



# St. Michael's CE (VC) First School Newsletter

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It has certainly been a busy time in school and I hope you have enjoyed seeing what all the children have been learning on our newsletters.

This week we successfully held our first over the phone parent consultations and our online booking system worked well as we all adapt to new ways of working.

A big thank you to all of the children, parents and school staff for supporting the new systems that have been put in place to keep everyone safe in these unusual times.

Have a wonderful half term, it will be good for us all to recharge our batteries in preparation for a busy second half of the term. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you in a week's time.

Mrs J Wass

## Harvest

Thank you to everyone that donated tins and packets of food for our Harvest collection.

Stone Community Hub are very grateful for the produce that will be used in food parcels for people in need of support.

## Certificates and Special Awards

### *Nursery*

Connie    Bridget    Harry    Ivy

### *Early Years*

Izaak    Myles    Bane    Sebastian

### *Year 1*

Arthur    Beth    Bella

### *Year 2*

Isaac    Theo    Stephanie

### *Year 3*

Louie    Matilda

### *Year 4*

Milo    Zachary    Mia-Jayne

## Year 4



This week, Year 4 have enjoyed a rainy outdoor learning session where they worked in teams to create pictures of animals using natural resources.

We've also had an exciting visit from a real-life Viking, please look at our school Twitter page to see more photos from this day!



## Early Years



This half term we have had an Autumn leaf focus and the children have enjoyed planning the lessons with us based on their interests. Recently we have made feeders for the birds; scooping out oranges to

make bowls for seeds and coating pine cones in seeds. We have also been collecting leaves of different sizes from around the school grounds, making a giant leaf mobile, mixing colours and producing some lovely art work through leaf rubbings.

## Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning to recognise numbers. We took number cards into the woods and collected items to match. As you can see we've been very busy!



## Year 1

Year 1 travelled back in time to experience what it would have been like at school in the Victorian era. They had a very strict teacher 'Miss Smith' who made them write out their alphabet in chalk! Children decided it was much more fun in Year 1 at St Michael's than in the Victorian classroom!



## Year 2

Year 2 have been observing nature in the Autumn. They have been outside in the school grounds looking at the changes going on. They used all their senses to draw and write about the changes.



## Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed a fun packed day when 'Portals to the Past' visited school for our Stone Age workshop. We handled some real woolly mammoth bones and learnt the importance of standing stones. We had a go at building our own models of Stone-henge which was harder than it looked! Our favourite part of the day was when we had to pretend to be Stone Age hunters and work out the best way to hunt a mammoth.





As part of black history month we would like to share one of the relevant articles from the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the child).

**Article 8** - Protection and preservation of identity - Every child has the right to an identity. Governments must respect and protect that right, and prevent the child's name, nationality or family relationships from being changed unlawfully.

### Flu Immunisation

The School Age Immunisation Team came in this week to administer flu vaccinations to all children whose parents had consented.

If you missed it you can book a community clinic appointment by telephoning the team on 0300 124 0366 or via email: [School.Immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk](mailto:School.Immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk)

### Diary Dates

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

School Closed for Half Term

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November Themed Lunch Bonfire Menu

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November Faith Day

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

School Closes at 3.30 for Christmas Holidays

### House Points

Week ending 16th October

Week ending 23rd October

