



ST MICHAEL'S  
C of E PRIMARY  
HIGHGATE

8th March 2024

# WEEKLY ROUNDUP

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Carers,  
Happy International Womens Day!

Book Week has been fantastic! Lots of reading, book-making and themed activities culminating in yesterday's World Book Day and the dress as a word event. It was my first time celebrating WBD by thinking of and dressing as a word and it was so much fun! I loved seeing how inventive and creative our children are. Words included Popcorn, Vibrant, Fierce, Burglar, Sparkly, Hypochondriac and Casual amongst many others. Thank you to all the parents and carers for supporting this and to the children for making it so much fun.

The Book Fair was hugely popular this week - I hope you all had a chance to visit. Many thanks to Muswell Hill Children's Book Shop for bringing such an exciting range of books. I would also like to thank Miss Orson for all her organisation and planning to ensure this week was amazing. Next week's newsletter will have more photos and stories from Book Week.

As if Book Week wasn't enough, we also had a fantastic Year 4 trip to the British Museum and a wonderful disco last night organised by the SMSA. Thank you to all the parents who supported on the trip and those that gave up their time last night to make sure the disco was able to run and be so enjoyable.

Finally, thank you so much to Saskia Joss for the first part of her parent talk on Boundaries and Routines for Children. The parents really enjoyed the discussion and the opportunity to ask questions and are looking forward to part two!

Next week our Year 4 pupils will be heading off to Flatford for their residential trip. Fingers crossed for lovely weather!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Sinead O'Brien

*Dear God,  
We thank you for the power of a good book to transport us to new places and to give us new experiences. We thank you for the creativity of authors and illustrators in creating books for us to enjoy.  
Amen*



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

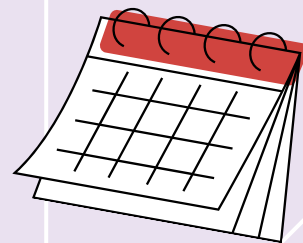
Message from  
our  
Head of School





*Sinead  
O'Brien*



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# KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY



Tues 12th	Year 1 Trip to Westminster Abbey
Wed 13th	Year 4 Flatford Residential Trip (Wed-Fri) Year 5 swimming
Friday 15th	 <b>Red Nose Day</b> Reception Uluru Family Assembly Please note change of Class assembly. More info to follow 
Mon 18th	 <b>St Patrick's Day - Wear GREEN</b> 
Tue 19th	Whole School Parents' Evening
Wed 20th	Nursery Parents' Evening Year 5 Swimming
Thur 21st	Whole School Parents' Evening
Fri 22nd	Reception Machu Picchu Family Assembly

# House Points & Attendance

## Class House Point Winners

KS1	Denali 311
LKS2	Kenya 405
UKS2	Eiger 590

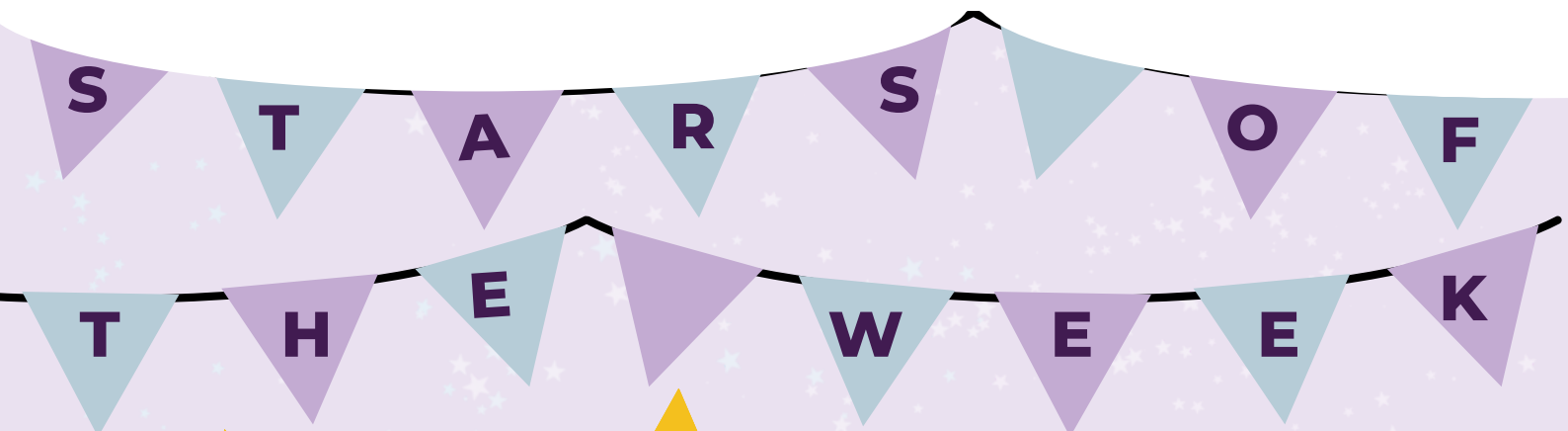
## House Winner

**St Andrew**  
**505**



Class with the best attendance:

***Everest Class***  
with 99.3%



### **Year 1**

Miriam &  
Sulaiman

### **Year 2**

Ananth &  
Tom

### **Year 3**

Emile &  
Timur

### **Year 4**

Emilio &  
Kaiden

### **Year 5**

Noura &  
Janaiyah

### **Year 6**

Olisia &  
Gwilym



# NEXT WEEK ON THE MENU

## MON 11TH – FRI 15TH MARCH

St Michael's C of E Primary School

### Weekly menu



#### Monday

Cheese & Tomato  
Margherita Pizza  
wheat, milk Served with  
Potato Wedges

Tomato & Basil Pasta  
wheat with Chef's Salad &  
Cheese milk

Cheddar Cheese & Herb  
Bread

Jacket Potato with Choice  
of Fillings

Salad  
Selection

Baked Beans  
Sweetcorn

Orange & Lemon Sponge  
wheat, egg, milk With  
Custard milk

#### Tuesday

Oven Baked Sausages  
Chicken Served with Mashed  
Potatoes & Gr

Oven Baked Vegetable  
Sausages Served with Mashed  
Potatoes & Gravy

Wholemeal/White Bread

Jacket Potato with Choice  
of Fillings

Yr 5 & 6 Only Ham Salad  
or Cheese Baguette

Garlic Greens  
Carrots

Jelly with Watermelon  
Wedge

#### Wednesday

Roast Lemon & Thyme  
Turkey Served with Roast  
Potatoes & Gravy

Cheddar Cheese Flan ,milk  
,eggs Served with Roast  
Potatoes

Wholemeal/White Bread

Jacket Potato with Choice  
of Fillings

Salad  
Selection

Broccoli  
Peas

Fresh Fruit  
Platter/Yogurt

#### Thursday

Beef Bolognese Served  
with Penne Pasta wheat

Lentil & Vegetable  
Bolognese wheat Served  
with Penne Pasta wheat

Garlic & Herb Focaccia

Jacket Potato with a Choice  
of Fillings

Yr 5 & 6 only Cream Cheese  
& Cucumber/Tuna Mayo  
Baguette

Sweetcorn Carrots

Lemon Shortbread wheat  
with Fresh Fruit Wedges

#### Friday

Fish Finger's wheat, fish  
with Tomato Sauce & Chips

Cheese & Onion Pinwheel  
Cheese, Wheat with  
Tomato Sauce & Chips

Wholemeal/White Bread

Jacket Potato with a Choice  
of Fillings

Yr 5 & 6 only  
Fishfinger Baguette

Peas Baked  
Beans

Ice Cream milk With  
Sliced Seasonal Fruit

#### Available daily

Salad Selection  
Fresh Fruit  
Yoghurt  
Homemade Bread  
Jacket Potatoes

**HARRISON**  
food with thought



ULURU

World

Book Day





# MACHU PICCHU

## World

## Book Day



Thank you to all the parents that came in to read with us today.







# World AORAKI Book Day



Year 1 had a great time celebrating World Book Day. Everyone dressed up as their favourite word. In class we looked at comic books, and learnt about the clear line style of Belgian cartoonists Hergé, Edgar Jacobs and Jacques Martin. We used these authors as inspiration to make our own comic books based on our class story "Traction Man" by Mini Grey.

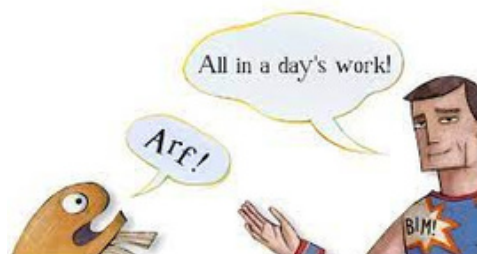
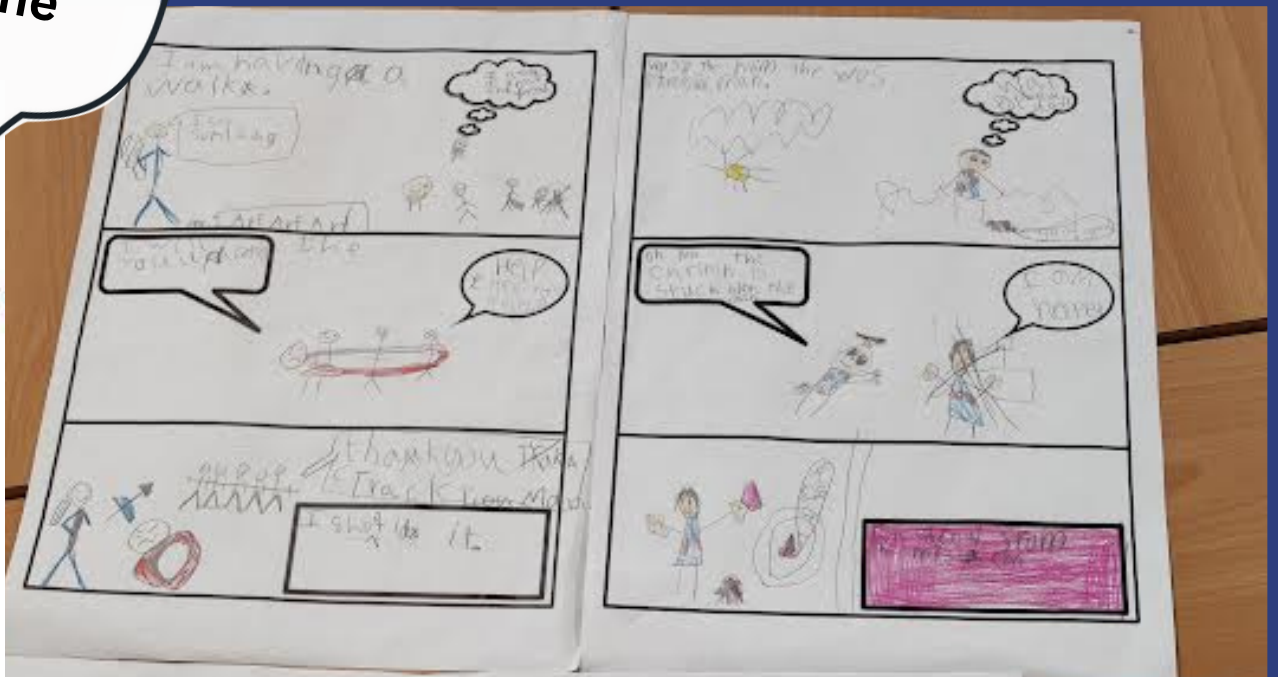




# Year 1 Aoraki

Inspired by the Belgian "ligne claire" style of comic book writing, Y1 Aoraki made their own graphic novel based on Mini Grey's book, "Traction Man"

Great work everyone







# YEAR 2 EVEREST

## World

## Book Day



Year 2 had a fabulous day with lots of fun, as well as paired reading and great costumes.





# Year 2

Year 2 went to the Tower of London to learn about  
The Great Fire of London.





# Year 3

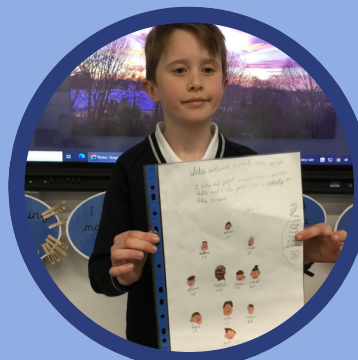
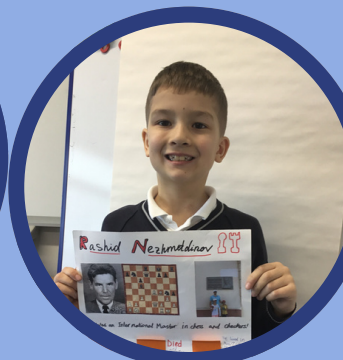
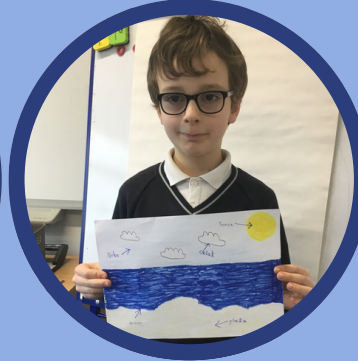
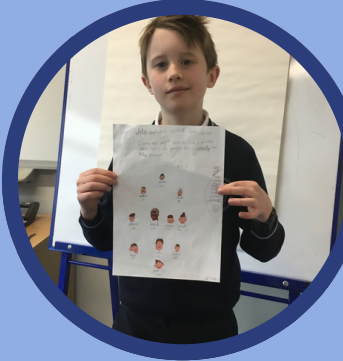
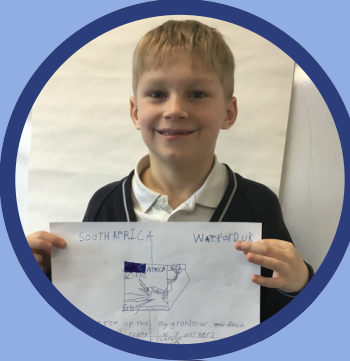
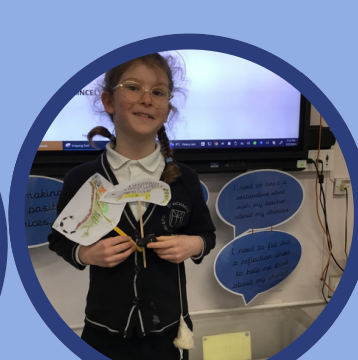
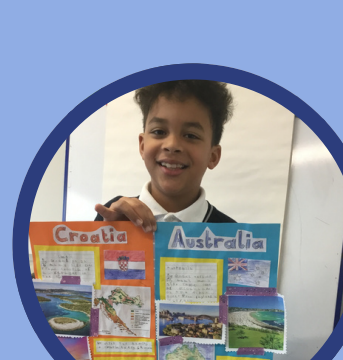
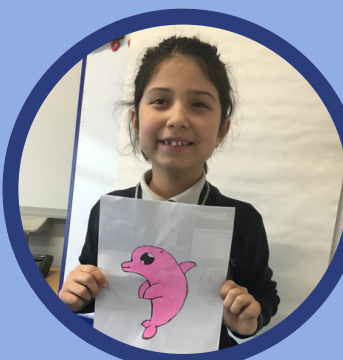
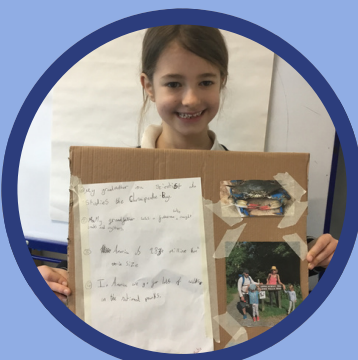
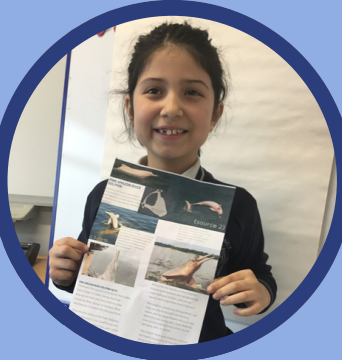
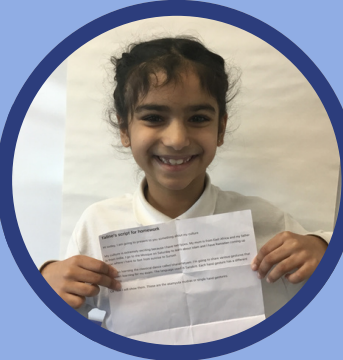
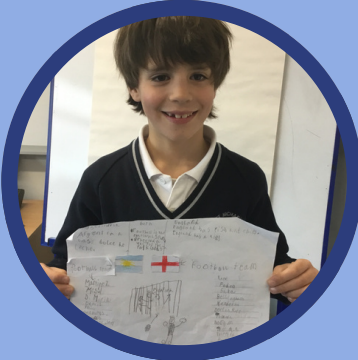
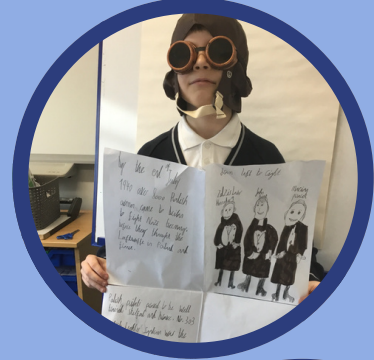
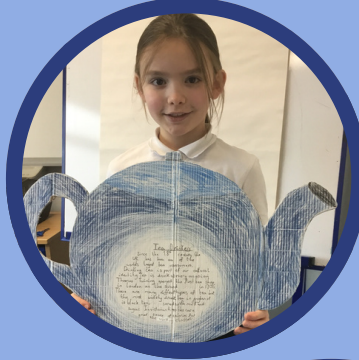
Year 3 were treated to a dramatic retelling of one of the greatest 'man vs beast' stories from the ancient world with Hunter's mum's rendition of Theseus and the Minotaur. Theseus saves the day and rids the world of the dreaded Minotaur, but tragedy awaits his return home. The children joined in the retelling with great enthusiasm. Many thanks again for telling us the story so vividly.





# Year 3 Toubkal

Here is a selection of the wide range of culture and diversity projects in our class







# Year 6 Eiger



Tuesday 5th March was Mars day.  
To celebrate this, Year 6 took part in a special mission to the Moon and Mars. They were part of a crew and were able to make choices about what spaceship to use, which astronaut would step foot on Mars first and even how they were going to transmit the videos back to Earth.

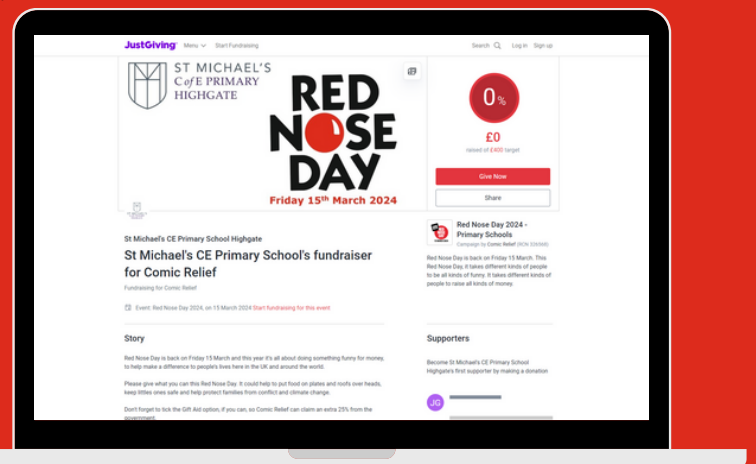


# RED NOSE DAY

Friday 15th March

On Friday, come to school wearing  
red to show your support for  
Comic Relief's Red Nose Day!

CLICK HERE TO DONATE ON  
OUR JUSTGIVING PAGE!



[justgiving.com/page/stmichaelsn6-rednoseday2024](https://justgiving.com/page/stmichaelsn6-rednoseday2024)





# SMSA Update



**Firstly, a big thank you to all our volunteers who helped at the Infant and Junior discos.**

**They were a great success, and the kids all enjoyed dancing along with Captain Fantastic!**



**Next week is the Red Nose Day cake sale so we will need some cake donations (nut-free). As always you can bring these just before pick up, or Friday morning - hand to one of us, Charlotte, Anja or Vanessa.**



**The Easter Egg raffle goes live on Monday!**

**We will also need some Easter egg donations for this, so if you can donate Easter eggs, any size, you can bring these to your class teachers from next week.**

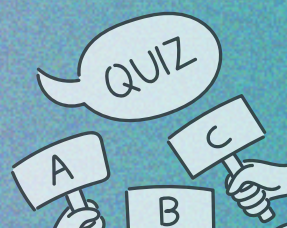


**Please don't forget the highly anticipated quiz night next Thursday 14th!**

**Tickets are still on sale on Classlist.**

**Each table gets a grazing board, and it's always such a fun evening !**

**Have a great weekend.  
Charlotte, Anja & Vanessa**







## Supporting St Michael's C of E Primary School

*An exceptional community supporting an outstanding school*

We know you are very proud of our exceptional results and the outstanding education your children receive, as recently affirmed by OFSTED. Your children enjoy a beautiful school and extensive grounds, which make St Michael's such a special and inspiring place to learn. However, the upkeep is costly and we need your support. Together, you can give every child at St Michael's the best chance to learn and grow.

### St Michael's Learning Fund

As a Voluntary Aided school, the local authority only funds 90% of our building works and improvements. The remainder is funded partly via the London Diocesan Board for Schools (LDBS), and partly via your voluntary contributions to the St Michael's Learning Fund.

A huge thank you to those of you who already donate regularly to the Learning Fund. If you don't already do so, will you make a monthly contribution to our school?

Our aim for 2024 is for as many families as possible to commit to support us in maintaining and enhancing our exceptional school. Your support will make a huge difference, now more than ever as our costs continue to rise.

### How to support your school

Please set up your regular donation to the Learning Fund today.



**The easiest way to give to the Learning Fund is by setting up a standing order via your banking app (eg. £10, £20 or £40 month), using the following details:**

Account name: St Michaels School

Type of account: Business

Sort code: 30-93-80

Account number: 18691660

You can also donate by logging into your child's **Scopay** account at [scopay.com](https://scopay.com), and selecting 'St Michael's Learning Fund 23/24'.



All contribution amounts are voluntary and confidential.

We will continue to let you know how your donations are spent.

**Thank you very much from past and present Governors, parents and pupils.**





## **SMSA (St Michael's School Association)**

We are also very fortunate to be supported by your parent-led fundraising body, the SMSA. The differences between the Learning Fund and the SMSA are summarised below. The school needs funds from both sources to be able to continue what we do.

	<b>St Michael's Learning Fund</b> <i>Previously 'The Governors Fund'</i>	<b>SMSA</b> <i>St Michael's School Association</i>
<b>What is this?</b>	Charitable trust that raises essential funds to maintain and improve your school. All voluntary aided schools (typically faith schools) have to raise funds from their community in this way. Your Governors are trustees of the fund, which is subject to regulation by the Charity Commission.	Parent-led body that runs social events throughout the school year for children and parents, to bring the community together and raise funds. A registered charity, subject to regulations by the Charity Commission.
<b>How is the money raised spent?</b>	A rolling program of essential works to our buildings, classrooms and grounds, as well as additional projects that make our school exceptional (e.g. our school library, and our digital offer).	Additional items to enrich our children's learning e.g. KS1 reading shed, classroom resources and new climbing frames.
<b>How can parents contribute?</b>	Regular contribution via standing order of £10, £20 or £40 a month; or more if you are in a position to do so.  We also invite Y6 parents to make a one-off legacy donation to commemorate your child's time at St Michael's and to help other children have the same opportunities your child has benefitted from.	By continuing to support class cake sales, school fairs, and other special events including quiz nights, bonfire night and sponsored sports events throughout the year.

The Learning Fund is the name given to the charity registered with the Charity Commission under the number 312451 and with the formal name Highgate St Michael's National School. The SMSA is the name given to the charity registered with the Charity Commission under the number 1076564 and with the formal name St. Michael's School Association. Further details on both charities can be found at [www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission).





Dear Parents/Carers,

We have some exciting news for you! We are taking part in the 15th year celebration of Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 11-22 March 2024. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

### **What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, use a wheelchair, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

### **Including everyone**

We want to make sure that everyone can get involved in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel. We know it may be more difficult for some pupils to take part than others. If you want to discuss more about your child(ren)'s specific needs, please contact Mr Houghton and he will make sure to look into how your child(ren) can take part.

### **Why we are taking part**

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. A 2021 YouGov study showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school. And that children thought active travel was the best way to bring down these pollution levels. Plus, there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part!

### **Useful resources**

To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school. Download your free family guide using this link: <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/>

For more information about the event go to [www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk](http://www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk) . Enjoy the challenge!

Best wishes

Mr Houghton  
Head of PE and Sport  
Year 5 Class Teacher



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FOR LIFE



WE HAVE ACHIEVED

**GOLD LEVEL**

ACCREDITATION



This is to certify that:

# St Michael's CofE Voluntary Aided Primary School

has been awarded Gold in recognition  
of achievement in the TfL Travel for Life  
programme, supporting the next generation  
of Londoners to travel towards a brighter,  
safer and more sustainable future.

Will Norman  
Walking and Cycling Commissioner  
Transport for London



MAYOR OF LONDON

**Haringey**  
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FOR LONDON**  
EVERY JOURNEY MATTERS



# Easter Egg-cellent Bags




**PLEASE BRING A BAG FOR LIFE WITH  
ANY OF THESE ITEMS AND SOME  
EASTER GOODIES TO OUR  
FRIDAY FOODBANK COLLECTION**

Tinned Meat, Fish, Fruit & Veg  
Stock cubes & spices  
Rice, grains & noodles  
Oil, Flour, and Eggs  
Long life dairy-free milk  
Biscuits, Crackers, Crisps, Sweets & Treats  
Jam, Honey, Peanut Butter & Marmite  
Tea & instant coffee  
Deodorant, Shampoo, Soap Bars, Dental  
Large Nappies, Cream, Formula  
Laundry Tabs, Bleach, Washing-Up Liquid

Tinned Fruit  
Tinned Oily Fish  
Breakfast Cereal  
Dairy Free UHT Milk  
Mayonnaise  
Cooking Oil  
Honey, Peanut Butter, Chocolate Spread  
Cereal Bars  
Herbs & Spices  
Toothpaste & Deodorant  
Nappies, Size 5, 6 & 7







Tickets available on Classlist  
*£20 per person, teams of  
5 but you can come solo  
and join a team*



# Quiz Night

Thursday 14th March  
1900-2200  
KS2/Junior Hall

## What's happening

7 DIFFERENT ROUNDS.

TICKET INCLUDES 1 DRINK AND  
GRAZING BOARD TO SHARE. WINNING  
TEAM WILL GET THEIR TICKET COST  
REFUNDED.

RAFFLE FOR ASSORTMENT OF PRIZES  
INCLUDING ALCOHOL, NAIL  
MANICURE AND MORE.

Mr Holt as Quizmaster with his 'un'  
glamorous assistant Jeremy Smith





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# CAPOEIRA GRADUATION

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DATE**

**DETAILS FOLLOW  
SOON**

**CAPOEIRA  
KIDS**

**ANNUAL  
GRADUATION**

**SUNDAY  
19TH OF MAY**

**HAVERSTOCK  
SCHOOL  
NW32BQ**

**MESTRE HIRAM & TEAM**  
07908433195  
INFO@CAPOEIRACLUB.CO.UK



# *St. Michael's Preloved*

To buy your preloved uniform items please send requests to

**[stmichaelspreloved@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelspreloved@gmail.com)**

To donate uniform please  
leave by the food bank  
table every Friday

*Preloved would like to request that items are  
non-faded, in good condition and laundered*





- Multi-Activity Camp
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- OFSTED Registered Provider
- Weekly Specialists
- £40 per day
- £200 per week



## ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**RUNNING EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAY!**  
Summer Holiday, Easter Holiday,  
Winter Holiday and Half Terms!



SCAN TO BOOK

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Book at [activedaycamps.com](https://activedaycamps.com)

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# Are you ready to vote?

## Make sure you've registered to vote!

This can be done online or by post and takes just a couple of minutes.



## Want to vote in person?

Check that you have an accepted form of photo ID. These are some of the accepted forms:



If you don't, you can apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate.

Check your poll card to find your polling station.

## Want to vote by post or proxy?

You can apply online for a postal or proxy vote.



For more information, visit:  
[www.haringey.gov.uk/elections](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/elections)

## Ready, Set, Vote!

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LONDON