



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

## Newsletter

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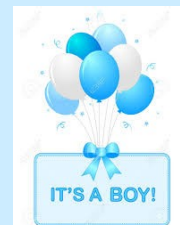
It has been an incredibly busy two weeks in school with lots of fantastic activities taking place in all of the classrooms and it has been wonderful hearing from the children about what they have been learning.

Last week saw our first WOW week of the school year, Christmas Around the World. I hope you enjoyed arriving on Monday morning to find our school decorated, festive music playing and all of the adults in school looking very Christmassy! Although the real snow didn't arrive all of the children had great fun playing in our 'snow' and enjoying a warming hot chocolate in their classrooms afterwards!

Today we have sent out information on how and when to contact the school should your child test positive for COVID-19 during the holiday period and how we will contact yourselves if your child needs to self-isolate following contact. Please ensure you read this letter carefully to help us keep all of our school community safe. Thank you.

Please can we ask all adults who are dropping off and collecting children on our school site to maintain social distancing and wear a face covering (unless medically exempt). We want to keep our school community as safe as possible, please help support us in this. Thank you.

*Mrs J Wass, Headteacher*



Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Farrell who have had a baby boy who they have named Toby.

We send them every happiness and wish them a wonderful family Christmas.

### Certificates and Special Awards

#### Nursery

Bridget Ivy Toby Alfie Pippa

#### Early Years

Harrison Damien Jake Tristan

#### Year 1

Sophie Harvey Aaliyah Lily Georgia Olive

#### Year 2

Lewis Eryn Ida Mya All of 2WF All of 2S Freddie Theo

#### Year 3

Leyton Tobias

#### Year 4

Lily Harry L Henry Amelia Isabelle H

### Nursery

What fun we had learning about Christmas around the world.

The children found it very funny when hearing how people in different countries say "Merry Christmas".

We ended the week by playing in pretend snow and drinking hot chocolate.



### Year 2

Year 2 have been investigating light in science.

We used the torches to create our own shadows in the classroom.



### Year 1

Year 1 have enjoyed the 'WOW week' by learning about Christmas traditions and celebrations from our own country, and comparing them to those in France, The Netherlands and Japan.

We finished the week by having a Nativity day and learning about The Christmas story and making the characters from the story in their own stable.



### Year 4

Year 4 loved last week's WOW week "Christmas around the World". We had so much fun playing in the snow, drinking hot chocolate and learning all about how different countries. We also made hanging decorations using ribbon and string as part of our outdoor learning.



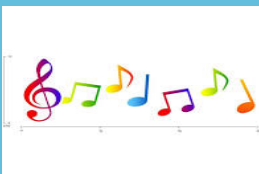
### Early Years

Early Years have been busy learning to play lots of games ready for our own 'Christmas fair' in our outdoor play area next week. We have been practising hoopla, hook a duck, thinking of a name for teddy and guessing the number of chocolate coins in the jar.

### Year 3

Every Tuesday Year 3 have been working with Mrs Frost to learn how to play the violin.

As they are unable to hold a Christmas concert this year they have made an audio recording for their parents to enjoy at home. Look out for further details next week.





### Advent Wreath

In worship we have watched a video of how an advent wreath is made and learnt what each item symbolises.

### Christingle

We also had great fun learning about the meaning of a Christingle and how to make one.

Everyone in school made their own Christingle to take home.



### The Donna Louise Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to everyone that donated to the Donna Louise Hospice for today's Christmas Jumper Day.

We have raised £164 so far.

### Christmas Raffle

Many thanks to all who have purchased tickets for our raffle. We have raised an amazing £516 that the PTA will use to support activities and resources in school to help enhance the children's learning experiences. Winning ticket holders will be contacted next week to make arrangements to collect their prizes.

### Diary Dates

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Christmas Lunch

Class Parties -come to school in party clothes, sensible shoes and coats (no uniform or PE today)

School Closes at 3.30 for Christmas Holidays

Back to School

### House Points

Week Ending 4<sup>th</sup> December

2029

2067

2131

1938

Week Ending 11<sup>th</sup> December

2209

2276

2338

2133