



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

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The children have quickly settled back into school life following the half term holidays.

As you will see from the class page below, learning based around bonfire night and Diwali has been much enjoyed in the classrooms.

We were very proud of all of the children and how they observed the 2 minutes silence in school on Thursday for Remembrance Day.

I wish you a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Wass, Headteacher

If you know anyone looking for a school place in Reception 2022 please invite them along to our

Open Evening

Wednesday 17th November

5.00pm—7.00pm

Visitors can take a tour of the school, meet the staff and view all of the facilities we have to offer.

Face masks are requested to be worn unless medically exempt.

Certificates and Special Awards

Nursery

Nia Eevee Abigail Zack Nathaniel

Early Years

Hattie Elsie Emily Charlotte

Year 1

Tilly Ted Myles Teddy

Year 2

Billy Lily Megan Alexander

Year 3

Dylan Stephanie

Year 4

Jack Noah

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Christian Values Certificates

This half term we are focusing on the Christian Value of Compassion in our worship time.
The following children have been presented with a Christian Values Certificate
for showing compassion towards others.

Nursery

Jessica Eevee

Reception

Arthur Sophie Harrison Enfys

Year 1

Toby Norton Alyssa Grace

Year 2

Evelyn Millie Pippa Layla

Year 3

Isabelle Eryn

Year 4

Oliver Abigail



Catering Assistant

City Catering have a vacancy in our school kitchen:

This is a term time only role. You will start on a pay rate of £9.43. Working within our friendly and supportive kitchen team, your job will include food preparation, cleaning, washing up and serving lunch to pupils and school staff. They provide uniform and on going training from an employer who is keen to invest in your development.

Please contact

Sally Jackson on 01782 236462

Staff Vacancies

We have vacancies for lunchtime supervisors.

For further information please contact:

Mrs Switzer

finance@st-michaels-stone.staffs.sch.uk

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Nursery

We are enjoying our introduction the 'Celebrations and Festivals' topic. When learning about Bonfire night we made firework pictures using paint and glitter. We are also thinking about Remembrance, and painted our hands red to create poppy pictures.



Early Years



Our new Celebrations topic has begun and the children have enjoyed learning about Diwali and Bonfire Night. We have been exploring the story of Rama and Sita, making Rangoli shape patterns in maths and creating leaf fire works in forest school.

Year 1



We have been learning about the Diwali festival. We went into the dark forest and let the tea lights and candles guide them, just like in the story of Rama and Sita. They were thinking about why light is so important at Diwali.

Year 2

Last week we created firework pictures using natural materials. We discussed our own experiences and described what we saw.



Year 3

We have enjoyed learning about bonfire night last week and creating firework pictures using oil pastels.



Year 4



We have started our new science topic of 'Teeth and Eating'. We have begun by examining all of the different parts of the digestive system and trying to learn their names. We were very surprised by how long the intestines were! We are going to be learning all about how our digestive system works to break down food, as well as the different types of teeth that we have and how to look after them.

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UNICEF Ambassadors Update



As this week has been Remembrance Day we are exploring Remembrance Day and Article 38 - protecting children from war and armed conflicts. "Governments must not allow children under the age of 15 to take part in war or join the armed forces.

Governments must do everything they can to protect and care for children affected by war and armed conflicts."



Diary Dates

Monday 15th November	Wear odd socks for awareness of Anti-Bullying Week
Friday 19th November	Children in Need Day no uniform, wear something spotty
Friday 26th November	Hamper donation collection—non uniform day Nursery—wear a Christmas outfit
Monday 29th November	PTA Raffle tickets on sale until 9th December
Thursday 2nd December	Reception (EYF and EYJ) Height and Weight Measurement Programme
Friday 10th December	PTA Raffle drawn
Monday 13th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 17th December	Christmas Jumper Day School Closes at 3.30 for Christmas Holidays
Wednesday 5th January	School Opens for Spring Term

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