



ST MICHAEL'S  
C of E PRIMARY  
HIGHGATE

# Weekly Roundup Newsletter

11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

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## Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weekend was a glowing success, raising money that will go towards the enrichment of all the children. There were so many elements for the SMSA to consider when organising an event like this, and your enjoyment and safety was paramount. Thank you to all the marshals for keeping us safe and in particular to parents Tonia Arapovic for donating a state-of-the-art medical kit and Dr Shiva Dindyal for offering support and being on standby all evening. Plus, the teams that ran the BBQ and Bar, you raised over £5,000 and that does not include ticket sales. I know you will share our thanks to Anja Barnes and her team for all their hard work.

The next event is a Cheese and Wine evening on 24<sup>th</sup> November. Please support us again by offering help for the Christmas Fair and Cheese and Wine by emailing [admin@stmichaelsn6.com](mailto:admin@stmichaelsn6.com) or through your class reps.

The Black History month projects are wonderful and we look forward to showcasing these around the school. Please look out for them when you come to parents evening next week, keep them coming in.

**Fran Sorapure**



## Stars of the Week

Going Above And Beyond



**Year 2**

Beatrice &  
Beatrix

**Year 4**

Aiden &  
Henry

**Year 6**

Maizie &  
Hal

**Year 1**

Ivan &  
Didi

**Year 3**

Haleigh &  
Bertie

**Year 5**

Iris &  
Flo

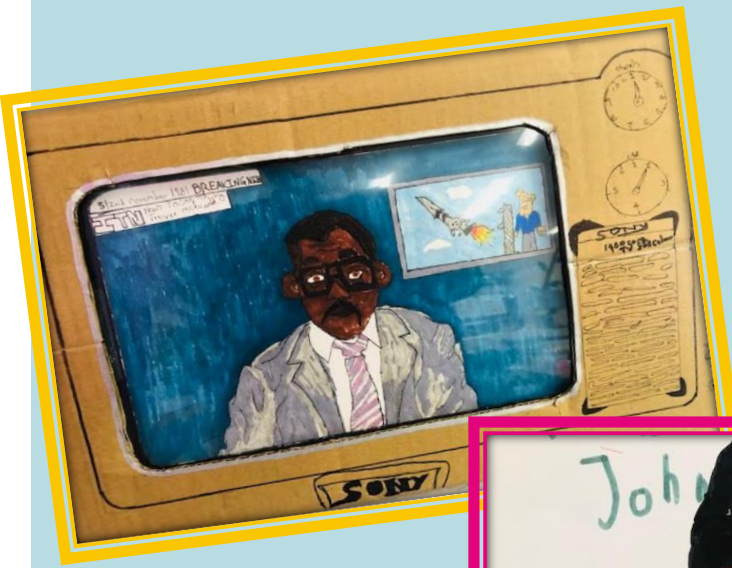
# *St Michaels Fireworks and Bonfire Night*

***Fireworks event on the 5<sup>th</sup> November organised by the SMSA***



# Black History Month Projects

Pupil creative projects for the Black History Month half term homework



## ***Message from the Governors***

The Governors are really pleased to once again fund more Chromebooks, thanks to the generous donations of parents to the Learning Fund (the new name for the Governors Fund). This time, 40 Chromebooks for Year 2 are being funded for a total cost of £9,000. This has been part of a successful IT upgrade that started pre-Covid, but was very much supercharged during that time. The school will now have 240 chrome books for the children to use in class and we have upgraded the IT infrastructure to cope with the extra capacity. This investment has enabled the school to integrate home and school learning better and overall increase the children's digital literacy. Thank you very much to all the families who have given to The Learning Fund now and in the past few years. Your donations are very much appreciated.



# Children in Need



Friday 18th November 2022  
Children in Need and World  
Children's Day



This year we are combining two events that fall on the same day: Children in Need and UNICEF's World Children's Day.

For a donation, children can come to school in their own clothes or come to school dressed as an article from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

At 12pm we will be tuning in to BBC Mood Boosters Live, building on last year's campaign to support Mental Health.



<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stmichaels-childreninneed>

1 DEFINITION OF A CHILD	2 NO DISCRIMINATION	3 BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD	4 MAKING RIGHTS REAL	5 FAMILY GUIDANCE AS CHILDREN DEVELOP	6 LIFE, SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT	7 NAME AND NATIONALITY
8 IDENTITY	9 KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER	10 CONTACT WITH PARENTS ACROSS COUNTRIES	11 PROTECTION FROM KIDNAPPING	12 RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS	13 SHARING THOUGHTS FREELY	14 FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION
15 SETTING UP OR JOINING GROUPS	16 PROTECTION OF PRIVACY	17 ACCESS TO INFORMATION	18 RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS	19 PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE	20 CHILDREN WITHOUT FAMILIES	21 CHILDREN WHO ARE ADOPTED
22 REFUGEE CHILDREN	23 CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES	24 HEALTH, WATER, FOOD, ENVIRONMENT	25 REVIEW OF A CHILD'S PLACEMENT	26 SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC HELP	27 FOOD, CLOTHING, A SAFE HOME	28 ACCESS TO EDUCATION
29 AIMS OF EDUCATION	30 MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION	31 REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS	32 PROTECTION FROM HARMFUL WORK	33 PROTECTION FROM HARMFUL DRUGS	34 PROTECTION FROM SEXUAL ABUSE	35 PREVENTION OF SALE AND TRAFFICKING
36 PROTECTION FROM EXPLOITATION	37 CHILDREN IN DETENTION	38 PROTECTION IN WAR	39 RECOVERY AND REINTEGRATION	40 CHILDREN WHO BREAK THE LAW	41 BEST LAW FOR CHILDREN APPLIES	42 EVERYONE MUST KNOW CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

1 A child is any person under the age of 18.	2 All children have the right to their own identity – an official record of who they are, which includes their name, nationality and family relations. No one should take this away from them, but if this happens, governments must help children to quickly get their identity back.	3 All children have the right to be separated from their parents or families, unless they are being properly looked after – for example, if a parent hurts or does not take care of a child. Children whose parents don't look after them should stay in contact with both parents unless the right harm the child.	4 When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions affect children. All adults should do what is best for children. Governments should make sure children are protected and looked after by their parents, or if that is not possible, by other people who are responsible for looking after children.	5 Governments should let families and communities guide their children, but they should also make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	6 Every child has the right to live with their family, unless it is in their best interests to be taken care of by someone else. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	7 Children must be given the right to give their views on things that affect them, such as their school, their family, their community, and so on. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.
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15 Children can join or set up groups or organisations, and they can meet with others, as long as this does not harm other people.	16 Every child has the right to privacy. The law must protect children's privacy, family, home, communications and information from any access.	17 Children have the right to get information from the internet, radio, television, newspapers, books and other sources. Adults should make sure that children can get this information without being harmed. Governments should encourage the media to share information from children in a way that does not harm them.	18 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	19 Parents are the main people responsible for bringing up a child. When the child does not have any parents, another adult will have the responsibility and should make sure that the child is looked after well. When a child has both parents, both of them should be responsible for bringing up the child.	20 Every child who has been placed somewhere away from home for their care, protection or health – should have their situation checked regularly to see if everything is going well and if it is not, the best place for the child to be.	21 Children have the right to live with their family, unless it is in their best interests to be taken care of by someone else. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.
22 Children who move from their own country to another country are refugees. Because it is not safe for them to stay there, they should get help and protection and have the same rights as children born in their country.	23 Every child with a disability should have the same rights as children in the community.	24 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	25 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	26 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	27 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	28 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.
29 Children's education should help them fully develop their personality, talents and abilities. It should teach them to understand their own rights, and to respect other people's rights, culture and differences. It should help them to live peacefully and protect the environment.	30 Children have the right to their own language. If they are not of the majority language in the country where they live, they should have the right to learn their own language.	31 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	32 Every child has the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	33 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	34 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.	35 Children have the right to be heard. Governments should make sure that every child in their country can enjoy all the rights in the Convention.
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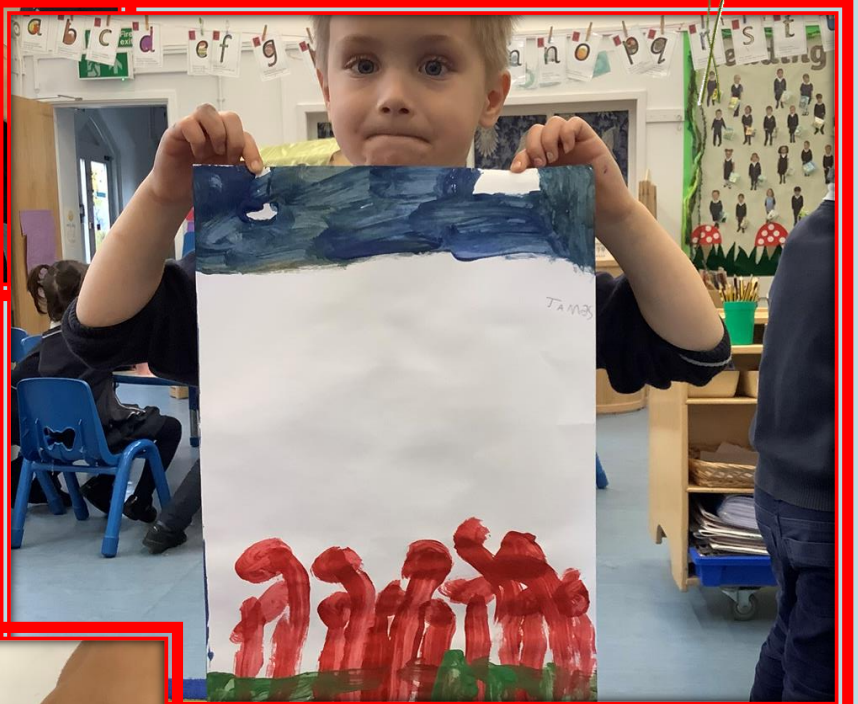


THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD – THE CHILDREN'S VERSION  
The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is an important agreement by countries who have promised to protect children's rights.  
The Convention on the Rights of the Child says that every child has the right to be heard, and that every child should be treated fairly. It also says that every child should have the same rights as children born in their country.



# Reception Mozart

Mozart class created some beautiful poppies for Remembrance Day.





# Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Tournament



On Thursday 10th November, the Year 5's and 6's went to New River Stadium for the Haringey Tag Rugby Tournament. It was a mixed match. There were 21 teams and it was from 09:30-02:30. The children were chosen to play because they stood out in tag rugby lessons in P.E.

It was a great showcase of St Michael's school values :  
*Koinonia, Endurance, Friendship, Forgiveness and creation.*

## Interview

**Mina: What was your favourite part of the day?**

Alex: Working as a team to be a success.

**Mina: How was it?**

Alex: It was really fun.

**Mina: Who were your teammates?**

Alex: Mabli, Amyas, Danny, Srna, Lorenzo, Darcy, Freddie, Ellie, Jacob, Holly and me

**Mina: Finally, did you enjoy it?**

Alex: Yes it was amazing!

The boys and girls did really well. They won 2 and lost 2 but sadly they didn't go to the semi-finals.



# Reading Raffle Winners



Earlier today, the four winners of our inaugural 'Reading Raffle' (Imogen, Florence, Lizzy, and Roi) were taken to Muswell Hill Children's Bookshop to select their prizes - a brand-new book each, of course. Speaking after the visit, Imogen in Year 6 said she was "pleased because I've never won a raffle before, but I was very happy to win this one!" and Roi in Year 3 said he felt "proud" to have won. Who will our next set of winners be?



# ST MICHAEL'S IS A NUT-FREE SCHOOL



We have to look after all our children

which means no nuts



please bring in  
healthy, nut-free snacks

to help keep your children &  
their friends safe



# A Huge Thank You for Food Bank Donations

Following our fabulous Harvest Festival collection, we received a thank you from Lindsay Wylie, the founder of the Alexandra Wylie Tower Foundation.

"A huge thank you to all the incredibly generous St Michael's parents, children and staff for your wonderful Harvest Festival donations. The food went to make up half-term food parcels for struggling families. We had so many messages of gratitude:

"Thank you for all the love you have sent us. We would not have managed without your help."

"I had nothing in the house, and was at my wits end about what to do."

"Your food parcels show us that someone cares. The children eat so much when they are at home"



Due to the cost of living crisis, the Alexandra Wylie Tower Foundation has decided to focus mainly on those families and individuals who will be desperately struggling through the tough winter ahead.

With this in mind, we really need your continued support so that we can make sure that we have enough provisions to be able to supply emergency food parcels to those in crisis as well as families with children at home in the school holidays (when they do not receive free school meals).

At the moment, we are providing targeted support to over sixty families and vulnerable adults. In addition, we are helping two charities get ready meals and fresh fruit and vegetables to over 200 local homeless people.

Please help by

- Donating food: We are especially short of milk and tuna at the moment.
- Donating old mobile phones: It is impossible to function in society today without a phone.
- Contribute to our Computer Drive by donating on [www.awtf.org](http://www.awtf.org): We are supplying children and students with computers. Having been donated 65 keyboards and monitors and for just £70 we can buy an Dell refurbished PC and supply a student with a perfect working computer.

- Volunteering: We really need

**DRIVERS** to collect and deliver food on weekdays, evenings and weekends. (We have a van for those who do not have access to a car).

**TUTORS** to help students in primary and secondary school, whose first language is not English, as well as adults who are struggling to use a computer.

# House Points & Attendance

## Class House Point Winners

KS1 Sherman 242

LKS2 Jones 153

UPKS2 Warwick 210

## House Winner

St George  
872



Whole school Attendance **96.2%**



Class with the best attendance  
**Ma class at 97.7%**

# Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Wear <b>Odd Socks</b> to Support Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening and Library Open to View
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations for Absent Children and Y6 Y5 Swimming
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening and Library Open to View
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need – Non-Uniform Day or Dress Up for Unicef
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	SMSA Cheese and Wine Evening



School vision

**We believe our children's future is created every day. Every moment counts.**

Brought to life through our mission

**To nurture and inspire our children to develop a love of learning in a supportive Christian community and become the best they can be.**

Underpinned by our values

**Endurance | Forgiveness | Koinonia | Creation | Friendship**