



ST MICHAEL'S
C of E PRIMARY
HIGHGATE

WEEKLY ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER

5th May 2023



Message
from our
Head of School

Fran Sorapure

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who made Warwick Class assembly such a joyful experience this morning. The children were confident, intelligent, articulate and a wonder to watch. They demonstrate our school values of koinonia and friendship with ease through their excellent knowledge of their curriculum ending with a powerful performance of "Living on a Prayer" by Bon Jovi in style!

Also, it was lovely to see so many children and staff joining in with the fun dressing up for the Coronation of King Charles III today. Our History Lead, Mr Yeoman certainly stood out in our teacher's morning meeting before school. (see picture below).

Have another lovely bank holiday weekend.

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



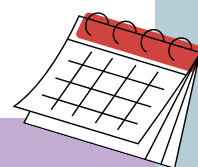


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DATES FOR THE DIARY



Mon 8th

Bank Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tue 9th

Year 6 SATs
Year 3-4 Haringey Quad Athletics

Wed 10th

Year 6 SATs
NO YEAR 4 SWIMMING - CANCELLED

Thu 11th

Year 6 SATs

Fri 12th

Year 6 SATs

Mon 15th

Tue 16th

Wed 17th

Thu 18th

Y5-6 Athletics Tournament

Fri 19th

Parent Talk
Parton Family Assembly

Let's get digital

Since 2020, St Michaels has been fast-tracking the digital transformation of its education. Information Technology (IT) is an important part of learning today, giving children more ways to engage with subjects and teaching essential life skills. To enable this learning, we have prioritized giving every child access to a digital device. At the same time, we have updated our infrastructure in the school and invested in extensive staff training, led by our Computer Lead, Ms Kelly. This has all been made possible thanks to the generous donations by parents to the St Michael's Learning Fund (previously known as the Governors Fund).

What we've invested in:
Chromebooks and iPads x 255
Google Suite for Education
WiFi upgrade across all school buildings
Interactive TVs & PCs in all classrooms

Money invested overall:
£ 69,784

Thank you to the past and present parents for all their donations



The positive impact

The embedding of IT within the curriculum has been reflected in our continued high attainment which is **significantly above the National average**. A visit in March 23 by our School Improvement Partner also reported "The use of a significant amount of IT and a strong computing offer is **enriching the pupil's learning experiences.**"

Good to know: Online safety is a key part of our **safeguarding approach**. We work with parents to monitor time pupils spend online, keep to update with potentially detrimental games being released and run educational events for parents. If you want any further information on this, please see: <https://parentzone.org.uk/> <https://www.internetmatters.org/>

Want to support our next digital step?

We are always looking at what are the new digital skills our children need to learn, with virtual headsets being next on our list. If you are able to support our ongoing digital learning, please donate to the Learning Fund at Scopay.com.

Celebrating the King's Coronation



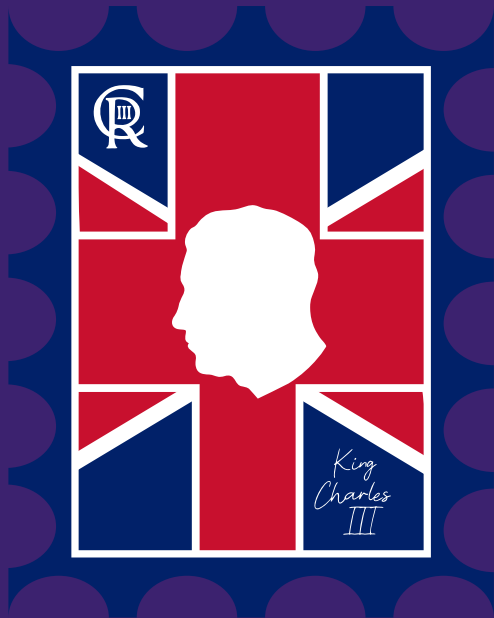
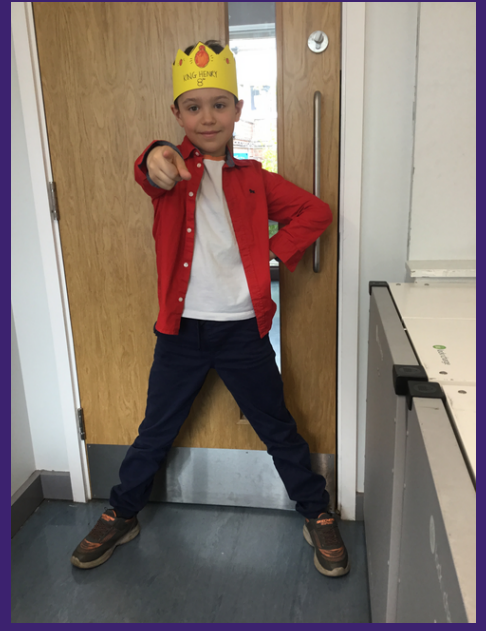
Mr Yeomans in his wonderful king costume



Mr Braune and Bushell Class in their costumes



Smyth Class looking great!





Special thanks to our Chef Mickey for creating a lovely coronation themed lunch today. The children enjoyed their coronation quiche and cupcakes. Delicious!



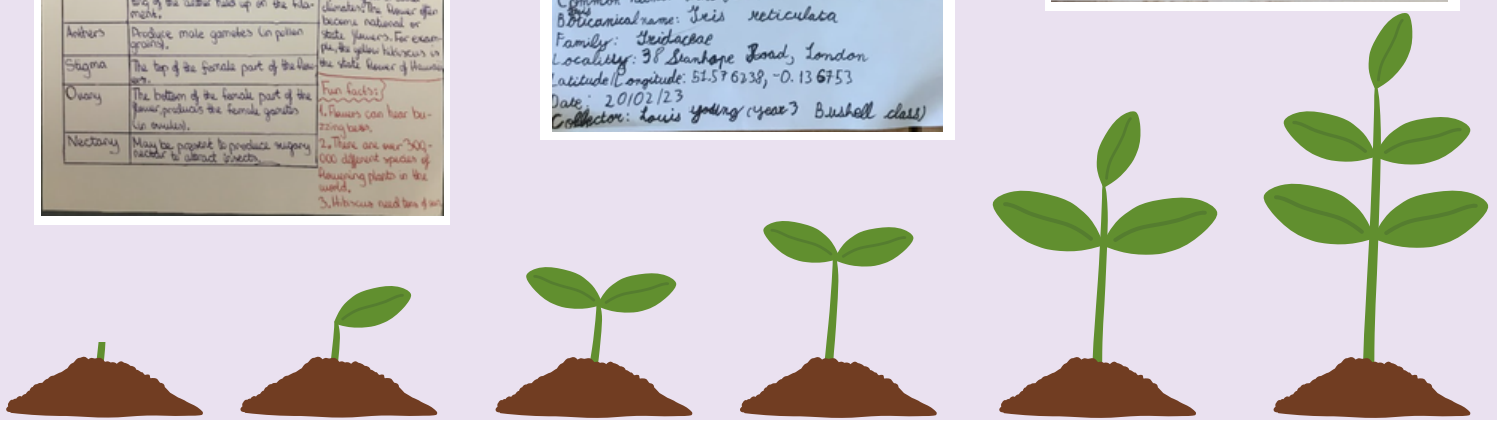
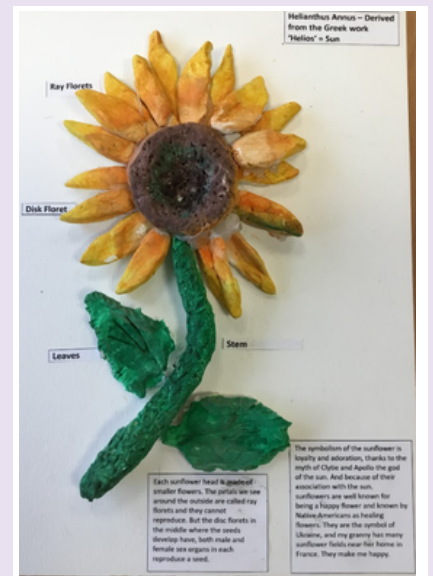
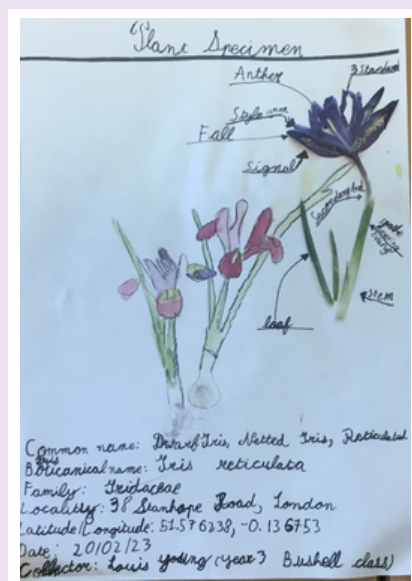
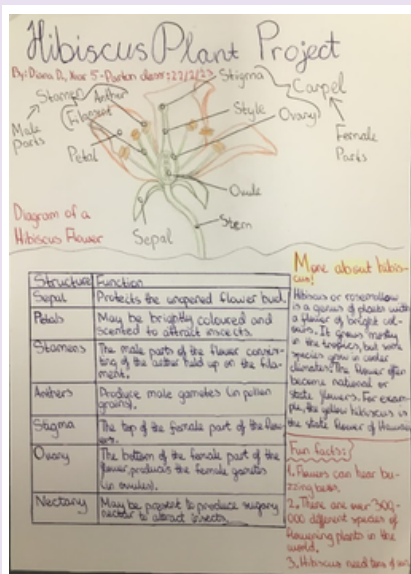
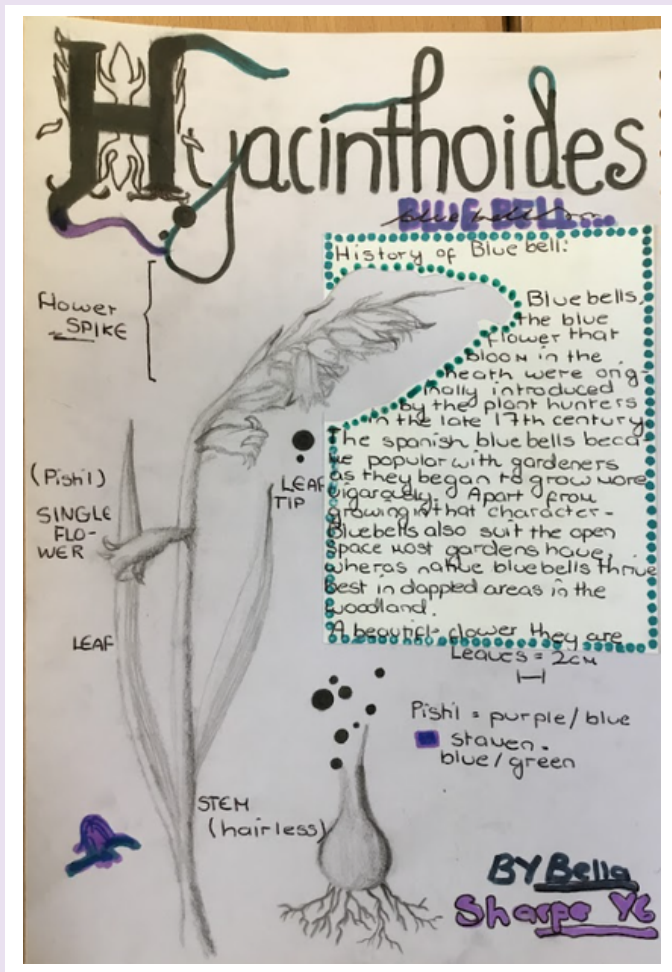
A *Royal* Stay and Read



Congratulations to the winner of the KS2 SCIENCE COMPETITION

Bella (Year 6 Glennie) was voted as the winner by a panel of judges and by her peers (KS2 Science Ambassadors) for her excellent specimen of hyacinthoides (bluebells).

Well done to everyone who submitted an entry and in particular the runners up, whose work is shown below.





Five students from year 6 attended the Haringey Gymnastics Tournament at Hornsey School for Girls last week.

They competed against nine other schools in three competitions: vault, floor exercises and body management. Each person only had two attempts at each competition so they had to make it count!



They came in 10th place out of 12 teams - and showed true St Michael's spirit throughout. Well done.

Year 6 Science Skills

One of the science skills we develop in Year 6 is how to plan our own science experiments. Year 6 have designed a number of different experiments about how plants grow and planted seeds this week as a start.

Some lucky plants are going to listen to Beethoven to see if this helps them grow better; other plants will be fed different liquids including cooking oil and vinegar to see how this affects them. We will report back on our findings by the end of term!



GLOBAL COMPETITION WINNERS

Last term, Year 4 took part in the DSWF Global Canvas competition as part of their creative arts curriculum. This year was the foundation's biggest competition yet, with 4338 children participating from 57 countries.

Yesterday afternoon we received an exciting email, letting us know that Year 4 Jones and Ma have been chosen as one of their winners!

This is such a special achievement for our pupils who spent six weeks creating something that not only looks incredible, but is also inspired by an important environmental message. We have been contacted by their sponsor - Michael O'Mara Books - who will be sending us a prize.



Well done Year 4!

You can see all this year's winners (including ours) published on the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation website:

<https://davidsshepherd.org/news/global-canvas-2023-winners/>

Meet the Team

This week: Year 4 Jones



Eleanor Orson
Class Teacher



Serone Bailey-Stubbs
Teaching Assistant



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Summer Term Clubs

PLACES STILL AVAILABLE

Book now on [Scopay](#) to avoid disappointment!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MORNING				
Y3&4 Gymnastics £94	Y5&6 Gymnastics £117 Y3&4 Tennis £100	Rec Gymnastics £117 Y5&6 Tennis £100	Y1&2 Gymnastics £117	Y3-6 Choir £30 Y1&2 Tennis £100
AFTERNOON				
Y5&6 Film £64 Y3-6 Tag Rugby £68	Y5&6 Netball £60	Y3-6 Drama £98	Y3-6 Street Dance £68	Y1&2 Choir £38 Y3&4/Y5&6 Sewing £99

The cost shown here is for the number of sessions from the week beginning the 8th May until the end of term. Scopay will show the price for the whole term but please only pay the amount shown above.



Parent Talk



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How to Help Children Overcome Fear and Anger



Saskia Joss
BACP Registered
Children's Therapist

Parent Talk

After the success of our last two Parent Talks, Saskia will join us again to provide us with some more insightful knowledge. The talk will detail how you can help children to overcome fear and anger using simple techniques that are really effective. Saskia will talk about the theory behind fear and anger, helping us to understand the root cause and how we can support our children.

About Saskia

Saskia Joss is a therapist who uses an integrative therapies approach including talk, arts and play therapy to support young people through a range of emotional and psychological challenges. You can visit her website here: <https://www.saskiajosstherapy.co.uk/>



Reserve your place:
admin@stmichaelsn6.com

Date: Friday 19th May @ 9am

Location: KS2 Hall



EnergyKidz

Breakfast, After School & Holiday Clubs

**Join Energy Kidz Wraparound Care Clubs
available every day throughout the new year!**

This year, our clubs will be immersed with a whole host of new activities for children where they can enjoy exploring their senses with our scavenger hunts, sensory activities, becoming the authors of their own imagination and bringing their favourite stories to life with our Storytelling week, discovering fun facts and learning all about wildlife, getting messy with arts and crafts as they take part in our splat of colour week and so much more!

By using our handy instalment plan - you can spread the cost of your termly or yearly bookings through manageable monthly instalments and ensure your child never misses a moment!

Book now at:

www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/

**If you have any further queries, please contact Energy Kidz on
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