

Headteacher's Message

Friday 28th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

Springtime is now officially here and we are currently having perfect Spring weather!



Year 5 Residential Trip to PGL

Last Friday a large group of children from year 5 returned from a very successful trip to Winmarleigh Hall in Lancashire. The sun shone every day allowing us to fully access and enjoy a wide range of activities:



Climbing, canoeing, orienteering, shelter building, problem solving, having a go on the 'giant swing', and climbing the vertical ropes! Over the two evenings we took part in a camp fire and a silent disco – both were great fun!

All the children set themselves personal goals to have a go at the different activities – they all showed great resilience and courage. We were all super proud of each and every single child. **Well done!** We are arrived home – exhausted but lots of great stories to tell!

A big thank you to all the staff who attended this trip: Ms Gibney, Ms Murray, Ms Birch, Ms Haynes, and Ms Priestly. Staff leave their own families to be with the children – which we are extremely appreciate and grateful for.

This is my third residential trip this year and I have thoroughly enjoyed them all – it is always a great privilege spending quality time with the children and my colleagues.

Thank you to all the families who support us with these trips too and all the lovely thank yous on our return.

See some pics below!





Headteacher's Message Continued

LENT

We are now in the **third** week of LENT.

During LENT we always raise money for **CAFOD**. This is an international development charity who reach out to people living in poverty.

Each class has set up a 'saving bottle' where staff and children are encouraged to drop in 1ps, 2ps and 5ps. These will be collected and all given directly to CAFOD. So, if you can support please do! **THANK YOU**



1ps, 2ps and 5ps



Mother's Day Assembly – Year 2

Wow! What a beautiful assembly led by year 2 today for all their mums, carers and grandmas. Our visitors were treated to some lovely sweet treats and a cuppa on arrival and then sat and enjoyed a wonderful selection of songs, prayers and readings. The children shared how special our mums are and how much we love them.

Our mums were then presented with a MOTHERS DAY card and some spring flowers wrapped up with a yellow bow!

Thank you to all the children, Year 2 staff and all the visitors who joined us.

I wish all our mums and carers a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday. I hope you get chance to put your feet up and relaxeven if only for a short time!

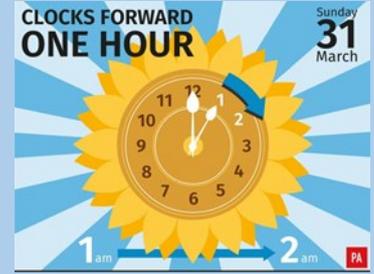




Headteacher's Message Continued

Clocks change on Sunday ... go forward!

This Saturday night/Sunday morning we move to 'British Summer Time'. Clocks go forward by one hour.



Happy Eid al-Fitr

I would like to wish all our families who will be celebrating Eid al-Fitr a wonderful and special time with their families and friends.



Dates for Easter **Craft Workshops**:

Reception Class and Infants: Tuesday 1st April 2.15pm-3.15pm

Juniors: Wednesday 2nd April 2.15pm -3.15pm

If you wish to attend the workshops you MUST sign up in advance. A google sign up has been shared earlier today through Parent App. Due to health and safety if you do not sign up unfortunately you will not be able to attend.

Easter Disco's: Children must purchase a ticket (£1) this will include refreshments. Tickets will go on sale next week.

Infants and Lower KS2 (YR3&4) Tuesday 8th April
3.30pm – 4.30pm

Infants Infant Hall

Yr3 and Yr4 Junior Hall

Upper KS2 (yr5&6) Wednesday 9th April **3.30pm - 4.30pm**

Yr5 and Yr6 Junior Hall

School Closes **Thursday 10th April** at 1.30pm

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes – Mrs Rigby

Dates for Spring Term 2025



DATE	EVENT	YEAR GROUP	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Thursday 3 rd April	Parents Evening	Whole School	Parents/Carers invited 3.30-6pm
Friday 4 th April	Palm Sunday Assembly and Spring Songs	Year 1 (Palm Sunday) Easter and Spring Songs (Reception)	Parents/Carers invited 9.15am
Monday 7 th April	Last Supper Assembly	Year 4	Parents/Carers invited 9.15am
Tuesday 8 th April	Stations of the Cross	Year 5	Parents/Carers invited 9.15am
Wednesday 9 th April	Easter Alive Assembly	Year 3 Year 6	Parents/Carers invited 9.15am
Wednesday 9 th April	Easter Bonnet Parade	Infants	Parents/Carers invited 2.45pm Infant playground



Focus: A Journey through Art and History at The Walker

A group of St Michael's children, who have been working on an Art Project in collaboration with Liverpool Learning Partnership, had a fantastic day at the Walker Art Gallery in Liverpool, immersing themselves in both history and creativity. The visit began with a guided session led by gallery staff, where pupils explored artworks by L.S. Lowry, Elizabethan portraiture, and contemporary paintings. Sketchbooks in hand, they responded with their own creative drawings, inspired by the powerful pieces around them.

Later in the day, the class explored the gallery's Renaissance and Baroque collections with Mr. Smith and Ms. Hayes. From dramatic and gruesome tapestries to richly detailed oil paintings, pupils enjoyed seeing the grandeur of historical art up close – they even had a private lute concert!

It was a brilliant mix of hands-on art, historical learning, and cultural appreciation. A big thank you to the gallery staff for their fantastic session and warm welcome.





Rowan Garth Care Village Trip - Minnie Vinnies

On Thursday the Mini Vinnies went to visit Rowan Garth Nursing Home. The children brought great joy to the residents as they coloured in pictures, sang songs and chatted to them. The children and residents are really looking forward to their next visit.



Anfield Legends Game

Last Saturday, some lucky children were drawn from a hat to win tickets to go to see Liverpool Legends vs Chelsea Legends. The children loved the experience of going to Anfield and their behaviour was impeccable.





Celebration

SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK



MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK



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!

Reader of the Week



PHONICS STAR OF THE WEEK





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 & Mindfulness- 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	
Year 5	Swimming Thursday PE Friday
Year 6	Monday

Aspirations: Luke 1:46-55
Women of the New Testament

Mary's Song

Mary was so happy, she sang a song of praise to God.
"God is so good. My heart is full of joy. I give thanks and praise to God, for God has blessed me very specially. I am poor and unimportant, Yet God has done such great things for me. Holy is God's name. God is so strong. God's love lasts for ever. God looks after everyone. God is with the poor and the hungry. God is always very close. God never forgets anyone."

Class prayer time




March is
Women's History Month
A time to celebrate the lives of courageous and inspirational women throughout history.

This week we will reflect on the words of some of the women of the New Testament, starting with Mary, the mother of Jesus



Our friend Jesus,
Show us how to be brave enough to stand up for what is right & fair.
Give us the aspiration & courage to change the things we know are wrong,
Help us to make the world a fairer place for everyone.
Amen

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

School Family Support Worker

Erin Devereaux



Erin is available to talk privately about any concerns or issues.

Drop ins every Tuesday at 9:00am

Erin Devereaux 07598068682

erin.devereaux@liverpool.gov.uk

Ask at reception for more details

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ainshiyen	Adedamola-Ethan
Georgia	Oluwalonimi
Esmae	Steven
Ellen	Samuel
Antonia	Minas
Freya-Blu	Pixie
Jozef	Ms. Evans
Testimony	



Parenting, SEN and other support



Anti-bullying information tool

FREE interactive online information for parents and carers

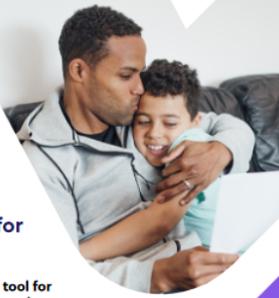
ABA has developed an online anti-bullying information tool for parents and carers. The tool will help parents and carers who are:

- Concerned that their child may be vulnerable to bullying at school
- Worried that their child might be getting bullied
- Aware that their son or daughter is being bullied
- Just wanting to learn more

Parents and carers can follow the sections that are of particular interest to them or browse the whole site.

The site includes information on:

- What bullying is
- Types of bullying
- Fall outs
- Bullying as a group behavior
- What to do if your child is or you think they are being bullied
- How to respond if you think your child is bullying others
- What schools should and must do about bullying
- Bullying and the Police
- Cyberbullying
- Where parents and carers can get further support and advice



"Simple, effective, informative."
(Participants' feedback)

To visit the Information Tool please go to:

www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/parenttool

For any questions or issues with the interactive tool, please contact: aba@ncb.org.uk

UNITED AGAINST BULLYING

Baby sleep patterns

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the lullaby trust

You might feel that you should help your baby to sleep for longer or through the night. However, it is normal for babies under one (or sometimes older) to wake during the night.

Babies' sleep patterns are different to adults' and change over the first few years.

Young babies will wake frequently to be fed. Night waking can be really hard, so asking for help and making a plan for how to cope can really help.

Encouraging babies to sleep for longer and more deeply for their stage of development may affect their ability to wake up if something is wrong, such as if their mouth and nose become covered. This is a risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

How much do babies sleep?

Newborn

Your baby may sleep for anywhere between eight to 18 hours a day, but only for two to three hours at a time.



3-6 months

Your baby may sleep for longer periods now as they need fewer night feeds. Some babies may sleep for eight hours or longer at night, but not all will.



6-12 months

Your baby may sleep for up to 12 hours at night but factors like teething, illness or hunger may mean they wake more frequently again.



Around a third of babies will have never slept all night by 12 months. All babies are different and their sleep patterns will change, so try not to compare your baby to others. If you are really worried about your babies' sleep pattern, ask your midwife, health visitor or GP for support.

For more advice on safer sleep for babies visit: lullabytrust.org.uk



Remember: Sleeping your baby in the same room as you for at least the first six months helps to reduce the risk of SIDS

This poster was produced with support from Basis: www.basisonline.org.uk

SHADOW PUPPET WORKSHOPS

FREE for Children Age 7-13

Easter 2025

Snacks Provided



Limited Spaces. Ages 7-13 only

For More Info Email: ArtGroupie@outlook.com



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DATE	TIME	LIBRARY
TUES 8TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	WAVERTREE
WEDS 9TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	NORRIS GREEN
THURS 10TH APRIL	11:30AM - 3PM	SPELLOW
FRI 11TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	SEFTON PARK
SAT 12TH APRIL	AM ONLY - 11AM - 1PM	BIRKENHEAD
MON 14TH APRIL	PM ONLY - 2PM - 4PM	HUYTON
TUES 15TH APRIL	11AM - 12:15PM 12:30PM - 3PM	PRESCOT
WED 16TH APRIL	11AM - 1PM 2PM - 4PM	HALEWOOD
THURS 17TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	FAZAKERLEY
FRI 18TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	GARSTON
SAT 19TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	ALLERTON
SAT 10TH MAY	FREE FAMILY PUPPET DAY 11AM - 3PM	LIVERPOOL CENTRAL LIBRARY



Parenting, SEN and other support



March 2025

Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each - Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Schools can now buy a
FACE School Annual Membership
which means **ALL** parents and **ALL** staff
get unlimited **FREE** access to **ALL** 16 parent talks

Tuesday
4th March
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Improving Family Communication

How to reduce the shouting and arguing and start the talking.

Tuesday
11th March
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Understanding Anger: Yours and Theirs!

What is anger? Why do we have it?
How do we manage it in ourselves and in our children?

Tuesday
18th March
19:00 - 20:30
£24



Anxiety Explained

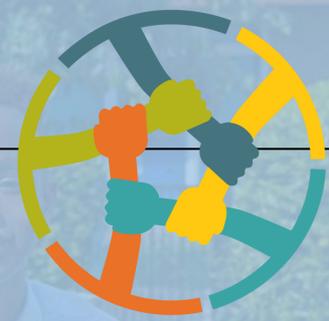
Anxiety, especially in our young is rising.
This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Tuesday
3rd April
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.



MGL

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

PROTECTING PRIVATE AND PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLINE

ISSUE 2

PROTECTING YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

In today's digital age, it is more important than ever that children are learning how to protect their personal information online. Remind children that before sharing their information, they should ask themselves the following:

- Do I know this person?
- Is the site secure? (Look for a  in the web browser)
- Am I sharing any private details? (Birthday, school, address)

By following this process, children build a routine that protects their personal information.



TOP ONLINE SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN:

Help your child build smart online habits with these key tips:

- **Check privacy settings** – Only friends should see their posts.
- **Never share personal details** – No addresses, phone numbers, or school names.
- **Use strong passwords** – Mix letters, numbers, and symbols.
- **Only accept real friends** – Don't add strangers online.
- **Think before posting** – Photos and comments stay online forever.

APP SPOTLIGHT - INSTAGRAM



This week's app spotlight is Instagram.

Instagram is popular for sharing pictures and videos, but as a parent, it's important to know what to monitor if your child is using it. Without guidance, children could be exposed to harmful content, strangers, or pressure to post things they don't fully understand.

- Instagram requires users to be at least 13.
- Make sure your child's account is set to private.
- Regularly check who is following them; they should only connect with people they know.
- Keep up with what they are posting.

Scan the QR code to learn more:





Safeguarding & Support



Safeguarding Team



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

Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Birch

Co-designated
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Gordon

Deputy
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Rigby

Safeguarding
Team Member



Mrs Reilly

Safeguarding
Governor



Ms Riley

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

With Jesus we can Achieve what we Dream and Believe!

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

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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 31st 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