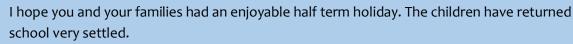
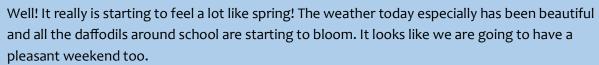
Headteacher's Message

Friday 28th February

Dear Parents and Carers,





And Blues

Year of Jubilee - 2025

Pope Francis has decreed that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, a holy year which happens every 25 years in the Catholic Church.

We are invited to be a pilgrim in the Church Year of Jubilee.. Pilgrims of Hope

In a world that is growing more unjust and unequal, we invite people, schools and communities to experience the joy and strength in coming together as we respond to God's call for a reset, a renewal of faith and a recommitment to a just world.

In school we will be thinking about how we can be Pilgrims of Hope to help create a world of justice, peace and love. This week we have been thinking about Peace and how we can be a peacemaker.

St Michael's official launch of the Jubilee Year in school – Tuesday 11th March. There will be a range of activities for the children to participate in and enjoy. On this day the children are invited to wear the Jubilee colours of yellow, green, red and blue.

Year Group Date

Over the next few weeks and months we will keep you all updated about events, activities and assemblies about this special Jubilee Year we are having in school.

Bring your Parent/Carer to lunch in school

Here is the schedule: Please note new date for year 5. Rescheduled to accommodate year 5 Swimming lessons.

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Year 5	Wednesday 12 th March	12.15pm
Year 6	Thursday 27 th March	12.15pm
Year 2	Thursday 8 th May	11.45pm
Year 1	Thursday 19 th June	11.45pm
Reception	Thursday 3 rd July	11.45pm

The lunch for the adult is free. One adult per child (parent/carer/family member 18+)

A google sign up form has been sent to year 5 group parents/carers. You must sign up to join us. We need to have numbers in advance for catering purposes and our safeguarding risk assessment.

The google form included the menu for the day and we have also asked you if you have any allergies etc;

Use of Mobile Phone on the playgrounds at drop off and pick up

Can I please strongly discourage parents/carers and adults not to enter school using their mobile phones. This is a time to mix and chat with other parents, but most importantly be ready to welcome your child/children and chat to them about their day – they are always so excited to see you.



Thank you

Headteacher's Message Continued

Ash Wednesday 5th March

Next marks the beginning of LENT with Ash Wednesday. Father FitzGerald will be joining us for an Ash Wednesday Service for the junior children.



Dates for Spring Term 2025

DATE	EVENT	YEAR GROUP	ADDITIONAL
			INFORMATION
Tuesday 11th March	Whole School	All school	Own clothes – dress
	Launch of Jubilee		in colours of
	Year of Hope		Red,Blue ,Green
			and Yellow
Wednesday	Bring your	Yr5	YR5 Parents/Carers
12 th March	parent/carer to		invited
	lunch		
Friday 21st March	Comic Relief – Red	Whole School	Own clothes – with
	Nose Day		red theme'
Thursday 27 th	Bring your	Yr6	YR 6 Parents/Carers
March	parent/carer to		invited
	lunch		
Friday 28th March	Mother's DAY	Year 2	Parents/Carers
	assembly		invited
Thursday 3 rd April	Parents Evening	Whole School	Parents/Carers
			invited
Friday 4 th April	Palm Sunday	Year 1 (Palm	Parents/Carers
	Assembly and	Sunday)	invited
	Spring Songs	Easter and Spring	
		Songs (Reception)	
Monday 7 th April	Last Supper	Year 4	Parents/Carers
	Assembly		invited
Tuesday 8 th April	Stations of the	Year 5	Parents/Carers
	Cross		invited
Wednesday 9 th	Easter Alive	Year 3	Parents/Carers
April	Assembly	Year 6	invited
Wednesday 9 th	Easter Bonnet	Infants	Parents/Carers
April	Parade		invited

School Closes Thursday 10th April at 1.30pm

Dates for Easter Craft Workshops and Easter Discos will be shared next week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best Wishes,

Mrs Rigby



Focus: Chess Club

The Year 6 Chess Club is proving to be a huge success, with many students eagerly taking part each week. The club is incredibly popular, and the children are really enjoying the challenge of competing against their classmates. Matches are always competitive, with players thinking carefully about their next moves and improving their strategies. Chess is a fantastic way to develop important skills such as problem-solving, critical thinking, and patience. It also helps to improve concentration and teaches players how to plan ahead. Whether they win or lose, the students are learning valuable lessons that will benefit them both in and out of the classroom.





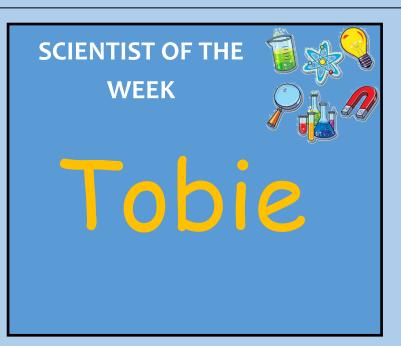


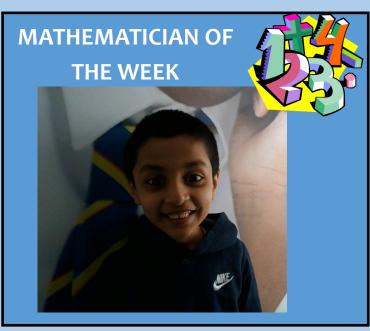


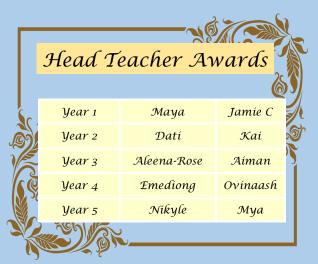




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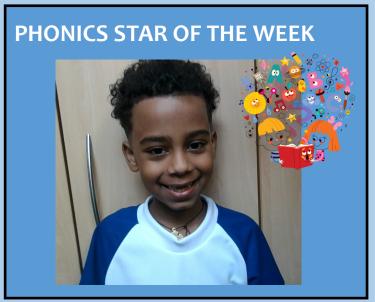














St Michael's Catholic Primary School

With Jesus we can Achieve what we Dream and

	After School Clubs	
Monday	Tutoring Y6- Mrs Sillitoe Ball Skills - Y3 and Y4	
Tuesday	Tutoring Maths Y6- Mrs Sillitoe Craft Club for KS2– Miss Cornett	
Wednesday	Chess Club for Y6– Mr Smith Yoga & Mindfulnes– KS2 Around the world / Arabic for Y5 & Y6	
Thursday	Y6 Tutoring - C Howard Maths Club for Y4– Miss Sharpes	
Friday	Y5 Basketball	

	PE Days	
R	Tuesday	
Year 1	Friday	
Year 2	Tuesday	
Year 3	Friday	
Year 4	Monday	
Year 5	Swimming Thursday PE Friday	
Year 6	Monday	



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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Samuel

Matthias

Harinakshi

Emmanuella

Mazeed

Adan

Dixie Lou

Lira

Etimbuk

Zerlina

Yotam

Kauã

Oluwatiresimi

Jeremy

Sara



Attendance



WIN A BIKE!!! THE CHILDREN WITH
THE BEST ATTENDANCE OVER THE
YEAR WILL BE ENTERED INTO A PRIZE
DRAW IN JULY!

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	95.5%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	98.7%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	93.7%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	97.3%
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	96.4%
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	96.7%
HEROES - YEAR 3	93.3%
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	94%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	95.8%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	99.2%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	99.2%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	91.5%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	100%
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	96%
Totals	96.2%

Well done to the Whizz kids and the Superstars for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

These classes have won this week's mini disco & crisps for best Class attendance. Well done

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Attendance Ladder

Equates To:	100%	OUTSTANDING
4 School days missed in an academic year	98%	VERY GOOD
7 School days missed in an academic year	96%	GOOD
10 School days missed in an academic year	95%	ALMOST
School days missed in an academic year	94%	IMPROVEMENT
20 School days missed in an academic year.	90%	CONCERNED ATTENDANCE OFFICE WILL BE IN TOUCH
29 School days missed in an academic year.	85%	VERY

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 rela-



children and also sets up young people life. Should I keep my

Child Off
SCHOOL?

Yes

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tionships with other positive behaviour. It good habits for when enter into work and

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.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In the interest of your child's safety and well being, a named adult needs to be contactable at all times. Please ensure the school has at least 3 up to date telephone numbers. If school are unable to contact you and have concerns we may call the police and request a welfare check.

Can you please call school at the beginning of the day if your child is going to be absent.

3 days 6.5 days 10 days 13 days 19 days lost lost lost lost lost



Parenting, SEN and other support







St Joseph's Prayer Centre is a retreat and spirituality centre located within the National Trust Nature Reserve at Freshfield on Merseyside.

We are available for day visits and residential stays for individuals or groups, seeking a quiet and peaceful place to pray, reflect or meet.

We also offer a number of retreats and events.

COMING EVENTS

Lent Each Friday 7.00 p.m. Way of the Cross, pray and reflect

April 26 - 27 Retreat: Behold and Capture (Photography and prayer)

May 2 - 4 12 Step Spirituality

June 16 – 20 Guided Retreat 1ed by Fr. John Mc.Cluskey MHM

27 - 29 Retreat: Diving Deeper led by Peter and Michelle Moran

Sept. 7-13 Guided Retreat 1ed by Fr. John Mc.Cluskey MHM

19 - 21 Retreat Living your life in the Power of the Holy Spirit. Led by Ros Powell

Healing Service and Healing Mass Each Month May - September.

See flier for details

"Come aside to a quiet place, and rest awhile" Mk 6:31

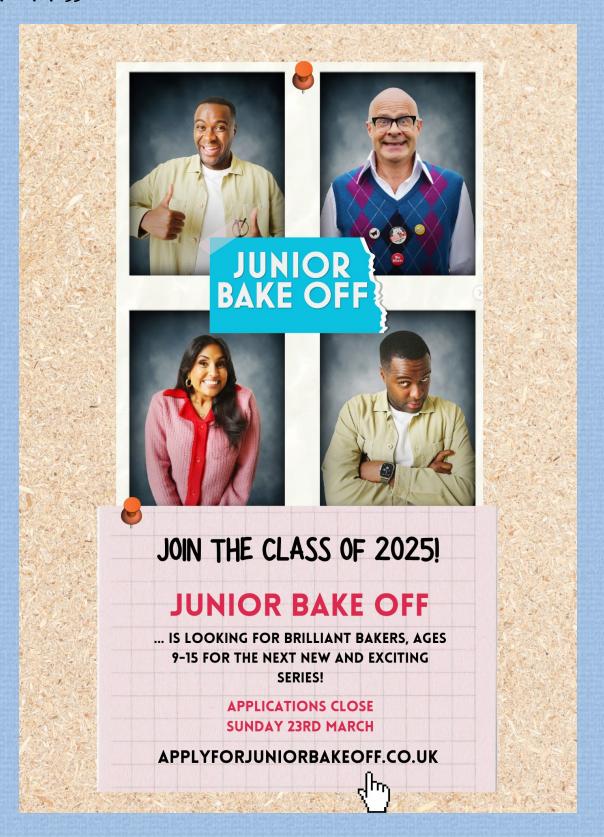
St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Blundell Avenue, Formby, Liverpool L37 IPH

Telephone - 01704 875850 Email - theprayercentre.stj@psmgs.org.uk

Opportunities



The 11th series of *Junior Bake Off* is now open for applications. The show, airing on Channel 4, seeks young bakers aged 9-15. Applications can be submitted online at www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk before the deadline on **Sunday, March 23, 2025**. Filming begins in **July 2025**. For more information, contact **0207 067 4833**..



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Aspire Education offer further education opportunities, providing high-quality destinations enabling positive next steps post-course completion. Due to huge success of the Aspire School Support Course, we have received further funding to further develop school support knowledge. We want to provide the next career progression route by offering the following:

NCFE CACHE Level 3 Early Years Foundation Stage - Children and Young Peoples Workforce

The Level 3 Early Years Foundation Stage Skills Bootcamp enhances school support CV even further, recognizing and developing your knowledge and understanding and establish personal, learning and employment goals within the education sector.





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Arts4Us

Become a Member of our

Young Arts4Us Panel



between the ages of 9 and 13 with previous experiences of challenges with your mental health?



Are you currently between ages **14-24** but had previous experience you were aged 9-13?

Are you interested in **creative arts**



WHY your voice is important?

Young people will help lead the project, work together with researchers, community groups, and healthcare staff to understand what **arts activities** young people want, and how they support young people's mental health.



WHAT would you be asked to do?

As a Young Arts4Us Member you would:

- join a group of young people to **share** your ideas and opinions, meeting up to 6 times a year (either online or in person).
- provide **feedback** on relevant documents
- co-design creative research outputs



HOW would you benefit from this?

Young Arts4Us members also

- payment of up to £25 per hour or equivalent in vouchers
- travel expenses to cover in person meetings at Edge Hill University
- training, support and **mentorship** in research methods, leadership, and other life skills for the future
- certificates and other forms of recognition CLICK HERE ×



Arts 4 Us is a research supporting the mental health of young people aged 9-13 through arts activities such as drawing,

The project will create a digital platform (e.g. a website, or App)



YoungArts4Us@edgehill.ac.uk for more information or scan the QR code to show your interest.





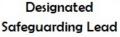
Safeguarding & Support





Safeguarding Team

If you are feeling sad, upset, hurt or scared you can talk to any member of staff.





Co-designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Gordon

Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Team Member

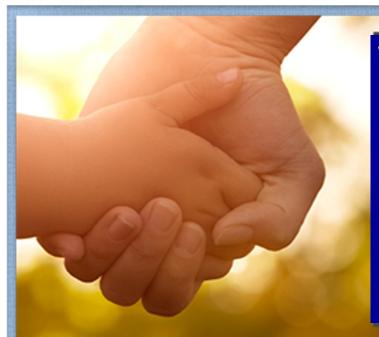


Safeguarding

Safeguarding Governor



If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please speak to a member of the team.



Worried about a Child or Young Person?

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

Children's Advice & Support Service CASS- 0151 459 2606

St Michael's Catholic Primary School Term Dates 2024 -2025

Autumn Term 2024

Term: Tuesday 3rd September - Friday 20th December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Tuesday 3rd September to Friday 25th October

Half term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December

Terms ends: Friday 20th December 2024

Spring Term 2025

Term: Monday 6th January - Thursday 10th April

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Half term: Monday 17th February – Monday 24th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 - Tuesday 25th February to Thursday 10th April

Term ends: Thursday 10th April 2025

Summer Term 2025

Term: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 18th July (May Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May)

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May

Half term: Monday 26th May to Friday 6th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 - Monday 9th June to Friday 18th July

Term Ends: Friday 18th July 2025







Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Six extended twilight session

St Michael's Catholic Primary School

Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

Term: Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 19th December

Pupils: Autumn Term ° – Wednesday 3rd September to Wednesday 22nd October

Half term: Thursday 23rd October to Friday 31rd October

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 3rd November to Friday 19th December Terms ends: Friday 19th December 2025

Spring Term 2026

Term: Monday 5th January – Wednesday 1st April

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 5th January to Friday 13th February Half term: Monday

16th February - Friday 20th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Monday 23rd February to Wednesday 1st April Term ends:

Wednesday 1st April 2026

Summer Term 2026

Term: Monday 13th April to Tuesday 21st July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 - Monday 13th April to Friday 22nd May Half term: Monday 25th

May to Friday 5th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 8th June to Tuesday 21st July Term Ends: Tuesday 21st July

Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 1st and 2nd September 2025

Six extended twilight sessions





