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

Number 04 23rd October 2026

We have come to the end of a very busy, action packed half term in school. I am incredibly proud of all of the children who have been working very hard and it has been a pleasure to see them enjoying their learning both in the classrooms and school grounds.

This term has also included school visits to Ford Green Hall, Lower Drayton Farm and a virtual reality Stone Age experience in school.

The whole school enjoyed a visit from a touring theatre and classes have welcomed a range of visitors. It has been wonderful to welcome parents into school for Parents Evening, Harvest celebrations and as secret readers.

Take a look at upcoming dates for next half term on our dates section.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd November.

Mrs J Wass

Headteacher

Certificates and Special Awards

Nursery

Mosiah Toby

Early Years

Francis Rory Maeve Reggie

Year 1

Rueben All of Year 1 for fabulous behaviour on our trip

Year 2

William Arthur

Year 3

Ava Annabelle Hudson Tommy-Lee

Year 4

Annabel James

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Nursery

We have been learning about Autumn, and in Forest School we went on a leaf hunt to find leaves of different sizes, shapes and colours. We collected leaves from around school, and used them to make our own pop art autumn leaf collage!



Early Years



We are working really hard in our phonics lessons every day and we are now beginning to build and write words all by ourselves!

Super effort Reception



Year 1



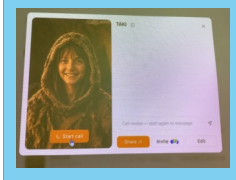
We had a super time at Lower Drayton farm. We got to meet and stroke some animals; harvest vegetables from the patch and even collect some pumpkins! We have brought them back to school and Mary made some delicious soup for us to try.

Year 2



We have enjoyed a trip to Ford Green Hall. We met Samuel Pepys and learnt all about the Great Fire of London. We enjoyed having a tour of the house, learning how to use a quill and playing with 17th Century toys.

Year 3



This week, we had the exciting experience of talking to Taki - a Stone Age boy. Using AI we were able to ask our own questions for him to answer. We also learnt about what his life would have been like. It was amazing!





Year 4



In Computing, we have been learning about networks and how networks work. This week, we went on a hunt around school to find the key parts of our school network. We found lots of evidence around school.

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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	Maeve	Maeva		
Early Years	Lewis	Oonagh	Lucas	Ruby
Year 1	Sienna	Eliza		
Year 2	Beatrice	Jude		
Year 3	Bethany	Abigail	Cas	Ava
Year 4	Chloe	Eevee		



Diary Dates

Monday 26th October—Friday 30th October	Half-Term School Closed
Monday 2nd November	Inset Day—School Closed
Tuesday 3rd November	Back to School
	Poppies on Sale (minimum donation 50p each)
	Photograph Order Deadline 9.00am
Friday 6th November	Black History Month Competition Closes
Thursday 12th November	Y4 to Church
Friday 13th November	Children in Need Day (non uniform wear something spotty)
Thursday 19th November	Christmas Lights Switch On (choir)
Thursday 3rd December	Y4 to Church
	PTA Christmas Fair 5.00-7.00pm
Sunday 6th December	Christingle Service at Church 4.00pm
Monday 7th December	KS2 (Y3&4) Carols in Church 10.00-11.00am
Tuesday 8th December	EY Nativity 9.15-9.45am (tickets required)
	KS1 (Y1&2) Nativity 10.30am (tickets required)
Wednesday 9th December	KS1 (Y1&2) Nativity 2.15pm (tickets required)
Thursday 10th December	Y4 to Stone—Advent Window Opening
	Nursery Christmas Café 2.30pm (maximum 2 adults)
	Please let us know if your child would like to come in for an additional session
Monday 14th December	Christmas Lunch
Tues 15th -Thurs 17th	Christmas Parties
Friday 18th December	Christmas Jumper Day
	Breakup for Christmas Holidays 3.30pm
Monday 4th January 2027	School Closed—Inset Day
Tuesday 5th January	School Opens

Details of all events, tickets etc. will be sent via email or text.
Letters are also available on our website.

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