



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

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It has been wonderful to welcome our children back for the start of another school year. The children have all settled quickly into school life and are all fully engaged in their learning. It's hard to believe that we have only been in school for just two weeks with everything that has been happening within the classrooms. I hope you enjoy reading about some of the activities that have taken place on the following pages.

Many thanks to those who attended our Meet the Teacher sessions. It has been fantastic to be able to welcome parents back into school and offer these opportunities once again now the COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted.

We look forward to a busy year ahead of us filled with fun and learning.

Mrs J Wass, Headteacher

Certificates and Special Awards

Nursery

Mabel Evie Lily Abigail

Early Years

Millie Bobby All of EYF and EYJ

Year 1

Ronnie Rose Kai Enfys

Year 2

Tiffany Harley Cleo Esme

Year 3

Thea Holly Chloe Will

Year 4

Ginny Jackson

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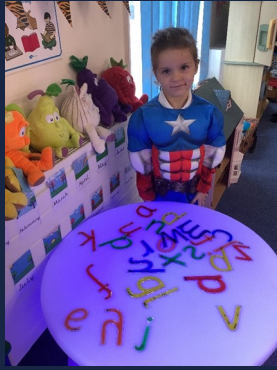
Nursery

We have been busy exploring the school environment.

Our role play area is based on the story 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'.

We are learning to name colours and have made colour monsters.

We like earning house points and being awarded special certificates.



Early Years

We have been having great fun making new friends, exploring inside and outside our classrooms and around school. The children are all starting to settle in really well and we are so proud of them all.

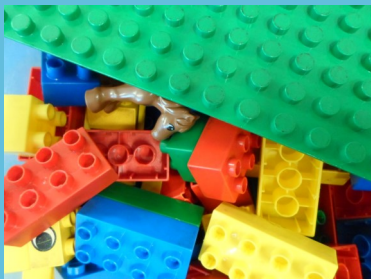
We have been spending lots of time getting to know your children and building those really important relationships with them, but most importantly we've all been having lots and lots of fun!



Year 1

We have had a super busy week in Year 1 and the children have impressed us with their excellent counting skills! They have been using a range of equipment to make numbers to (some above) 10. Children made these numbers using Doh, Lego, Counters, Cubes and much more.

Well done Year 1!



Year 2



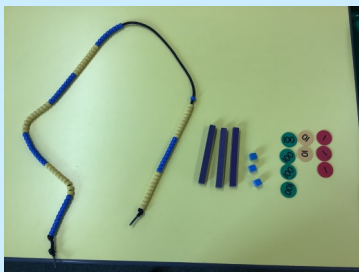
We have been very busy making numbers using our tens



frames and dienes equipment in Maths.

We also had great fun in our computing lesson giving instructions to move a rocket from the Earth to the Moon!

Year 3



We have been exploring place value. We have used lots of different equipment to make 2 and 3 digit numbers. We have also been finding 10 more and 10 less of a number.

Year 4



In English, we have started work on the book 'How To Train Your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell. As part of exploring the book, we went outside to draw dragon eyes. We did this by finding knots in trees (tree bark makes excellent dragon skin!) and then used chalk to create the eyes.

It was great fun!



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Christian Values Certificates

The following children have been presented with a Christian Values Certificate for demonstrating one of our school values

Nursery

Oscar

Early Years

Molly Chloe

Year 1

Connie Caleb Hannah Charlie

Year 2

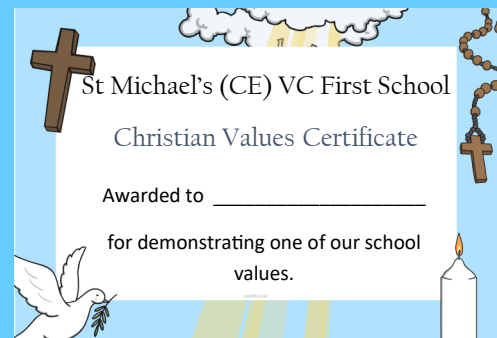
Amelia Travis Lexie Ted

Year 3

Arthur Leila Albert Elizabeth

Year 4

Isaac Noah



Lost Property



The children all look very smart in their school uniforms. Please ensure that all items (including PE kits) are named so any lost items can be quickly reunited with their owner.

Thank you.

House Captains

The children in Years 3 and 4 have elected their House Captains for this year. Well done to all of the children who put themselves forward for this role and confidently gave their speeches.

This year's successful House Captains were:

Blue Jack and Eleanor

Yellow Harry and Annie

Red Isabelle and Lewis

Green Ida and Isaac

Preloved Uniform

As part of our ongoing commitment to helping the environment and reducing waste, we have a number of items of preloved uniform in school. These uniforms are all in very good condition and have lots of life left in them.

If you would like any items of uniform, please contact the school office.

House Points

Week Ending 16th September

233

277

173

232

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Geography

Thank you to everyone that entered our Geography 'Summer Holiday' competition. I've loved looking through all of your answers and also trying to guess where some of you went in the Summer Holidays.

We are nearly ready to zoom off to our first destination of the new school year. I wonder if you can guess where we will be visiting? It's a country in the continent of Europe, it has the most visited art museum in the world and a famous cycle race that passes through lots of different areas in the country, including this year six main upland or mountainous areas.

Can you guess where we are visiting next?

Mrs R James
Geography Lead

Maths Themed Day

The children (and staff) all looked amazing during our 'Robots and Rockstars' WOW Day. During the day the children have accessed Numbots and TT Rockstars to help support their mathematical development.

All children from Year 1 - Year 4 have their own personal login and can access this fantastic resource at home. Please have a look at this with your child at home to help develop their mathematical skills and knowledge.



Diary Dates

Monday 19th September	School Closed—Bank Holiday
Wednesday 21st September	Early Years and Year 1 Parents' Phonics Evening 6.30pm
Thursday 22nd September	Choir club starts (Years 3 and 4)
Friday 23rd September	Jeans for Genes Day (non uniform)
Monday 26th September	Adventurers starts
Thursday 29th September	PTA AGM, 7.30pm (letter to follow)
Friday 30th September	Early Years Family Café 9.00am
Thursday 6th October	CENSUS Day— themed lunch
Tuesday 11th October	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Wednesday 12th October	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Friday 14th October	Year 3 Prehistoric Britain Workshop
Friday 21st October	School Closed—Inset Day

Monday 24th October—Friday 28th October School Closed—Half Term

Monday 31st October School Opens

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