



St. Michael's CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dates

Thursday 16th June

All-day Y5 trip to the Science Museum

10 - 11.30am Y3 Cricket Event at Highgate

Friday 17th June

Lauderdale Class Assembly and coffee morning

1.30pm Y6 Super 7 House Sport Event—parents welcome

Sunday 19th June

SMSA Fun run

Monday 20th June

2pm Choir attending Tetherdown School

2:15-3:15pm Y5 Athletics Event at Highgate School

Tuesday 21st June

9-1pm Junior Sports Day

Wednesday 22nd June

9-11:00am Infants Sports Day

Thursday 23rd June

SCHOOL CLOSED - Polling station

Friday 24th June

Marx Class Assembly and coffee morning

A.M. Tag Rugby Tournament at St. Michael's

10 -11.30a.m Y4 Cricket Event at Highgate School

Monday 27th June

All-day Choir—Royal Albert Hall Concert

2:15-3:15pm Y6 Athletics Event at Highgate School

Tuesday 28th June

9am KS2 Recorder concert with Nancy

4.00pm Y5/6 Total Control Football Academy Competition at Whitefields

Wednesday 29th June

All-day Y3/4 Kwik cricket, North Middlesex Club

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe there are only five weeks left until the end of this term and if you take a look at the dates section you will see they are five very busy weeks. There are many fun and exciting trips and events coming up which we hope you will be able to attend. Year 6 have a particularly busy and exciting time preparing for special events such as their concerts, play, the church service and transition to secondary school. Just before half term Year 6 completed their PGL adventure at the Isle of Wight. This is a five day residential trip. Everybody had a really good time and this was in the main due to the children's exemplary behaviour. A special Thank You to our Year 6 pupils for being excellent ambassadors. Thank you to all of the staff who volunteered their time and in particular to Mr Whiting for organising the trip; which included an essential pre- visit to the site during his Easter holiday.

I hope you enjoy reading all about PGL and the other items in this newsletter

Best Wishes,

Geraldine Gallagher

Headteacher

Governors' Message

Following the Governors Forum last month we asked you for your thoughts on the three projects that were proposed. We received over a hundred responses to our survey – thank you – and the most popular proposal was the redevelopment of the House into music and intervention spaces. The Governors will now be finalizing plans for these exciting developments in our next full governing body meeting in July.

Do remember that you can help us to deliver these valuable improvements to the school by making a regular contribution to the Governors' Fund through Scopay.

Dates cont...**Friday 1st July**

9.30-2pm Y5 Football Tournament at Thomas More School

Saturday 2nd July

12-4pm SMSA Summer Fair

Monday 4th July

Class photos

Tuesday 5th July

9am KS1 Recorder concert with Nancy - KS1 Hall

Thursday 7th July

7.30pm Anita Probert Piano Concert

Wednesday 13th July

Evening Y6 Play to parents –time TBC

Thursday 14th July

Evening Y6 Play to parents—time TBC

Monday 18th July

Y6 evening concert—time TBC

Tuesday 19th July

8:45am Nursery AM and 12:45 Nursery PM—Parent sharing morning

Wednesday 20th July

9am End of term service at St Michael's Church

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR

- FINISH 2PM

Local history – Waterlow Park

What links Florence Nightingale and Lauderdale House? Not sure, just ask year five.



We were delighted to host a special talk from Sir Christopher Waterlow, who is a direct decedent from Sir Sidney Waterlow (1822 -1906). Just before he died, Sir Sidney donated his property in Highgate to the poor people of London to enjoy and for this place to be a “garden for the gardeners.” Sir Christopher was delighted to know that his many times Great Grandfather will still be remembered not only because we use and love our local park, but our Reception Class is also named after him



With the warmer weather and increased incidence of hay fever—can all parents please ensure that we have sufficient medication to last until the end of term.

Also a little reminder that all medication needs to be collected at the end of term.



800 Missing Books

In promoting a love of reading at St Michael's, we work hard to make sure book corners and the library are full of a range of books for all to enjoy. We actively encourage children to borrow books from the library and often replenish our stock to make sure popular titles and new books are available. Unfortunately, there are many children who have borrowed books over the years and haven't returned them. **As a result, 800 books are currently missing.** This is a COLOSSAL amount and we cannot justify the purchase of new books when so many are missing. We ask that you search your book shelves and homes to see if you can find any of our library books. If you cannot find a borrowed book, we ask that you make a donation to the library to cover the cost of buying a replacement.



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FRANCE

French Theme Menu - Thursday 16th June 2016

Provençal Chicken
(Chicken in a Tomato Sauce)
French Bread Pizza

Green Beans
Glazed Carrots
Lyonnais potatoes
(Roast potato with herbs & onion)

French Apple Flan
Served with Custard

PGL 2016

On the 23rd June 2016 Year 6 enjoyed another fantastic week at PGL. This year St. Michael's ventured upon a new venue after 12 very successful years at Boreatton Park in Shropshire. Indeed, the children had the added adventure of travelling by ferry to and from the exciting PGL Little Canada at Ryde on the Isle of Wight.

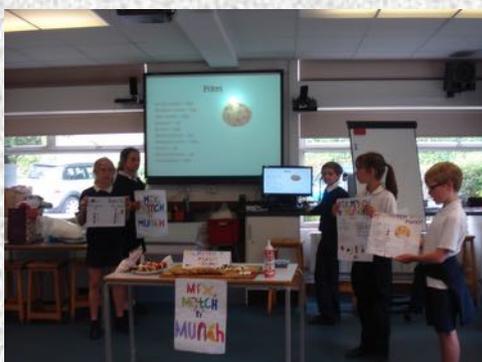
Everyone had a brilliant time tackling a range of activities in a beautiful location adjacent to Wootton Creek on the NE coast of the island. Traditional favourites like canoeing, trapeze, climbing and the gut-wrenching giant swing were enjoyed alongside new site-specific activities like Dragon Boating and All Aboard. The children also had amazing things to keep them entertained in the evenings such as ambush and capture the flag type games, as well as a lovely time spent around a campfire on the beach learning infamous PGL songs such as 'The Coca-Cola' song and the 'Banana Song'.

What an amazing week it was for all involved. The children behaved impeccably and had the greatest of times. The teachers also enjoyed every moment and cannot wait to return to this lovely camp in 2017. Thanks to all of Year 6 for epitomising what PGL is all about by approaching each day with a sense of fun and a great determination to overcoming their fears. The teamwork and togetherness displayed by both classes was superb. Thanks also to all the teachers that helped make this a special trip for everyone involved.



Junior Entrepreneur Program - Dragon's Den

On Tuesday 17th May, the Year Sixes pitched their entrepreneurial ideas to three local business men (the 'Dragons'). They all worked extremely hard to invent, research and design a product to sell. Throughout their planning sessions, they learnt to negotiate and, in preparation for the pitches, worked on money management and presentation skills. On the day, all groups were an absolute credit to the School and conducted themselves very maturely and professionally. On behalf of our Year Sixes, we'd like to say a huge thank you to Frank Salmon, Adam Garfunkel and Roan O'Neill for giving up their time to be on the Dragon's Den Panel.



Total Control 5 -a-side 2016

St. Michael's continue to attend the monthly 5-a-side football matches held at Whitefield School. These matches against schools from Haringey and Barnet boroughs, provide an excellent experience of competitive football for anyone who is enthusiastic about our beautiful game. Our Year 5 boys particularly shone at the 10th May competition; photos of which can be seen attached. Well done to all our children who represent our school with such pride and skill at these events.



Year 3 Athletics at Highgate School

All the Year 3 children enjoyed a fantastic morning of athletics at Highgate School on the 26th May. A competitive but friendly event, children from Highgate School, Highgate Primary and St. Michael's competed in a range of track and field sessions. The event was expertly organised by the sports staff at Highgate, with the children having a brilliant experience and practice for the forthcoming Junior Sports Day. A range of future talents were on display and all the children behaved impeccably well, demonstrating impressive skill and positive sporting values. Thank you to Highgate School for organising such a fun and well organised event.



Heathside School Events

St. Michael's have welcomed children and staff from Heathside School from Year 3-6 once again for a series of afternoons of friendly if competitive sport including rounders, netball, tag rugby and football. Held over May and June 2016, these are becoming an exciting part of our school's sporting calendar. All of the sessions proved very popular with the winners of each day being the children for providing us with some sparkling skill and understanding of the how they could be the best they could be. Well done to children from both schools and to all the staff from Heathside and St. Michael's for putting on such brilliant sporting experiences for all. See photos of the Year 5 and 6 tag rugby matches included here.



Cricket News

Cricket is certainly popular at this time of the year and St. Michael's has been involved in some exciting events.

Firstly, Years 4 and 5 have played friendly matches against Highgate School. Both events were great fun with boys and girls playing with much enthusiasm. Both schools displayed many impressive shots, catches and expert pieces of fielding. Successful Year 5 cricketers can be seen together in the attached photo at the end of their event on the 9th May.



Haringey Kwik Cricket Tournaments 2016

Girls Tournament was held on the 8th June with 15 schools competing.

Boys Tournament was held on the 9th June with 17 schools competing.

St. Michael's has traditionally done very well at the increasingly competitive Haringey Kwik Cricket tournaments held at North London and North Middlesex Cricket Clubs; this year being no exception. Firstly, well done to our brilliant girls' team who competed with great focus and determination to finish with an amazing 2nd place behind Rhodes Avenue. Overcoming Devonshire Hill, Belmont, Bounds Green and Muswell Hill in an exciting semi-final, the girls lost by only 12 runs in the final, playing outstanding cricket along the way. Well done to Molly, Saskia N, Sofia, Sophie, Saskia D, Annalise, Katie, Lily, Anna and Artemis for representing us magnificently.





Haringey Kwik Cricket Tournaments 2016 (cont...)

The boys were also outstanding throughout their event, displaying some high levels of batting, bowling and fielding. They defeated South Haringay, Campsbourne, St. Paul's and Devonshire Hill before losing out to eventual winners Tetherdown in the semi-finals. We were very proud of our boys who competed fairly and with much discipline throughout. Well done to Noah F, Thomas, Gabriel, Noah R, Thijs, Charlie, Reuben, Daniel, Atticus and George.



Date	Event	Competitors
Monday June 13 th 2016 - 12.00-3.00pm	Girls 7 a-side Netball Festival	Year 5/6
Tuesday 14 th June 2016 - 4.00-5.00pm	Total Control Football Boys 7 a side	Year 5/6
Wednesday 15 th June 2016 - 9.00 – 3.00p.m	Haringey Community Football Tournament	Year 5/6
Thursday 16 th June 2016 - 10-11.30a.m.	Year 3 Kwik Cricket Event at Highgate School	Year 3
Friday 17 th June 2016 - pm	Year 6 Super 7 House Tournament	Year 6
Monday 20 th June 2016 - 2.15-3.15p.m	Year 5 Athletics Event	Year 5
Tuesday 21 st June 2016 - a.m	Super 7 Junior Sports Day	Years 3-6
Wednesday 22 nd June 2016 - a.m	Super 7 Infant Sports Day	Year 2
Friday 24 th June 2016 - a.m.	Tag Rugby Community Cup	TBC
Friday 24 th June 2016: 10-11.30a.m.	Year 4 Kwik Cricket Event	Year 4
Monday 27 th June 2016 - 2.15—3.15 p.m.	Year 6 Athletics Event at Highgate School	Year 6
Tuesday 28 th June 2016 - 4.00-5.00pm	Total Control Football Girls - 7 a side	Year 5/6
Wednesday 29 th June- 2 p.m.	Year 6 Rounders/Cricket at Heathside School	Year 6
Friday July 1 st 2016 - All Day 9.30am start	Year 5/6 a-side Football at St Thomas More School	Year 5