



WEEKLY ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER

20th January 2023



Message
from our
Head of School

Fran Sorapure

Dear Parents and Carers,

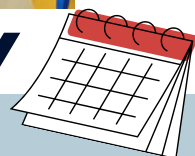
"How are you feeling today?" is a question we ask every child through an emotional check-in each morning during soft start, and I'm delighted with all the colourful, imaginative interactive displays around the school. This develops emotional literacy and also helps teachers know what may be going on for your child before they start the day. Having seen the one in Year Six, it could be that some adult workplaces could consider too.

Have a lovely weekend.

Fran Sorapure



DATES FOR THE DIARY



Mon 23rd

Clive Lewis MP to Visit EYFS

Tue 24th

Wed 25th

Thu 26th

Fri 27th

Holocaust Memorial Day

House Points & Attendance

Class House Point Winners

KS1

Sherman
259

LKS2

Ma
159

UKS2

Warwick
220

House Winner

St Goerge
678



Class with the best attendance

Nursery Blake

with 100%



S T A R S O F
T H E W E E K

Year 1

Mirabel &
Emil

Year 2

Etta &
Daphne

Year 3

Oscar &
Paddy

Year 4

Tate &
Olivia

Year 5

Sesen &
Phoenix

Year 6

Sean &
Kiana



Year 5 Library Visit

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Year 5 children enjoyed an impromptu lunchtime library visit with Mrs Machin.



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People Who Help Us!



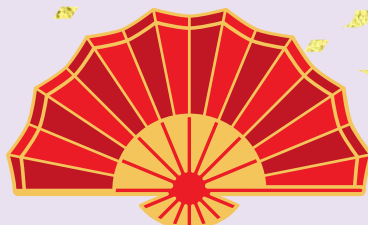
This term in EYFS, we are learning about People Who Helps Us. On Thursday, we had a visit from a black cab driver!! The children had turns sitting in the back, driving and even bibbing the horn. We compared pictures of taxis from a long time ago and today, discussing how they look similar and different. We learned that taxi drivers train for many years to learn all of the roads and landmarks in London and the quickest routes to get to their destinations. For our topic of People Who Help Us we had a visit from a taxi driver. The children in Mozart reception class had fun sitting in the back, driving the taxi and bibbing the horn.

Thank you Sean for bringing your taxi to school!

Lunar New Year



Elizabeth's mum, Sabrina, came in to the reception classes today to talk to the children about Lunar New Year. She told us what happens before & during the celebrations. She also told us about the Chinese zodiac and the traditions that take place. She kindly brought in an art activity for each of the children to complete at school. Thank you, Sabrina!



WELCOME



My name is Miss O'Hara and I am delighted to be working in Year 6 and Reception.

I spent seven years at Channing Junior School teaching across Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 and I am looking forward to bringing my experience and my love for teaching to St Michael's School. In my spare time, you can often find me walking on Hampstead Heath or spending time with my grandparents listening to Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton! -

Monica O'Hara
HLTA

What a fabulous term it has been so far as Assistant Head! Some highlights include listening to the children play their musical instruments so beautifully, getting to know many more children and parents across the school and watching our EYFS staff act out the story of the Gruffalo to the children, who thought it was hilarious! -

Alexandra Cooper
Acting Assistant Headteacher
Early Year Phase Leader



I've worked at St. Michael's for about seven years now, largely in upper Key Stage 2, and many of you will know me your children's Geography teacher, or part of the team who took them to Flatford. I am still teaching Geography in Key Stage 2, but have also taken on an increased range of responsibilities to support Mrs Sorapure as one of her two Assistant Heads. My next priorities in my role are to make sure I start getting to know some more of the children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 whom I haven't previously worked with (although Nursery seem to know me quite well at this point!), and to work with St James to appoint some Year 6s to assist with restorative conversations in the playground. -

John Coffield
Acting Assistant Headteacher



Meet the Team

This week: **The Office**



Taite Edwards
Receptionist



Leah Garrad
*Finance/Admin
Assistant*



Siobhan Mcloughlin
Admissions Officer



Nicola Purvis
School Business Manager



Term Dates 2023-24

Autumn Term 2023

	Starts	Ends	Term Days
Autumn 1	Monday 4 September 2023	Friday 20 October 2023	35
Holiday	Monday 23 October 2023	Friday 27 October 2023	
Autumn 2	Monday 30 October 2023	Thursday 21 December 2023	39
Holiday	Friday 22 December 2023	Friday 5 January 2024	

Spring Term 2024

	Starts	Ends	Term Days
Spring 1	Monday 8 January 2024	Friday 9 February 2024	25
Holiday	Monday 12 February 2024	Friday 16 February 2024	
Spring 2	Monday 19 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024	29
Holiday	Friday 29 March 2024	Friday 12 April 2024	

Summer Term 2024

	Starts	Ends	Term Days
Summer 1	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024	29
Holiday	Monday 27 May 2024	Friday 31 May 2024	
Summer 2	Monday 3 June 2024	Wednesday 24 July 2024	38
Holiday	Thursday 25 July 2024	TBC	

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	Monday 25 December 2023
Boxing Day	Tuesday 26 December 2023
New Year's Day	Monday 1 January 2024
Good Friday (Bank Holiday)	Friday 29 March 2024
Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)	Monday 1 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 27 May 2024
August Bank Holiday	Monday 26 August 2024

Inset days: TBA. 5 days are set by the school for training; the school is closed on these days.

Holidays in term time: We do not authorise holidays in term time under any circumstances. Parents and Carers, please ensure that you do not book holidays or flights for before term ends or for after term has begun. Every day in school matters. We see the number of requests for time out of school for e personal illness rise considerably towards the end of each term.

All requests for leave during term time are monitored by the Headteacher who may wish to meet with you to discuss your request further.

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



FEBRUARY HALF TERM CAMP

FEBRUARY 13TH - 17TH AT HAVERSTOCK SCHOOL FROM 9.30AM - 1.30PM EACH DAY

Bookings can be made at <https://tekne-gym.class4kids.co.uk/camps>, please ensure you book your child into the correct age group, based on the school year your child attends. Only gymnasts who attend Squad classes either at Tekne or equivalent at their school/club should book into the Squad Pod.

Our coaches will sort gymnasts into groups at the camp as we previously did before the pandemic.

Please contact me on **07972 591077** or by email at susi@teknegymnastics.com should you have any queries on this.

Kindly provide drinks and light snacks as we will have 2 longer breaks during the sessions for snacks only. All snacks must be **NUT FREE**.

We are working to meticulously plan this camp to be as safe and secure as possible for all gymnasts, parents/carers and coaches.

Please note that if you choose to use the Stripe payment option on the booking system, there is an additional platform fee. Bank details for a bank transfer with no additional charges are accessible in the additional payment options section.

For insurance purposes, we are unable to take children under the age of 3 years old. Please also note that all children who attend our camps must be fully toilet trained.

Regards,

Susanne Burnham

Club Secretary

www.teknegymnastics.com



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Childcare Vouchers Accepted



Multi Activity Programme

£40 per day | £200 a week



Sports and Nerf Sessions

OFSTED Registered Provider



Arts and crafts workshops

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMP

EASTER HOLIDAY CAMP

HOURS: 9.30 - 15.30 EXTENDED HOURS OPTION AVAILABLE

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Spanish:
www.lingotot.com/classes/8243

**Book
Now!**

Lingotot Crouch End's
Feb Half Term Camp is
Back!



9am (drop off from 8.45) to 3.30pm
(pick up up to 4pm) at St Michael's
CoE Primary N6, from 13th to 17th
Feb 2023



All snacks and craft activities
included!



Games, drama, songs,
crafts, play and more!



Book for just one day or
come along for all five!



Five Days of Fun!

Our five day Spanish & French
camps will immerse your child in
a second language through fun
and interactive methods!



Bookings Are Now Open!



The Details...

- 9am-3.30pm, Monday 13th to Friday 17th Feb at St Michael's. N6
- Spanish & French (no prior knowledge needed)
- All snacks included, packed lunch required
- All materials included
- Games, drama, songs, crafts, outdoor learning and play and more
- £40 per day