

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

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I hope you enjoy this week's Newsletter, it has certainly been a busy few weeks in school both in the classrooms, our school grounds and children taking on a range of responsibilities in school.

Our Year 4 School Council members represented our school community wonderfully on Remembrance Sunday taking part in the parade and laying a wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of the school.

Thank you to all who supported our Unicef cake sale both through your kind donations and buying cakes. Well done to our Unicef Ambassadors for their super sales skills at the event.

We had a lot of fun this afternoon when Pudsey Bear came to visit. Many thanks for all of your donations for Children in Need—the children (and staff) looked fantastic dressed up in school.

Don't forget to check our dates section for upcoming events (it's a very busy time in school!)

Mrs J Wass Headteacher

Certificates and Special Awards

Lunchtime Awards

Evie

Chloe

Cilioe

Alfie

<u>Nursery</u>

Dhairya Charlotte

<u>Early Years</u>

Evie Lara

Bethany Thomas

Year 1

Eevee Mila

Noah Seth

Year 2

Zachary Katie Lucas Nyla

Years 3 and 4

Daniel Michael Scarlett Jake Jack Emily

All of Year 3 for rounding in Maths

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Nursery

We have enjoyed an explosive start to



our new topic, 'Join the Celebrations'. We have learnt firework songs and dances, made bonfires, and have loved creating our own firework pictures to help us to learn all about Bonfire Night and Diwali.

Early Years



We have been celebrating Diwali this week reading the story of Rama and Sita.

We have dressed up, sang songs, created rangoli patterns and made some coconut barfi to eat.



Year 1

We went to visit Amerton Farm on a school trip. We were able to see some pigs, goats, calves and reindeer! We also got to stroke a rabbit, tortoise and some chicks and have a tractor ride around the farm.



Year 2



We have been using our tens frames to learn about addition in Maths.

We are also learning about poetry and have written acrostic and shape poems.



Years 3 and 4

As part of our new topic on India, we all had the opportunity to take part in an Indian dance workshop this week.

Our dance was based around Diwali and we learnt some great dance moves.

We had a fabulous time and enjoyed performing our dances to one another.



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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

Layla Mai Monty

Early Years

Harry Jack Tommy-Lee Ava

Year 1

James Haydee Olivia Bobby

Year 2

Clara Toby Jayden James

Years 3 and 4

Sam Amelia Luca Ted Joel Jacob



UNICEF

Mrs Williams-Fenton would like to say a big thank you for all the cake donations and to all the people that came to buy the cakes on Friday 10th November for the Morocco Earthquake Appeal. We raised a total of £272.90.







School Council

Thank you to the School Council members for delivering letters to local shops and companies asking for Christmas Raffle donations.

This is one of our members delivering her letter to Domino's Pizza.



Forest School

In Forest School, Years 1, 2 and 4 looked at Remembrance Day and made their own poppies to remember all the people who have fought in wars. We hope you liked them.



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Diary Dates

Wednesday 22nd November Book Fair 3.30pm

Thursday 23rd November Flu Vaccinations (Reception through to Y4)

Stone Lights Switch-On

Friday 24th November PTA Dress-down Day

Book Fair 3.30pm

Stoke City Worship Monday 27th November

Book Fair 3.30pm

Sunday 3rd December Christingle Service at Church 4.00pm

Last Day to Hand in Decorated Jam Jars PTA Raffle Ticket Sales Close Monday 4th December

Thursday 7th December Years 3 and 4 to Church

Year 2 to Stone Library and St Michael's Church PTA Christmas Extravaganza 5.30-7.30pm

Friday 8th December Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 11th December KS2 Christmas Singing at Church 10.30-11.30

Nursery Christmas Celebration 9.00-10.00am Tuesday 12th December

KS1 Nativity 10.15-11.00am Early Years Nativity 2.30pm

Wednesday 13th December Early Years Nativity 9.15am

KS1 Nativity 2.15-3.00pm

Year 4 Advent Window Opening Friday 15th December

Monday 18th December Christmas Day Celebration

Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 19th December KS1 Christmas Party

Wednesday 20th December KS2 Christmas Party

Early Years Christmas Party

Friday 22nd December School Closes for Christmas Holidays

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Monday 8th January School Closed—Inset Day

Tuesday 9th January School Opens

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

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