

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

Number 08

The children have all enjoyed a huge range of activities to support children's mental health week alongside our other curriculum learning. I hope you enjoy reading in our newsletter about what has been happening both in the classrooms and our learning in the school grounds. The bulbs that the children planted in the school grounds to celebrate our 50th anniversary are starting to grow and we look forward to seeing them bloom soon—Spring is on its way!

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs J Wass Headteacher

11th February 2022

Children's Mental Health Week

What a great week we have all had for Children's Mental Health week. The children have enjoyed daily activities ranging from the physical and emotional, to practical, hands-on learning. Yesterday, it was brilliant to see all of the children expressing themselves through their outfits and today, the children have sung and danced as a whole school out on the playground. Well done to all involved and a big thanks to you for your continued support!

Miss A Whitney

Deputy Headteacher and Mental Health and

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Certificates and Special Awards

<u>Nursery</u>

Chloe Mabli Kai Megan Eevee Bobby

Early Years

Jayden Arthur Louie Ronnie

Year 1

Alyssa Lucy Harley Ted

Year 2

Luca Layla Oskar Luca Miss Austin

Year 3

Noah Lewis

Year 4

Finn Oliver

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Christian Values Certificates

This half term we are focusing on the Christian Value of Courage in our worship time.

The following children have been presented with a Christian Values Certificate

for showing that they have courage.

Nursery

Zach Chloe

Reception

Ivy Jayden Henry Bella

Year 1

Cleo Harrison Sophia Dexter

Year 2

Georgia Scarlett Niamh Freddie

Year 3

Oliver Lewis

Year 4

Jake Tilly



<u>Diary Dates</u>

Thursday 17th February Years 3 and 4 to Cadbury World

Friday 18th February School Closed—Inset Day

Monday 21st—Friday 25th February School Closed—Half Term

Monday 28th Feb-Wednesday 2nd March Book Fair

Thursday 3rd March Nursery Dress up as a Book Character Day

Friday 4th March World Book Day— Dress as a Book Character

Friday 18th March Year 3 Roman Workshop

Friday 8th April Break Up for Easter Holidays

Monday 11th—Friday 22nd April School Closed

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Nursery

We have been finding all about Chinese New Year. We have all learnt to say 'Kung Hei Fat Choi' at registration and loved making glittery lanterns. They also enjoyed tasting rice and noodles, mastering the technique of using chopsticks! We



read the traditional tale of how 12 animals had a race to be the best, painted pictures of these animals and even had a go at Chinese writing.

Year 1

During our RE lessons, we have been learning about the story of Moses from the Old Testament. We re-enacted Moses and the parting of the Red Sea, with Mrs Wright as Moses and Miss Hale telling the story.



Early Years



This week we have been learning all about Chinese New Year. We have enjoyed creating our own dragon dance in PE, we have acted out the story of the Chinese zodiac, and we have been getting creative making our own tiger pictures to

celebrate 2022 being the year of the tiger.

Kung Hei Fat Choy everyone!

Year 2



This week we had great fun planting beans.

We also made pictures using gulal powder which the Hindus use as part of their Holi celebrations.



Year 3



In Science, we have been learning about magnets. This week we investigated which materials different magnets would work through. Next week, we will be presenting our findings to the rest of the class.

Year 4

This week we have been learning outdoors in maths. The children were drawing their own shapes on the playground with different areas and comparing them.



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