

We have had a super week in school. It is lovely to see the children well settled in their classes – it truly feels like the year is now well underway.

Today our children have voted for their School Council Representatives. Miss Clark did a super job of co-ordinating this. We are now eagerly awaiting the outcome



which we will announce next week.

Our Year 6 children have this week voted for their Head Boy and Head Girl. This has been the closest competition ever at St Michael's. All those who wanted to put themselves forward for the vote produced and read their own speech. We were so impressed with them all and the effort and enthusiasm they all showed.

Huge congratulations to Isabella and Jenson who have been officially announced as our new Head Boy and Head Girl. We are sure they will be fantastic ambassadors for our school.



Today if your child is in Year 1 to Year 6 they will have come home with a 'Clubs' letter. This needs returning as soon as possible as clubs are offered on a 'first come first served' basis. As all clubs are free of charge, they are very popular and therefore we will initially prioritise offering children one club each and will then fill up any surplus places. All clubs will start week beginning 25th September. If children are not collected on time they will lose their place in the club.



Today our Year 4 class have started their swimming lessons. We have been very fortunate to secure weekly swimming lessons as we have been offered the hire of Meadowside Pool. This will hugely benefit the children and ensure all of Year 4 learn the vital life skill of being able to swim by the end of the year.

TOAST CLUB – Our Toast Club runs from 8:15am each morning. Children enter via the Main Office. The cost of Toast Club is £1.60 per child. You can either pay for your child in cash on the day or via our 'parentmail' app.

If your child is in Year 6, please ensure you have completed the LA online secondary school preference form. This must be completed by 31st October. If you need any help with this, please speak to school staff.

Our value of the month is..... RESPECT



Our value of the month for September is Respect. Thank you to Year 5 who have created our whole school value of the month display. We are learning at school about the importance of treating others with respect even if we sometimes do not agree with the way they behave or the things they say. We have also

been thinking about how we should treat the things that belong to us and to other people respectfully. It is important to show the same respect to other people that we would wish to be shown to us.

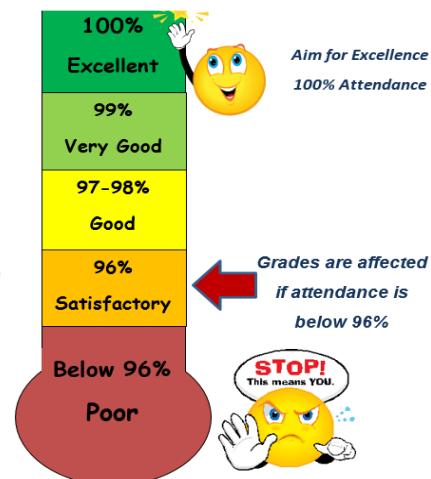
Our attendance target for this school year is 96% and we are delighted that only one class this week did not meet this target. **Being in school on time, every day is crucial** for children's emotional, social and academic ability.

On the Attendance page on our school website you will find NHS guidance about 'when to keep your child off school' and when to send them in.

Congratulations to Year 3 who very nearly had 100% attendance all week!

Foundation 2 - 96.4%	Year 4 - 96.1%
Year 1 - 98.8%	Year 5 - 95.6%
Year 2 - 97.6%	Year 6 - 96.0%
Year 3 - 99.4%	

ATTENDANCE



It has been a week full of learning and new experiences.....

Our children in Toast Club have enjoyed using some new games this week.



Our Foundation 1 class children are settling into F1 life beautifully. We are very much enjoying watching them express their

individual personalities through play and creativity in the classroom as we get to know more about them.

Year 1 have been counting accurately within 10 and using picture clues to create animals.

In Year 2 they have been coding, using Box Island to problem solve and refine their sequencing skills.

Miss Shutt has also been having some lovely dinner dates this week with children who have been wonderful at following our school rules of being kind, being safe and being great learners.

I have loved meeting with our Values Ambassadors and look forward to meeting our newly elected School Councillors very soon.



Year Six have used the app Sketch Nation to create their own games.

Dates for the Autumn Term 2023

Tuesday 19th September – PSHE Session – Year 3 (am) & Year 4 (pm) Universal Day of Peace

Wednesday 20th September – Y4 (am) & Y6 (pm) Hi Impact Workshop (Bees)

Friday 22nd September - Year 5 Science Workshop (Chemistry)

Week beginning 25th September – CLUBS to START

Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th September – BIKEABILITY – F2 & Year 1

Wednesday 27th September – F1 & F2 'Stay & Play' 9am to 10am

Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th & Friday 29th September – BIKEABILITY – Year 3

Friday 29th September – 9:15am - Whole School Mass for St Michael's Feast Day in Church

Week beginning Monday 2nd October – Year 5 BIKEABILITY

Tuesday 3rd October – Mr Sledge PSHE - Year 3 (am) & Year 4 (pm) Black History Month

Wednesday 4th October – Mr Sledge PSHE – Year 5 (am) & Year 6 & Year 2 (pm) – Black History

Wednesday 4th October – Year 3 - Hi Impact Workshop – Green Screen 'Iron Man'

Thursday 5th October – 9:15am - Year 5 to church for class Mass

Tuesday 10th October – (pm) – Police PSHE session - Year 5

Wednesday 11th October – F1, F2 & Base – Hi Impact Workshop – Robotics & Programming

Friday 13th October – Year 6 Class Assembly at 2:50pm

Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th October – Parents Evening

Wednesday 18th October – Year 1 – Hi Impact Workshop – Stick Insects

Thursday 19th October – 9:15am - Year 6 to church for class Mass

Friday 20th October – **INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS**

Friday 20th October – Year 5 Class Assembly at 2:50pm

Friday 20th October – BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

Monday 30th October – CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Wednesday 1st November – 9:15am Whole School – All Saints Day MASS in Church

Thursday 2nd November – FLU VACCINES – F2 to Year 6

Monday 6th November – (pm) – Police PSHE session in Year 5

Thursday 9th November – 9:15am - Year 4 to church for class Mass

Friday 10th November – **NON-UNIFORM** in exchange for £1 donation towards the Christmas Fayre

Friday 10th November – Year 3 Class Assembly at 2:50pm

Friday 17th November – CHILDREN IN NEED

Friday 17th November – **NON-UNIFORM** in exchange for CHOCOLATE & TEDDIES towards the Christmas Fayre

Friday 17th November – Year 4 Class Assembly at 2:50pm

Tuesday 21st November – Mr Sledge PSHE – Year 4 (am) & KS1 (pm) Universal Children's Rights

Thursday 23rd November – 9:15am - Year 3 to church for class Mass

Friday 24th November - **NON-UNIFORM** in exchange for SWEETS & TEDDIES towards the Christmas Fayre

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Friday 1st December – CHRISTMAS FAYRE (DURING SCHOOL DAY)

Tuesday 5th December – Mr Sledge PSHE – Christmas around the World (KS2)

Thursday 7th December – 9:15am Whole School – Advent MASS in Church

Monday 11th December – 1:15pm – Police PSHE session in Year 5

Tuesday 19th December – MOVIE NIGHT

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Party Day

Thursday 21st December – 1:30pm - KS2 Carol Service in Church

Thursday 21st December – CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS

Friday 22nd December – INSET DAY

EYFS and KEY STAGE 1 CHRISTMAS PLAY DATES will be sent out next half term

Enjoy the weekend, Mrs Ralph