see you there!



Date	Assembly or Activity	Class	Time
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday Assembly	Year 3	9.15am
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Last Supper Assembly	Year 4	9.15am
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Stations of the Cross	Year 5	2.15pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter 'Alive' Assembly	Year 1 and 2	9.15am
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Hat Parade	Reception and Infants	2.45pm Infant play-ground

## Parents of Special Educational Needs & Disability (SEND) Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning for parents of children who are on our SEN register on the 31st March 2023 @ 9.00 am in the Junior Hall. This will provide information about support we provide, both internally and externally. It will also signpost parents to other services that may be of interest. If your child is not on the SEN register, but you have concerns, you are also welcome to attend.

Further details and reminders will be shared through our school App/Newsletter nearer to the event.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Gordon





## After School Clubs



<b>Mon</b>	Talking it Through	Y6	Mrs. Whittaker
	Running Club	Y5/6	Mrs Gordon
	Athletics Club	KS2	Sam KMC
	Phonics Club	Y1	Mrs West
	Reading Club	Y5	Ms. Briggs
<b>Tue</b>	Choir	KS2	Rosie
	Clarinet Club	Y5/6	Resonate

<b>Wed</b>	Lego Club	Y3/4	Miss Cornett & Mr Smith
	Games Club	Y1	Mrs Miller
	Yoga Club	Y1	Mrs West
<b>Thu</b>	Lego Club	KS1	Ms. Collins
	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.

### Easter Stories: John 12:12-14 Palm Sunday



#### The Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

<sup>12</sup> The next day the large crowd that had come to the Passover Festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Praise God! God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord! God bless the King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup> Jesus found a donkey and rode on it, just as the scripture says,

God our Father,  
through our prayers, words and  
actions this Lent,  
we share your love with the world.  
Help us to always remember  
how much we are loved by you  
and help us to follow your Son, Jesus.  
We make this prayer through Jesus  
Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen**

Read the  
**Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart News-  
letters'** and



## 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!

Dean

Georgian

Freya

Rylie

Tobie

Samuel

Jozef

Pixie

Sihias

Minas

Miss Evans

Miss McMahon



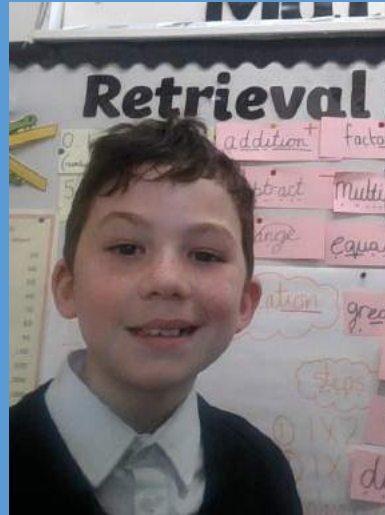
## Celebration

### SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK



This week's Scientist of the week is from Hot Shots. She has been chosen for her wonderful understanding of sound. She has demonstrated a real commitment to her learning.

### MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK



Our Mathematician of the Week has shown an incredible ability to multiply fractions and change them to their simplest form. Well done for working so hard!

### Head Teacher Awards



Year 1	Justin	Lewis
Year 2	Elizabeth	Dean
Year 3	Michael & Michelle	Eva
Year 4	Jens	Safwan
Year 5	George	Everyone!

### ABOVE AND BEYOND



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



### PHONICS STAR OF THE WEEK



This week's Phonics Star of the Week has shown amazing enthusiasm for his learning. Well done to this wonderful reader from the World Beaters.



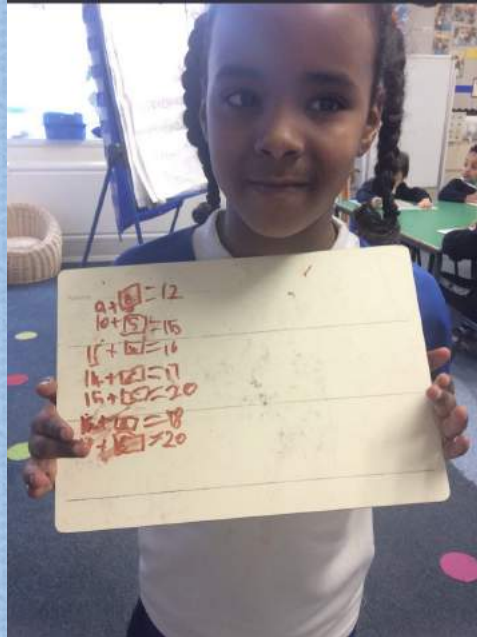
### Class Focus: Record Breakers



Record Breakers

#### English:

The Record Breakers have been working super hard and have shown real resilience and tolerance this week. In English we have been innovating 'The Tiger who came to Tea' we decided to change it to 'The dragon who came to Tea'



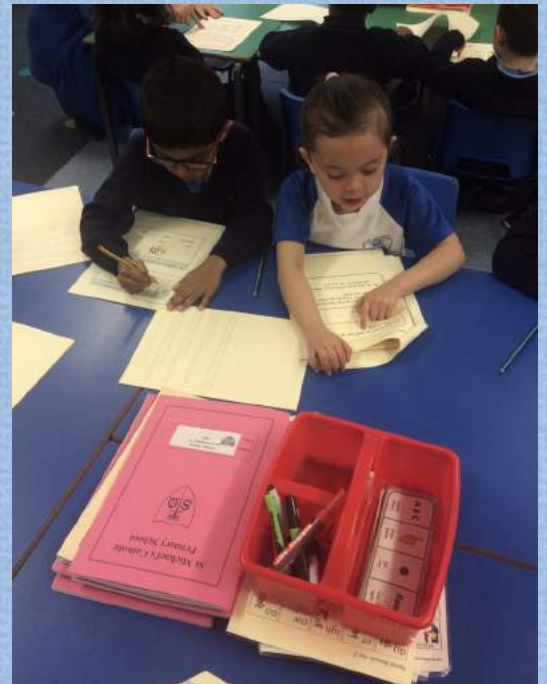
#### Science:

In Science we have been exploring our 5 senses and for British science week we learnt about Marie Curie and her work on radioactivity.



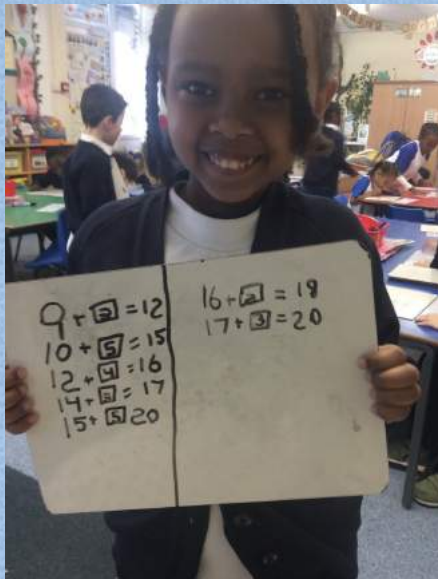
#### Maths:

In Maths we have been learning how to complete missing box challenges using a number line. We are super confident counting our jumps and finding our answer.



#### History:

In History we have been learning facts about Florence Nightingale and her red cross award from Queen Victoria. Well done Record Breakers.





## Attendance

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	96%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	92.9%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	88.1%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	94%
<b>GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2</b>	<b>99%</b>
<b>WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2</b>	<b>99%</b>
HEROES - YEAR 3	98%
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	98%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	92%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	96.8%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	98%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	91.3%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	98%
<b>CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6</b>	<b>98.2%</b>
Totals	95.8%

Well done to the **Golden Wonders** and **World Beaters** of the Infants, and the **Champions** of the Juniors, for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

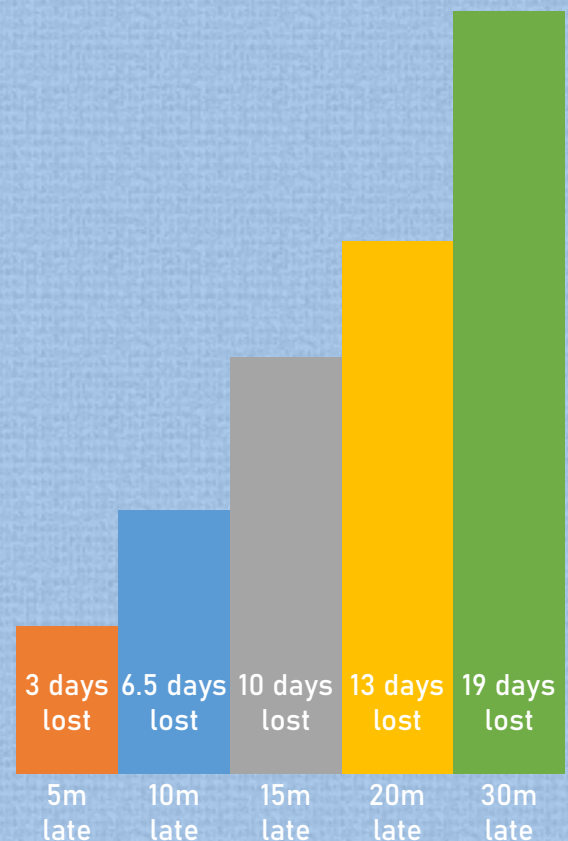


Regular attendance at school is the single most important factor in a child/children making appropriate progress and achieving success. Good, regular and punctual attendance means doing well academically, developing better relationships with other children and positive behaviour. It also sets up good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

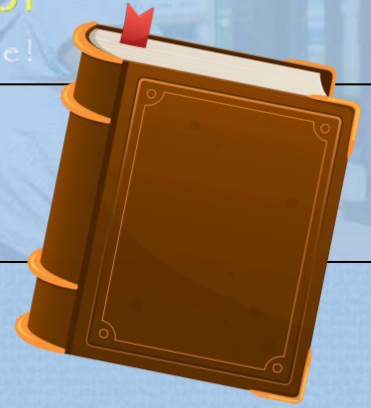


We aim for average school attendance to be 97%. There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.

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.







## 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!

### March

- Monday 27th - Cross Country at Wavertree Sports Park
- Tuesday 28th - Y3, 4, 5 and 6 Easter Egg decorating workshop with parents and carers @ 2pm in Junior Hall
- Wednesday 29th - Rec, Y1 and Y2 Easter hat making workshop with parents and carers @ 2pm in Infant Hall
- Thursday 30th - Parents and Carers Evening
- Friday 31st - Parents of Special Educational Needs & Disability (SEND) Coffee Morning 9.00 am in the Junior Hall.

### April

- Tuesday 4th - Year 3 and 4 Book Breakfast in Junior Hall 8:10am—8:40 am
- Wednesday 5th - Easter Holidays Commence 1:30PM finish
- Monday 17th - School commences

### May

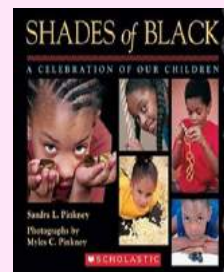
- Monday 8th—12th - KS2 SATS WEEK

## Storytime @ St Michael's

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



**The Highway Rat by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler**



**"Shades of Black: A Celebration of Our Children"**







## SEN PROVISION

St. Michael's have an extensive provision tailored to suit the needs of our current pupils. Pupil access to these provisions are provided based on assessment of needs.

To find out more, why not attend our SEN Provisions Coffee Morning: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> @9.00-9.30



We support all the primary areas of needs:

Social, Emotional & Mental Health	Sensory and/or Physical Need	Cognition & Learning	Communication & Interaction
Socially Speaking Therapy	Sensory Circuits	Morph Mastery	Talk Boost from Nursery -KS2
Time to Talk	Occupational Therapy Programme	Plus 1	Bucket Therapy
Ginger Bear Therapy	Write from the Start	Power of 2	Augmented and Alternative Communication Strategies
Sand/Bereavement Therapy	Specialist equipment e.g. Fidget Toys/busy legs	RWI 1:1 Tutoring	Visual Timetables
Lego Therapy	Fizzy Programme	Specialised Subject Tutoring	Nursery Music Programme
Drawing and Talking	Brain/Movement Breaks	Tinted Text books	Communication Play Boards
Learning Bays	Writing slopes and Pencil grips	Coloured Overlays	Use of Communication Sabotage Techniques
Therapy Putty	Ear defenders	Back Chaining Strategies	Specialist ICT equipment
Calm Corners		Fresh Start	
SEEDLINGS YPAS Emotional Mental Health Practitioner	Occupational Therapist Sleep Therapy Hearing Team	SENISS Educational Psychologist	Speech and Language Therapist Language Base

EHAT: Early Help Assessment Tool

EHCP: Education Health Care Plan



## Easter HAF Programme



Liverpool  
City Council

Date: 3 March 2023

Dear Parent or Guardian

The Easter HAF programme starts on the 3rd April and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays. Children and young people, who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the Easter break including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost to you**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **boxing, trampolining, football, music, dance, cycling, cooking, climbing, films, bowling, arts and crafts, drama, a make up course, trips out, Eurovision themed activities** and much more! Every day there will be a meal available for every child that attends.

To find out where your nearest scheme and all the details of what is on click on this link - <https://merseyplay.com/easter-haf-holiday-activities-food/> or visit [www.Merseyplay.com](http://www.Merseyplay.com) and click on the Easter HAF link (available on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March).

When you have chosen an activity, 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 ring the providers directly.

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 Liverpool Family Information and SEND Directory also provides a wealth of useful information and support for families - [LFISD](http://LFISD).

Regards

*Sally Dobbing*

Sally Dobbing - HAF Project Manager

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## 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 FAST  
The number to call if you need help now

jo@samaritans.org

samaritans.org



NSPCC

## Worried about a child?

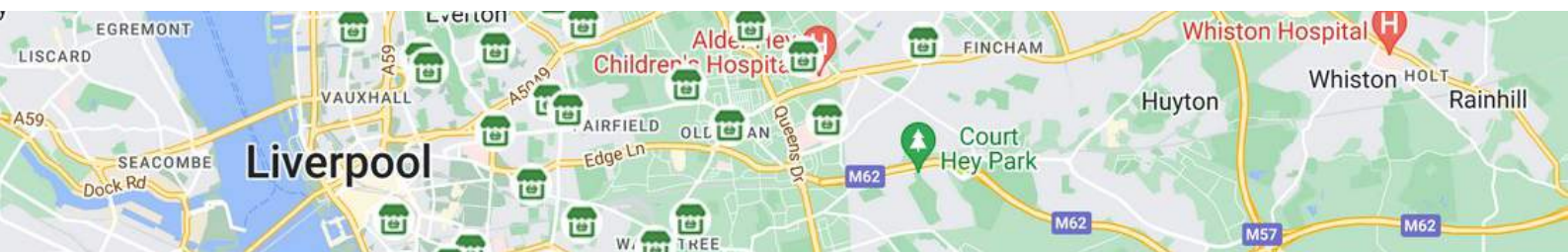
0808 800 5000  
help@nspcc.org.uk



**Community Food Spaces are places where local people come together around good food.**

- They are commonly led by local community members and local community organisations.
- They have good food at the heart of what they do, with many also connecting with activities or services beyond food.
- They play a part in tackling local food waste, often using surplus food that would otherwise have gone to landfill.

If you are interested in making new friends, saving money on your food bills, volunteering in your local community or tackling local food waste, use this map to find Community Food Spaces in your local area.





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 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

Friday 10th February

Plus two extended twilight sessions



## 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)