



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

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I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful half term holiday. The children have quickly settled back into the first week of the half term.

All of the children (and staff!) enjoyed coming to school in their pyjamas for World Book Day and taking part in a range of book based activities.

Our school grounds are beginning to show lots of signs of spring which the children are enjoying seeing during their Forest School lessons.

We look forward to welcoming you to our parents evening consultations next week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Wass  
Headteacher

## Certificates and Special Awards

### Nursery

Theo Harry Evie Annabelle Eliza

### Early Years

Noah Chloe Lilly Kai

### Year 1

Rose Kaiden Zachary Freddie

### Year 2

Tilly Dan Jack Travis Lexie

### Year 3

Will Elizabeth Pippa Niamh

### Year 4

Stephanie Oliver

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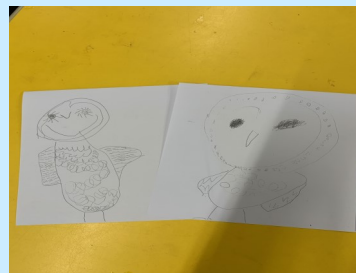
## Nursery

We are finding out about spring and have painted lots of colourful flowers for outside display. We have also made rainbows using tissue paper and painted a sunshine and rain drops.

Our new role-play area is a building site, and our challenge is to count the bricks as they use them, who will build the tallest tower?



## Early Years



We are exploring nocturnal animals and in our art we have begun by sketching owls. We focused on the shapes we can see, how to draw the feathers and looking closely at features of an owl.

## Year 1

We have been learning all about the Monarch and have all role played what the rules would be if we were the King or Queen.



## Year 2

We are working on multiplication and division at the moment.



We also had great fun in Science this week building houses out of different materials and testing them to see if they were waterproof. We also used a fan to see if they blew down!



## Year 3

We really enjoyed coming to school in our pyjamas on Thursday. We were able to redesign our favourite book front cover. Throughout the day we had two secret readers come and read their favourite book to us. This was really fun.



## Year 4

We are continuing to enjoy all about Stone. Recently, we have learnt about the story of how Stone came to be and, in art, we have looked at the traditional canal boat artwork, 'Roses and Castles'. We are continuing to find out more about the history of canals, including the engineer, James Brindley, who is responsible for designing and building the canal that runs through Stone.



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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

Zachary Hudson

## Early Years

Alicia Nathaniel Bobby

## Year 1

Ava Charlie Harrison Katie

## Year 2

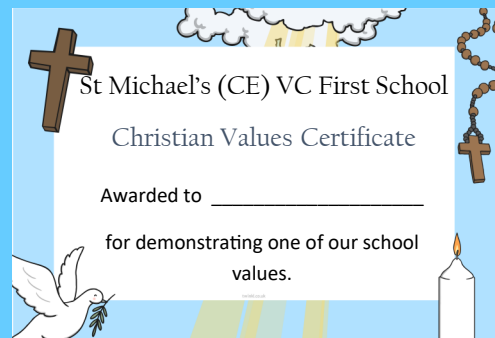
Jake Ellie Chelsea Chester

## Year 3

Elijah Freddie Finley Ivy

## Year 4

Keira Isabel



## Geography



This week we will be zooming back to Europe for our next stop on our Journey around the world.

Can you use these clues to work out which country we will be visiting?

The largest mainland mountain is the 'Torre'.

The longest river is the 'Tagus'.

The largest lake is 'Lake Alqueva'.

When you have worked out where we are going, can you find out the name of the capital city?

If so, let me know next week!

Good Luck!

Mrs James

Geography Lead

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## Diary Dates

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| Tuesday 7th March                         | Year 4 Canal Walk<br>Parents' Evening 5.00-8.00pm  |
| Wednesday 8th March                       | Parents' Evening 4.00-6.00pm (y4 also 9.30-10.30am)  |
| Thursday 9th March                        | Year 3 to Church   |
| Friday 10th March                         | PTA Dress Down Day (letter to follow)  |
| Monday 13th March                         | British Science Week<br>Science Project Deadline   |
| Friday 17th March                         | Comic Relief Day (uniform, wear something red)   |
| Sunday 19th March                         | Choir to Sing at Mothering Sunday Service, St Michael and St Wulfad's Church 10.30, all welcome                                      |
| Monday 27th March                         | Easter WOW Day   |
| Tuesday 28th March                        | KS1 (yrs 1&2) Easter Worship 9.15-9.45am<br>KS2 (yrs 3&4) Easter Worship 10.00-10.30am<br>Nursery Easter Art Activity Session 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 29th March                      | Early Years Easter Themed Café 9.00-10.15am<br>KS1 (yrs 1&2) Easter Worship 2.00-2.30pm<br>KS2 (yrs 3&4) Easter Worship 2.45-3.15pm  |
| Thursday 30th March                       | Year 3 to Church<br>Easter Themed Lunch<br>PTA Chocolate Bingo (letter to follow)  |
| Friday 31st March                         | Year 3 Roman Workshop<br>Break up for Easter Holidays  |
| Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April        | Easter Holidays, School Closed   |
| Monday 17th April                         | School Opens   |
| Monday 1st May                            | May Day, School Closed   |
| Monday 8th May                            | Bank Holiday (King's Coronation) School Closed   |
| Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June           | Half Term, School Closed   |
| Monday 5th June                           | School Opens   |
| Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July         | Inset Days, School Closed  |
| Wednesday 26th July— Friday 1st September | Summer Holidays, School Closed   |

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