

Newsletter 18

March 2024



Word of the Week –
salvation



DIARY DATES 2024

28th March – 12th April – Easter
School closes at 2pm

April 2024

15th – Nursery goes FULL TIME

15th – BACON BARS go on sale

17th – PTA AGM @ 7.30pm

18th – Yr 1 Phonics screener meeting
@ 3.45pm

19th – Traditional Class Photos

23rd – St George's Day – uniforms for
organized groups

23rd – PTA Yr 1 Sale

27th – PTA Quiz Night

29th – Learning Cafes Week

May 2024

6th – BANK HOLIDAY

9th – Prayer Meeting

9th – Reception Sale

9th – PTA Coffee Morning

13th – Yr 6 SATs Week

20th – Pentecost Service

22nd and 23rd – Summer Concert

June 2024

7th – PTA Disco

10th – Yr 6 to Kingswood

14th – Non Uniform Day

22nd – Summer Fayre

July 2024

2nd – SPORTS DAY

9th – Prayer Morning

17th and 18th – Leavers Show @ 7pm

19th July – Yr 6 Leavers Service

Last day in school - 22nd July @ 2pm
School Closes for Summer

3rd September – Children back to
school

Message from Mrs Bacon

It has been a busy term, will I ever say anything different? Busy is good!!!

As you know we have implemented a new phonics scheme – this has meant a lot of new learning for the staff and we have been really pleased with the progress the children have made over the last few months – so a huge Thank You as always to my staff who have all worked so hard to make this work.

I was lucky enough to attend the Enfield Dance Festival as a very proud Headteacher, I watched the children's beautiful performances – Thank You to Mrs Goddard for the time and effort she puts into making this a huge success and to Mrs Jones and Mrs Bicknell, who worked with her to organise logistics.

How much fun was World Book Day, we all loved the experience of having children and their families together. Let's us continue to use this enthusiasm for all things books and reading during the holidays and make sure we all READ! READ! READ!

Year 5 Shout Out!

I really feel they need a little shout out this term for their performances – they have been so incredibly busy. They had their swimming lessons, they learnt the saxophone and clarinet and performed to the parents. They also led the Passion Service at St Michael's Church which was the most beautiful retelling of the Easter Story which they had written themselves. Amazing – So proud of you all.

Road Works

Cadent will be carrying out some underground works to replace gas pipes on Brigadier Hill. This is due to start on the 30th March for 8 weeks. This means there will be traffic lights and the road closed. Please plan your journeys to school after the Easter Break accordingly.

Reviews

We are always striving to deliver the best education and environment for the children and have organised a series of reviews with external school improvement partners such as: the London Diocesan Board of Schools (LDBS) and the Local Authority (LA). This term we have had a focus on Safeguarding, Science, Maths and Phonics. It was important to me that Pupil Voice played a significant part in all of these reviews. All of the reviews have provided us with great feedback on areas of strength and areas for development. Next half term we will be focusing on RE and will be sharing some of our developments in this area soon! I think it is important to share with you our journey as a staff team, as part of our school Bible Verse is about 'walking humbly with God.' For me this is about us recognising that we are not perfect and the importance of continuous development and willingness to learn for our community.

A well deserved break: Easter is such a beautiful time for reflection and family - Mrs Bacon, Head Teacher

Photos of the Month



Irish Dancing was a huge hit

Thank you to Mrs Nugent – who single handedly taught all the children in the school to Irish Dance we were able to celebrate St Patrick's Day with an Irish Ceili.



What a great assembly with CBBC presenter Joanna Adeyinka-Burford sharing her book - What's Up – so many children have told me how much they are enjoying reading it.



St Michael's C.E. Primary School

Love, Respect, Integrity



Year One Grow Baby Project

Year one had a very successful visit to Grow Baby this week, collecting and delivering items for babies and young children. The charity supports local families in need and they were very pleased with our donations and support.

Going forward, we would like to strengthen our connections with them and ask that if anyone has any good quality baby and children's items, please let us know. They welcome clothing, prams, buggies, nappies, wipes, baby wash items, toys and books.

Sports Successes

Team St Michael's have been going for gold this term! A huge congratulations to Mr Smith and the Girls' Football Team for winning the league – A first in over ten years! The success has followed St Michael's onto the track with the year 3/4 cross country team coming within the top ten in the borough! Back on the pitch, in honour of International Women's Day, our aspiring Lionesses had the opportunity to participate in a training session at Tottenham Hotspur Training Ground – An inspirational session hosted by Spurs trainers! Finally, St Michael's have been lucky enough to secure spaces in this year's TSC mini marathon, participants will get to run through the iconic London Marathon finish line to secure a medal and some money towards equipment for the school!

Message from Phil Wren – Chair of the PTA

This year has been a bumper year for the PTA and the most successful year to date. We kicked off the year with an amazing Alice in Wonderland themed summer fayre and we have gone from strength to strength since. We have held some extremely successful events, our race night and fireworks event sold out in a matter of hours and we ended the year with our recent talent show, and what a night that was, St Michael's really does have talent!

This year we have broken our target. With your help we have raised a whopping £31,905.00 this year. We have already funded a new iPad across each year group, music lessons for year 5, paid towards the Nutcracker experience and contributed towards new Chromebooks per phase throughout the school. We have in total donated £21,693.00 to St Michael's with a further £5000 promised this month. We couldn't do this without the support of our wonderful volunteers and the support of our community who buy the tickets and attend our events. The committee would like to extend our sincere thanks for the support we have received from you all.

You should have seen via our communication that our AGM is being held on the 17th of April 2024, this year we have a number of positions that have no nominations. Without a full committee we will be unable to continue to raise the much needed funds that help enhance our children's education and learning. **Please come along to the AGM, and consider joining the committee. Please speak to a member of the PTA for further details or send me an email to:**

ptastmichaels@hotmail.com

Mindfulness Message from Success Club

Next time you find yourself outside walking in a familiar place, try to spot five things that you've not noticed previously. Maybe it's a new bud on a tree; the pattern of clouds in the sky or the way the light dances through the leaves. This exercise is a gentle reminder to stay present and find joy in the simple, beautiful moments of life.

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Governors' Maintenance Fund

Another request for your contributions to the Governor's Maintenance Fund. Only 34% of our community have paid so far – please can you support us with either a one-off payment of £40 on Parentpay - or a smaller denomination that will help us with those Building Repair jobs. Many Thanks

Money Raised for Charity

NSPCC/ Number Day - £364.58
Red Nose Day / Comic Relief - £385.01

Thank You!!!

Let us pray: Thank you God, for new life in the springtime, for flowers and birds, for bright green new leaves. Thank you God, for new life at Easter, For Jesus who is with us, right now and every day. Amen.