

# Headteacher's Message

Friday 25th April



Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025



Dear Parents and Carers

A warm welcome back to the summer term. I hope you and your families had an enjoyable Easter break.

## **Appointment of New Headteacher for September 2025**



Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to share with you the wonderful news that Mrs Jade Gordon has been successfully appointed as the new Headteacher!

**Congratulations** Mrs Gordon!

Mrs Gordon had a highly successful interview and was appointed by the governors to start this post in September. She is going to be truly brilliant. I know you will all join me in congratulating her and wishing her every success in this new post.

I know you will all be delighted and offer your support to her as she takes up this very important post in the new school year.

The school will keep going from strength to strength under her headship. I am thrilled to be handing over the leadership of the school to such an outstanding leader.

Thank you and Best Wishes – Mrs Alyson Rigby

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### Sad News about Pope Francis



**We continue to pray for Pope Francis remembering and celebrating the great work he did.**

**As the world mourns his passing, Pope Francis' legacy will be remembered as one that brought the Church closer to its mission of love, mercy and justice.**

**His teachings will continue to inspire Catholics and non-Catholics alike, ensuring that his call for environmental responsibility and a fairer world remains alive for generations to come.**

**Pope Francis wrote: "In the end we will say only: I don't recall anything in which You are not there."**

**We give thanks for his life, and commend him to God's mercy and love.**



*A Prayer for Pope Francis*

*Taken from the Order of Christian Funerals*

*O God,  
from whom the just receive an unfailing reward,  
grant that your servant Francis, our Pope,  
whom you made vicar of Peter  
and shepherd of your Church,  
may rejoice forever in the vision of your glory,  
for he was a faithful steward here on earth  
of the mysteries of your forgiveness and grace.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

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## **Children returning to school –**

*It is always lovely to welcome the children back to school. The children can wear their summer uniform.*

*Please remember it can still be quite chilly so children may need a light jacket, school jumper and cardigan.*

*Here is a link to our school uniform [Click Here](#)*

## **Summer Term Activities**

*The Summer term is going to be very busy with many activities and events for children.*

*We have nearly confirmed our plan for the term – this will be shared next week so all families have key dates.*

## **Wednesday 30 April is Stop Food Waste Day**

This is an international day to raise awareness about food waste and encourage actions to reduce it. The day is part of a global effort to combat food waste.



We launched this important day in our celebration assemblies today. On Wednesday the children across the school will be doing a range of information finding and fun based class-based activities to find out more about Food Waste and what we can all do to reduce it.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend – Mrs Rigby

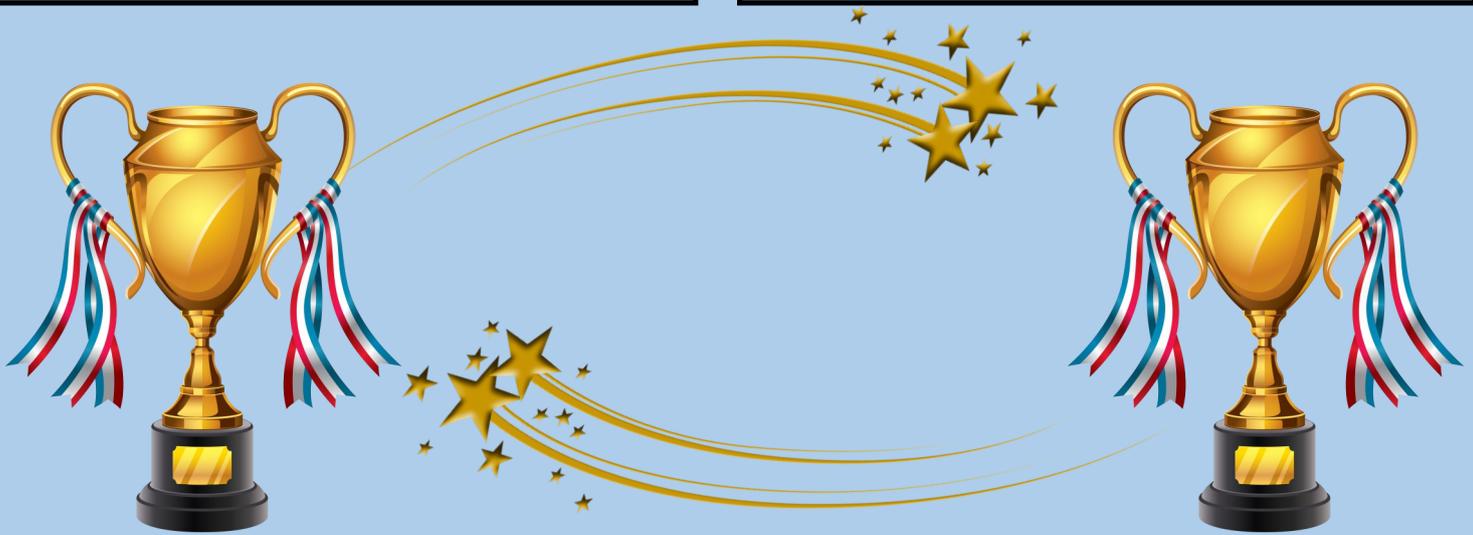


## Celebration

SCIENTIST OF THE



MATHEMATICIAN OF



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	Monday
Year 5	Swimming Thursday PE Friday
Year 6	Monday

**Democracy & Peace**  
Rule of Law (Elections in May)



**Peace;**  
*(pees; noun,*  
a state of mutual harmony between people or groups, especially in personal relations; untroubled; tranquility; content.

**Romans 12:17-18**  
If someone has done you wrong, do not repay him with a wrong. Try to do what everyone considers to be good. Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody.

Class prayer time

Generous God,  
Support us in all we do  
As a vine supports its branches,  
And help us to support each other.  
Especially in our classrooms,  
Working and learning together.  
**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](mailto:erin.devereaux@liverpool.gov.uk)  
Ask at reception for more details

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Stephanie

Darcie

Dati-Abasi

Jax

Zion

Mariana

Tanim

Mrs. Hollywood

Brian

Mrs. Birks

Leo

Miss Sharpes

Athan



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## FA Trials for School Football

LIVERPOOL SCHOOLS FA  
EST 1887



OPEN TRIALS FOR ALL OUR TEAMS

BOYS - U10 TO U16

GIRLS - U11 TO U15



STEVEN GERRARD, LIVERPOOL - SCHOOLBOYS 1993-95,  
RECEIVING HIS HONOURARY RECOGNITION CAP.

USE THIS QR CODE AND FOLLOW RELATED  
LINKS TO THE ONLINE FORMS







## Parenting, SEN and other support



### Anti-bullying information tool

#### FREE interactive online information for parents and carers

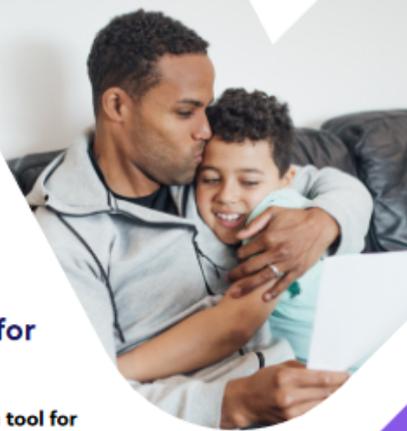
ABA has developed an online anti-bullying information tool for parents and carers. The tool will help parents and carers who are:

- 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](http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/parenttool)

For any questions or issues with the interactive tool, please contact: [aba@ncb.org.uk](mailto:aba@ncb.org.uk)



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# ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

## SCREEN TIME BALANCE – MANAGING HEALTHY SCREEN HABITS

ISSUE 4

### MANAGING SCREEN TIME

Children are naturally drawn to using devices—such as tablets, phones, and laptops—whenever they get the chance. Managing how much time they spend on these devices can sometimes feel like a challenge.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) recommends:

- **1 and under:** Screen time is discouraged.
- **2-4-year-olds:** Limit screen time to no more than one hour per day.
- **Older children:** Limit screen time to no more than two hours per day.



### HEALTHY SCREEN HABITS

Healthy screen habits help your child get the most from their device while maintaining a balanced lifestyle. Here are some tips to help:

- **Content matters:** Be specific about what your child can do during their screen time.
- **Smooth transitions:** Prepare a follow-up activity to ease the shift when their screen time is over. This helps prevent potential outbursts and makes it easier for your child to disengage.
- **Be a role model:** Limiting your own screen time will set a positive example for your child and choose to do offline activities together.

### APP SPOTLIGHT - TIKTOK



This week's app spotlight is TikTok. TikTok is a popular short-form video sharing platform. Like with all apps, children using TikTok can be exposed to distressing and inappropriate content, risk receiving messages from strangers and develop unhealthy screen time habits. It is important, as a parent or guardian, to monitor your child's TikTok use.

- TikTok requires users to be at least 13 to make an account and use the app, though 16 and older is suggested.
- Keep on top of your child's 'For You Page' (FYP) to ensure that the content they are viewing is age appropriate.
- Make sure their account is set to private.

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

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### 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



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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



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Monday 1st and 2nd September 2025

Six extended twilight sessions