

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

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Since our last edition, there has been plenty going on here in school. We celebrated the King's Coronation as a whole school community. Our street party was enjoyed by all as we sang the national anthem together and ate at tables decorated with flags and balloons. We danced on the sunny playground where it was fabulous to see the array of party outfits and 'royals' that were having a fantastic time.

We have recently had lots of new playground equipment which is available to all pupils during their break times. Due to some of the sunny weather as well, the children have been able to use the field and play using the new equipment to its full potential.

As you walk through the gates into school, we do have a wildlife garden. As a school, we feel it is really important to encourage insects, who play such an important role in keeping our habitats alive, to thrive. Please help respect the area by keeping the children from running on the grassed area of this - thank you.

Miss A Whitney, Deputy Headteacher

Certificates and Special Awards

Nursery

Holly Theo Louis Abi Evie Annabelle

Early Years

Bradley Haydee Mabli Olivia

Year 1

Kara Abigail Dexter James Toby

Year 2

Sam Ralphie Toby Teddy

Year 3

Georgia Indie Joel Lexi-Mae

Year 4

Isaac Grace

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Nursery

We have thoroughly enjoyed exploring in the woods. We investigated the signs of spring, collected items

of interest and even held a worm or two!

During Deaf Awareness week, we played lots of listening games, learnt to spell 'nursery' using sign language and read the story Freddie and the Fairy by Julia Donaldson.

Of course we all enjoyed dressing up for our Coronation party and we

all made sparkly crowns.



Early Years

We were busy preparing for our visit to the zoo. We looked on the website and learnt about some of the different animals that we would see.

We printed off the zoo map and planned routes around the zoo so that we could visit all of our



favourite animals.

Year 1



We have enjoyed doing lots of activities all about King Charles. We did pop art work in the style of Andy Warhol.

We also wrote a letter to King Charles thanking him for his service and asked him lots of questions.

Year 2

We have been having lots of fun this week, first of all we had great fun with Mrs Hodgkinson looking at the life cycle of a dandelion. Then we designed and made our own disgusting sandwiches - strangely no one wanted to eat them for their lunch!





Year 3

We have enjoyed learning all about maps and ordnance survey symbols. We found the different symbols on the maps and played bingo using them too.



Year 4



We took part in Bikeabilty Level 1 and on top of this some of us learnt to ride a bike then do the Level 1 training all in 1 day! We learnt so much about road safety and how to handle different situations whilst riding our bikes. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed the training and had great fun, despite the odd shower of rain.

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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

<u>Nursery</u>

Lily Mabel

Early Years

Eevie Lilly

Year 1

Zoja

Year 2

Alice Lexie Jack

Year 3

Emily Scarlett



Friendship Club



Hair

Please ensure that long hair is tied up. All hair accessories should be school colours and small (no large bows, novelty headbands etc.).

Coats

Although the weather is improving we still have a few chilly or showery spells so please send your child in to school with a light waterproof jacket.

House Points

Week Ending 12th May

Running Total

 428
 331

 443
 530

 1215
 1030

 1061
 1212

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Diary Dates

KS1 SATS Week W/C 22nd May

Years 3 &4 Topic Walk Thursday 25th May

Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June Half Term, School Closed

Monday 12th June Year 4 to INSPIRE at Lichfield Cathedral

Wednesday 14th June Year 2 to Peak Wildlife Park

Sept 2023 Reception Parents Open Evening 7.00pm

Thursday 15th June Year 4 Transition Afternoon

Choir to Stafford Grammar Tuesday 20th June

Sports Day KS1 (Years 1&2) 9.15-10.30am Early Years 11.00—11.45am Wednesday 21st June

Sports Day Nursery 9.15-10.15am KS2 10.15 -11.45am Thursday 22nd June

Monday 26th June Year 4 Transition Day

Tuesday 27th June

Year 4 Transition Day Early Years Visit to Stone library

September 2023 Reception Stay and Play 2.00-3.00pm

Tuesday 4th July September 2023 Reception Storytime 2.00-3.00pm

Thursday 6th July PTA Summer Fair 5.00-7.00pm

Tuesday 18th July Year 4 Leavers Service 6.30pm

Thursday 20th July Year 4 Leavers Party 5.00-6.30pm

Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July Inset Days, School Closed

Wednesday 26th July—Friday 1st September Summer Holidays, School Closed

Further details of all events will be sent out in due course

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