



ST MICHAEL'S
C of E PRIMARY
HIGHGATE

1st March 2024

WEEKLY ROUNDUP

NEWSLETTER



Message from
our
Head of School

*Sinead
O'Brien*



The school has been a sea of red today in celebration of St David's Day. We have lots of Welsh connections at school and it has been lovely to pause and focus on Wales today. St David was a monk and a bishop who became a well known preacher, who went around Wales devoting himself to helping people and sharing Christianity. Gwnewch y pethau bychain or "Do the little things" are considered to be St David's most famous words.

He believed that the people of Wales should do the small, considerate things that often make a big difference. Today these words are relevant to us all and are a reminder that the little things, be they words or actions, count.

We have been busy as usual at St Michael's with fantastic trips to the Young V&A and The Tower of London. Thank you to all staff and parents volunteers for supporting these trips, they are hard work but so worth it! The pupils, as always, were excellently behaved and a credit to the school. Year 4 have also been super busy working with the instructors from Bikeability. Despite the rain, they all had a great time!

Thank you to reception for my wonderful treats this week, Crackle Cookies and Flapjacks - I have been truly spoilt!

Next week is Book Week at St Michael's and the staff have lots of great activities planned for the pupils including on World Book Day. I am really looking forward to seeing all the word costumes on Thursday, I'm already planning mine!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend
Sinead O'Brien

A St David's Day Prayer
Dear God,
Help us never to forget that other people matter
Help us to take the time each day
To do something little that could make a huge difference to someone else
Please help us always to look for opportunities to encourage other people and be kind
Help us never to be too busy to help others
Amen



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

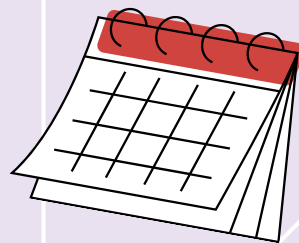
Brought to life through our mission
To nurture and inspire our children to develop a love of learning in a supportive Christian community and become the best they can be.

Underpinned by our values
Endurance | Forgiveness | Koinonia | Creation | Friendship



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KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY



BOOK WEEK

Tue 5th

Year 4 Trip to the British Museum
Book Fair in KS2 Hall

Wed 6th

Year 5 Swimming
Book Fair in KS2 Hall

Thur 7th



World Book Day - dress up as a word!

Book Fair in KS2 Hall
SMSA Whole School Disco



Fri 8th

Parent Talk with Saskia Joss

Tues 12th

Year 1 Trip to Westminster Abbey

Wed 13th

Year 4 Trip Flatford Residential
Year 5 swimming

Friday 15th



Red Nose Day

Reception Uluru Family Assembly



Please note change of Class assembly. More info to follow

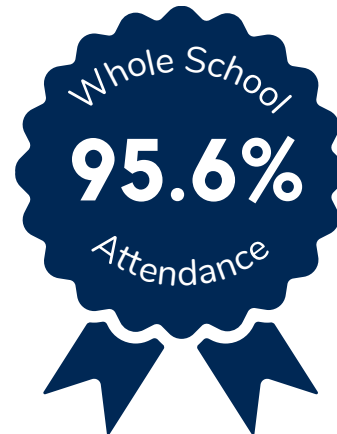
House Points & Attendance

Class House Point Winners

KS1	Everest 344
LKS2	Kenya 535
UKS2	Cairngorms 437

House Winner

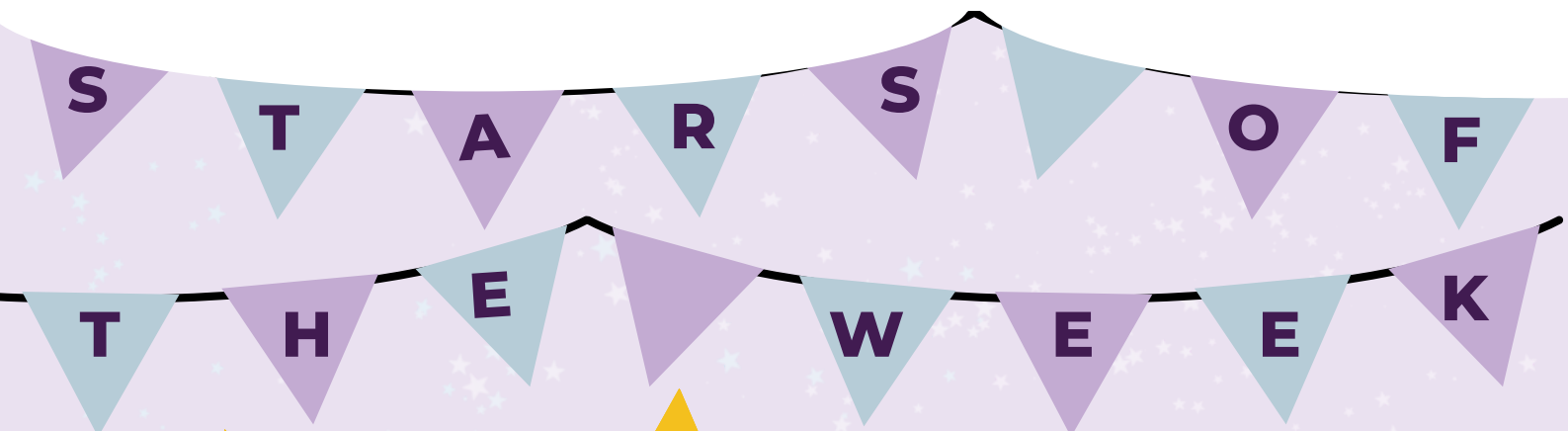
St Patrick
760



Class with the best attendance:

Cairngorm Class

with 99.2%



Year 1

Leo &
Liam

Year 2

Laima &
Kai

Year 3

Poppy &
Zach

Year 4

Issac,
Hadleigh
& Ivan

Year 5

Natalie &
Jonnie

Year 6

Sam &
Lamiya

WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2024

World Book Day Events

Book Week
4th March - 8th March



Dear Parents and Carers,

We will soon be celebrating our annual Book Week. There will be many exciting things happening across the school. Please read the information below carefully.



Read for Good Readathon – KS1 and KS2

On Monday 4th March, we will be launching a 'Read for Good Readathon'. This is a sponsored reading challenge which will last for the rest of the half term, and helps to raise money for books within children's hospitals. More information on this will be sent separately and in the coming days.



World Book Day and Word Dress Up

World Book Day takes place on **Thursday 7th March**.

Children can come to school in costume;

however the theme for this year is something slightly different...

We are asking children to come dressed as a representation of a word they love.

This could be a word from their favourite book, or a word they think no one will have heard of. Children will spend time discussing this in school.

Children will also be provided with a £1 book token which can be used to receive £1 off their next book, or to get one of the exclusive World Book Day books for free.

For further

information about what these free books are, and which retailers are taking part, follow this link...<https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>.

Book Fairs

A book fair will be held in the Key Stage 1 hall after school on **Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th March**. It will be run by a local seller in Muswell Hill, The Children's Bookshop, and will open its doors from 3:30pm until 4:10pm. Please come along for a browse and to buy a new book.

World Book Day tokens will be accepted here for a £1 discount. They cannot be redeemed for one of the free books as these are not stocked by this seller. We always experience issues with card machine signal in our school building. To avoid longer waiting times, we strongly advise you bring cash.



NEW

Parent Talk

Saskia Joss

BACP Registered
Children's Therapist



Parent Talk

This talk will detail how you can help children to be the best that they can be. How boundaries, routine and a healthy sleep schedule can drastically improve children's brain function, wellbeing and academic ability. Saskia will talk about the theory behind this and help us to understand how young people can be supported to excel in all areas of their life.

About Saskia

Saskia Joss is a BCAP registered therapist who uses an integrative therapies approach including talking, 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/>



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**Supporting Children
to Excel in all Areas**



**Reserve your place:
admin@stmichaelsn6.com**

Date: Friday 8th March @ 9am

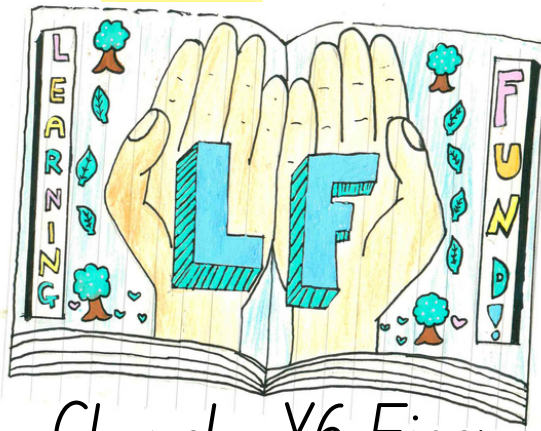
Location: KS2 Hall

Learning Fund Logo Competition

Thank you and well done to all the children who designed a new logo for the Learning Fund.

There were some fantastic entries and we are amazed at the enthusiasm and skill of our children!

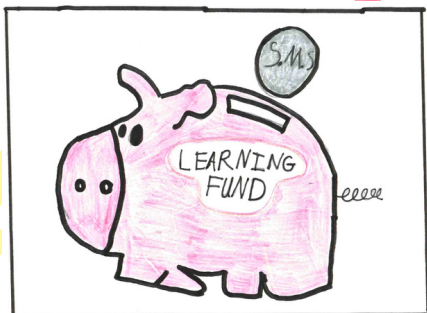
Our Winner



Chanel - Y6 Eiger

Tiffany - Y6 Matterhorn

Our Runner-Ups



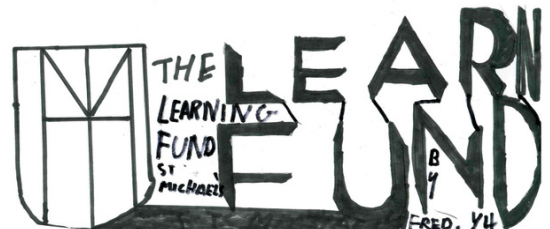
Edward - Y4 Etna



Siudy - Y6 Eiger



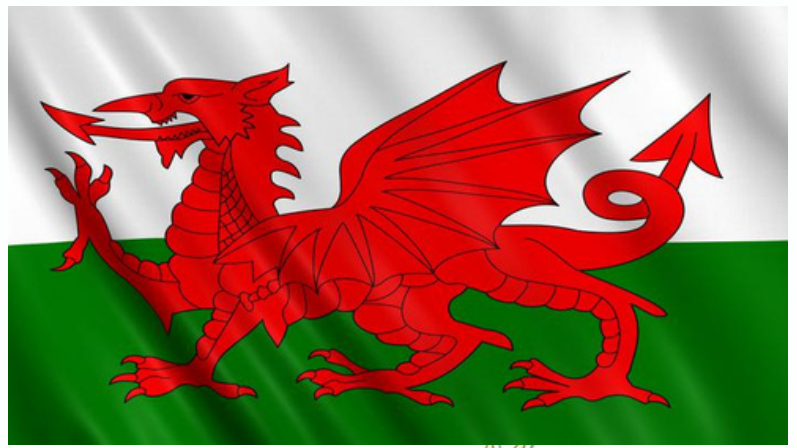
London - Y3 Toubkal



Fred - Y4 Etna

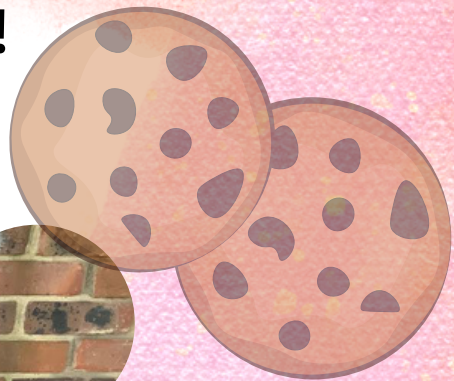


Today we celebrated St Davids Day by wearing red and appreciating Daffodils at lunch time while we ate.



Reception Class

The children in Machu Picchu class felt terrible last week about Mrs O'Brien missing out on a banana muffin from our cookery lesson, so this week the cooks delivered two Chocolate Crinkle biscuits to her office!



EYFS People Who Help Us

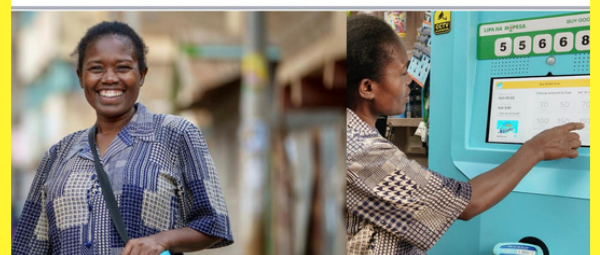
Salma's mummy came in to talk about her job.

She works in the African development sector creating cleaner cooking.

Traditionally people use open fires and charcoal to cook in their homes. This produces lots of smoke which is very dangerous and harmful.

Salma's mummy helps to provide fuel and special cookers to use instead that are safe and clean.

Thank you, Hanaan!



Year 3 trip to the Young V & A

Year 3 enjoyed a busy and inspiring trip to the newly renovated Young V and A museum. There was so much to see and do - from old-fashioned dolls' houses to the latest computer games. In the workshop, they used their design and technology skills to draw robotic body parts that would help the wearer to navigate in the dark.

"I really enjoyed the room where the floor was at an angle." Zach

"I liked drawing my self-portrait in the design gallery." Simona

"We liked making up a show in the theatre." Malak

"I liked using the invention kit in the workshop." Beau



YEAR 4

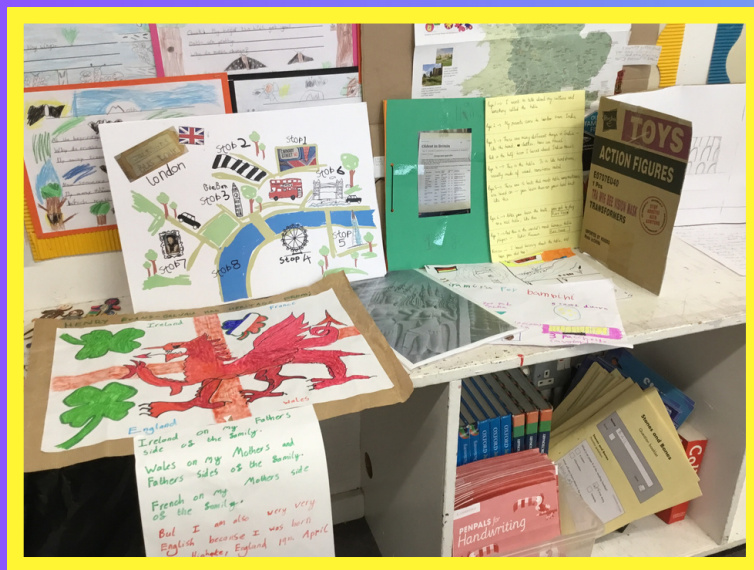
Year 4 Etna and Year 4 Fuji took part this week in Bikeability, which is a UK wide scheme to build cycling skills, and is suitable for all children, including children who cannot yet cycle. Well done to all that took part !



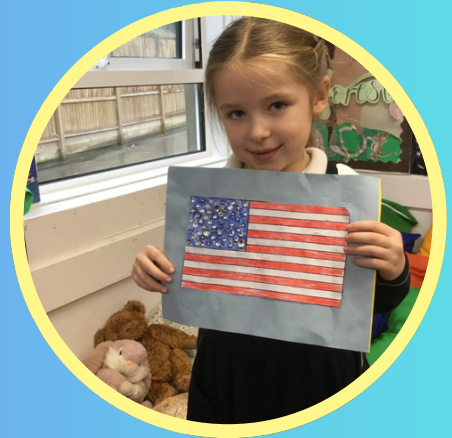
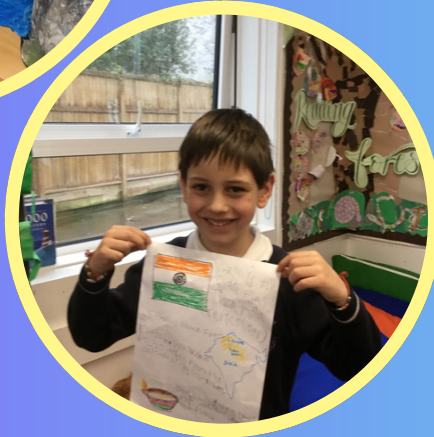
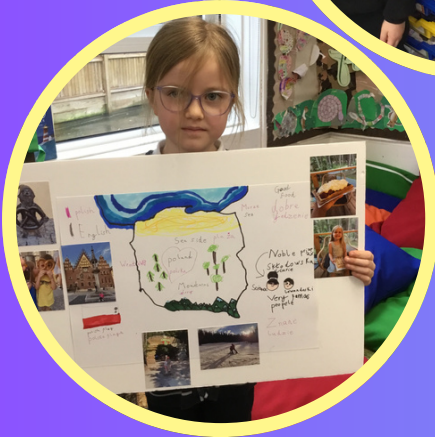
Celebration of Culture

One of the great things about our school is the wide range of cultures represented in our children, parents and staff and we wanted to show off this amazing diversity.

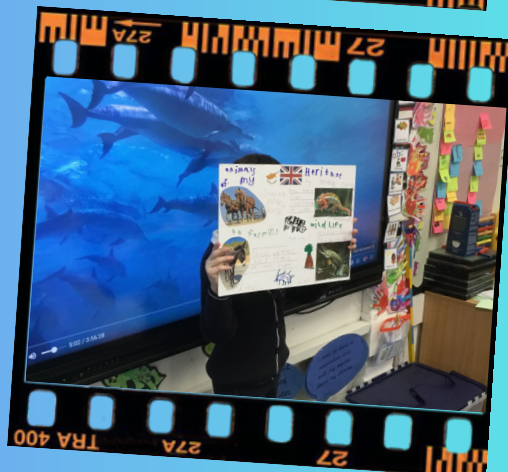
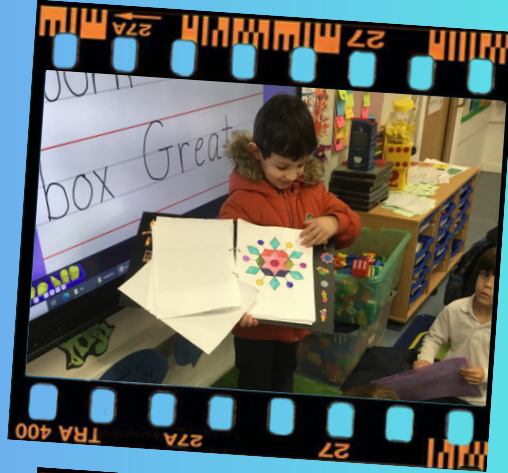
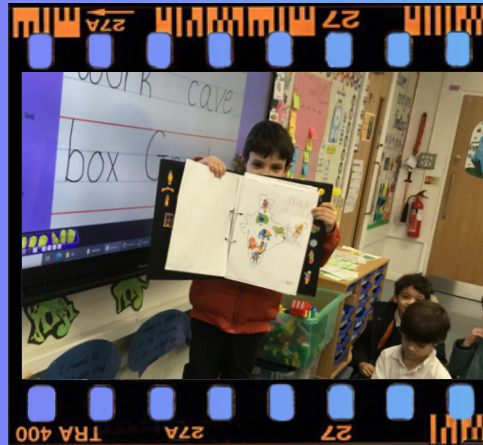
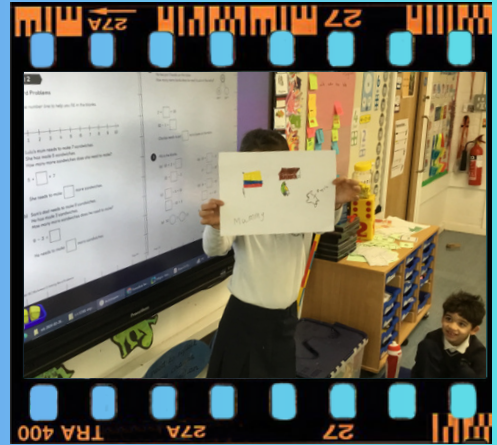
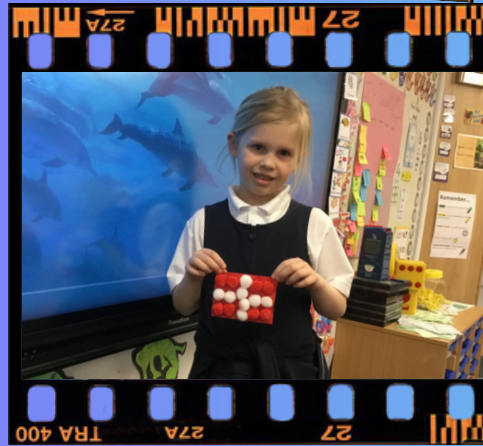
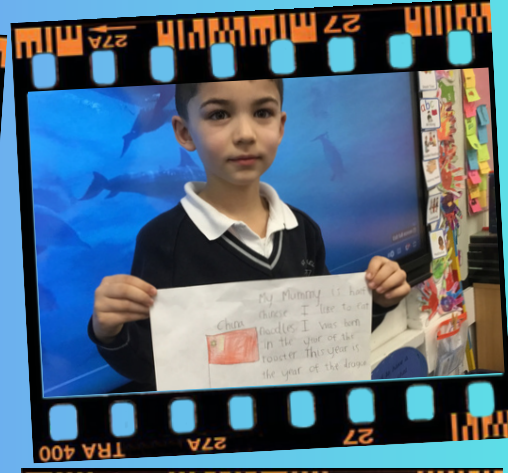
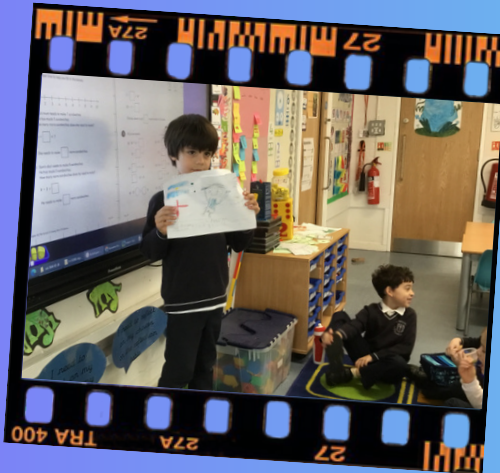
The children produced some fantastic projects to celebrate their culture and heritage. It was a delight to hear and learn about all the different nationalities we have in the school. These are some of the projects from Year 1 to Year 6.



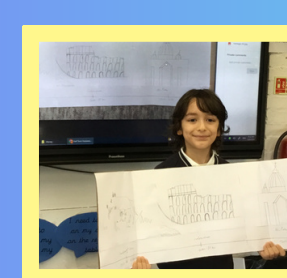
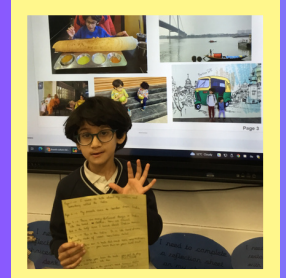
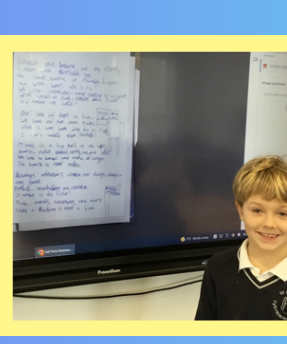
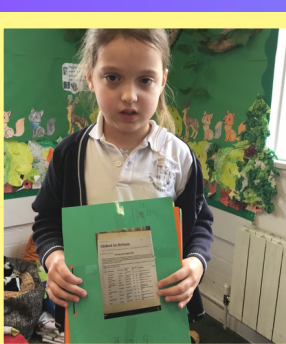
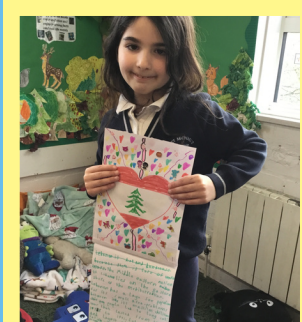
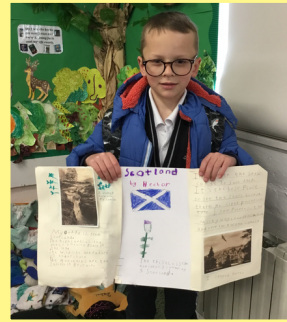
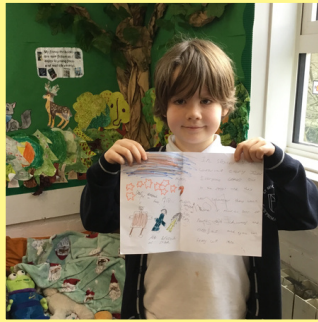
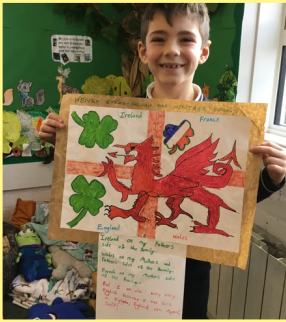
Year 1 Aoraki



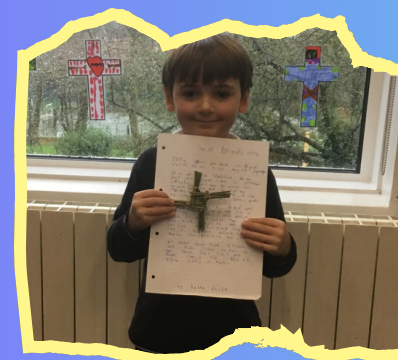
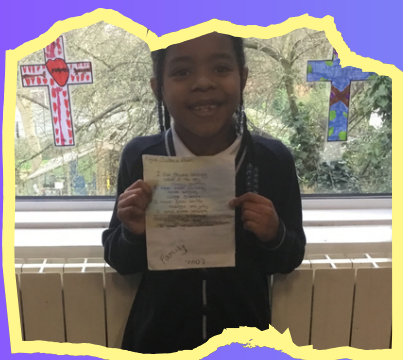
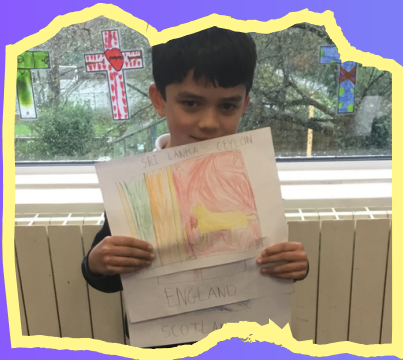
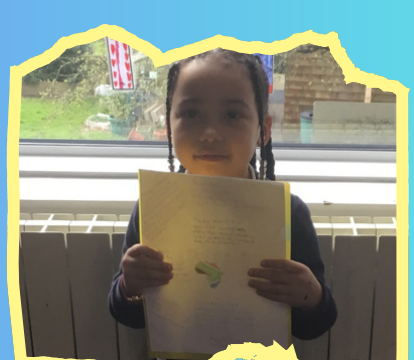
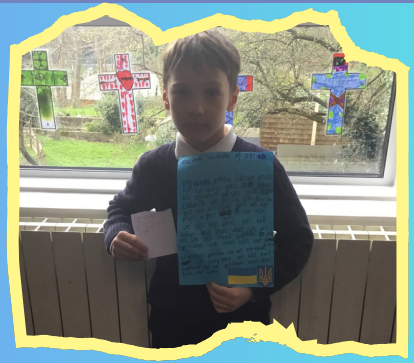
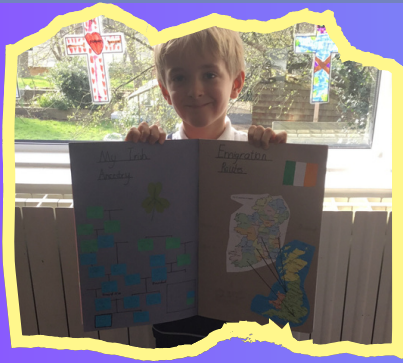
Year 1 Denali



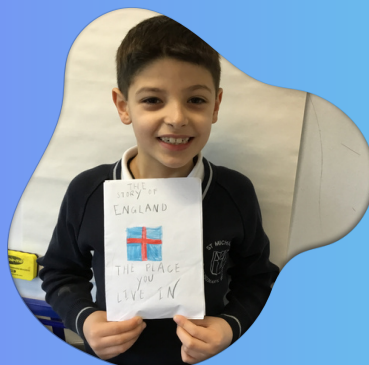
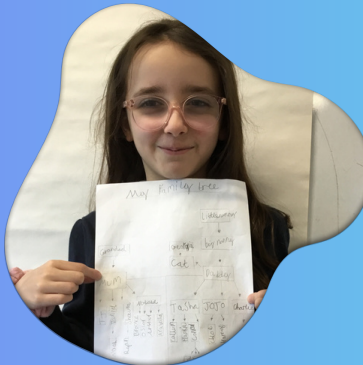
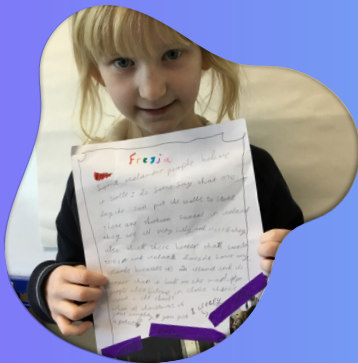
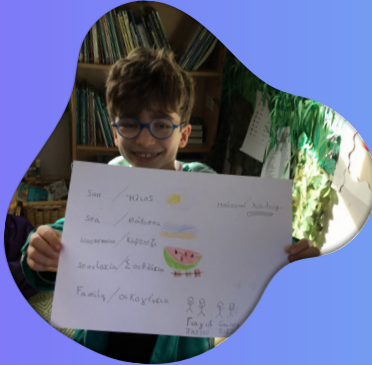
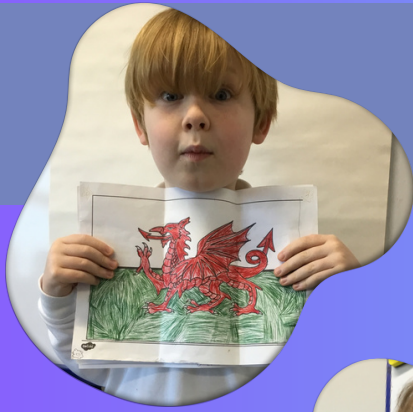
Year 2 Everest



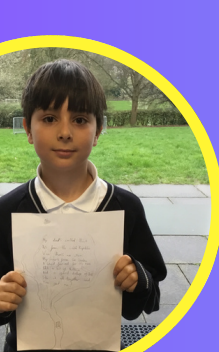
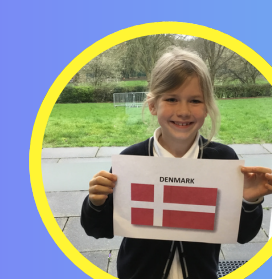
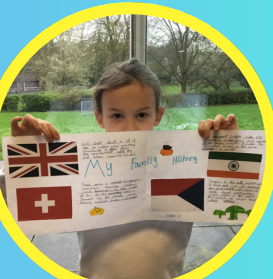
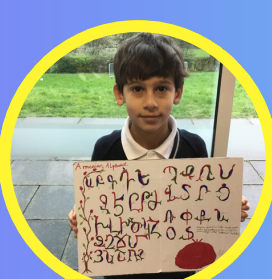
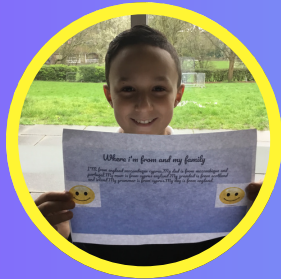
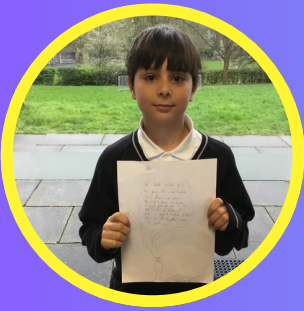
Year 2 K2



Year 3 Kenya



Year 4 Fuji



Year 5 Cairngorms

Nigeria is a country in West Africa next to Cam.
Both Ghana (Ghana & Nigeria) share many
similarities and differences.
Ireland is a country in Western Europe.
Northern Ireland is a different country to
the republic of Ireland, (Northern Ireland
is part of the UK and Ireland the rep-
ublic of Ireland is part of the EU).
The Irish flag is split into thirds
so is the Nigerian flag. The
Nigerian flag is green, white, green
whereas the Irish flag is gold,
white, green only on color different



~~Yoruba~~ Nigeria ~~Yoruba~~ Drumming Tradition
Yoruba is music is prehaps best recognised for its outstanding drumming skills & patterns. *Tijú* is a popular genre among the Yoruba people, characterized by its rhythmic and melodic guitar lines.

Greek, most popular
 food is greek olives.
 * Souvlaki, Moussaka and
 * Tzatziki. ^{tzatziki} Souvlaki is a
 meal including chicken
 * tomato olives, Pita and
 the dips ^{sauces} are Hummus
 and tarama.

is made up of thousands of

it is made up of mountains.

3 Greece is ~~more~~ ^{more} than 137
way ~~far~~ ^{from} the ocean.

My grandma
love got cooking
started when he was
photographer and wanted
dad cooking to his
skill set. At the
time photographers
were cool cuz
not so much
as getting
a job was
easy.

For my cultural heritage project I decided to do it about the love of cooking in my family especially my Grandad.



My grandpa
does all kinds
of good but
Chinese and
North American
is favourite
for him. My
mum is
very good
at it.
my

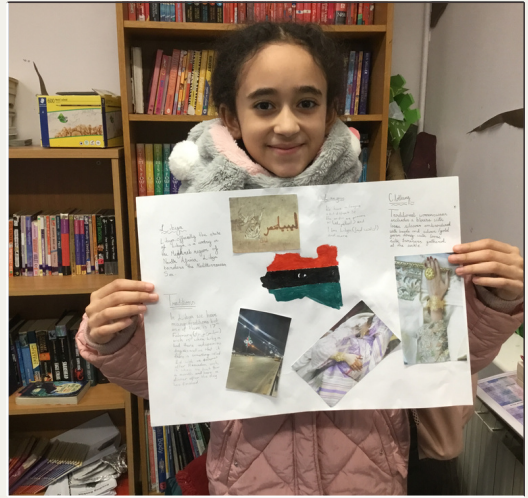
Nigerian is full glamour and color and uses spices and herbs. The main foods are rice, ~~folly~~ ~~no~~ ~~folly~~ rice is a popular dish made with pure tomatoes. Beans are common and food used to make stews.

Mor-Mois is a bean 'pudding' used to ~~make~~ make frito from black-eye-beans.
Soups and stews are made ~~with~~ with a mixture of meat and vegetables.
Pepper soup is a very popular soup.

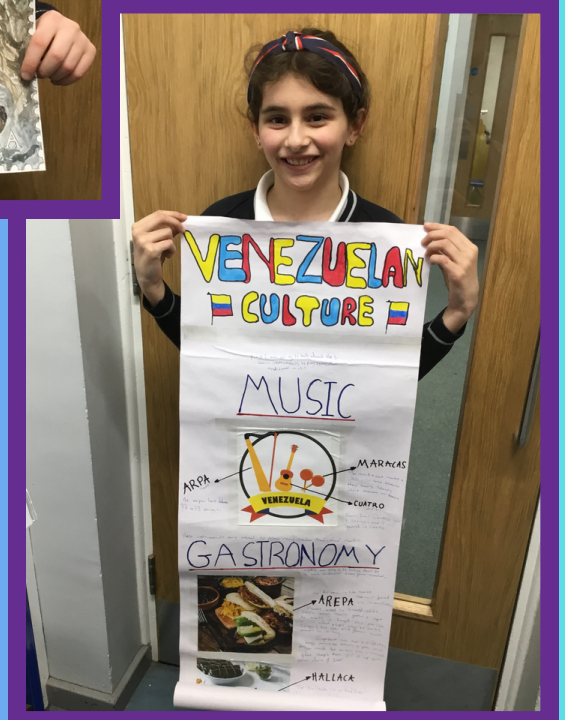
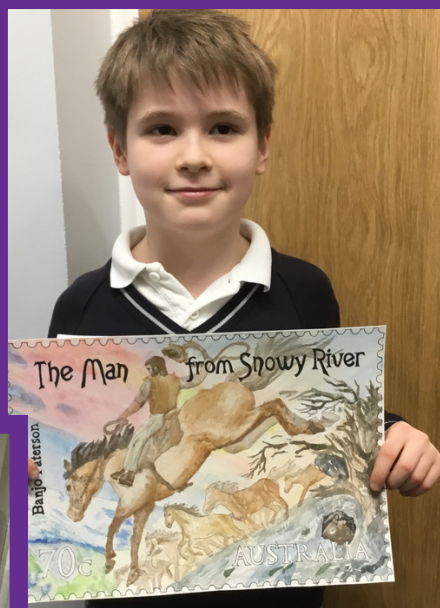
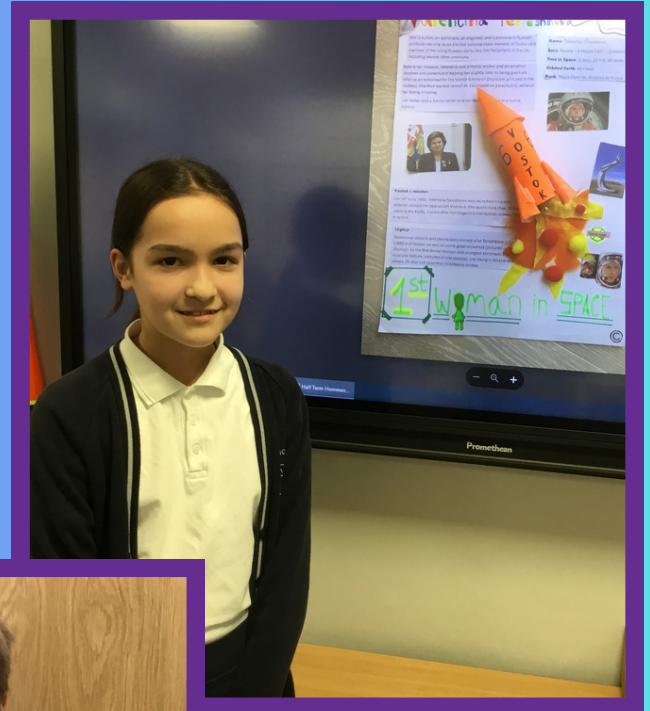
Yam is legible similar to potatoes.
 mounded in Amala ~~and~~ and Yam yam
 m. Cassava is another root vegetable.
 make ~~the~~ eba (also called gari)
 k paste rolled into balls.
 cassava. There are efo.



Year 5 Eryri



Year 6 Eiger



SMSA Update



Next Friday's cake Sale is Y5 - Eryri – please come and support them!

Please note there is also a **Red Nose Day Cake Sale** the following **Friday (15 March)** where all the money we make goes towards comic relief.



The St Michael's School Disco tickets can be bought via ClassList

Y1-Y3 can be bought via this link.
[Click Here](#)

Y4-Y6 can be bought via this link.
[Click Here](#)

Thank you and have a great week
Anja, Charlotte & Vanessa






SPRING SCHOOL DISCO

Thursday 7th March
Junior/KS2 Hall
Years 1-3 1700-1800
Years 4-6 1815-1915

TICKETS £3 ON CLASSLIST

Free juice box, crisps and packet of sweets
for each child

Children will be escorted to the top
playground to be collected at the end



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



Quiz Night

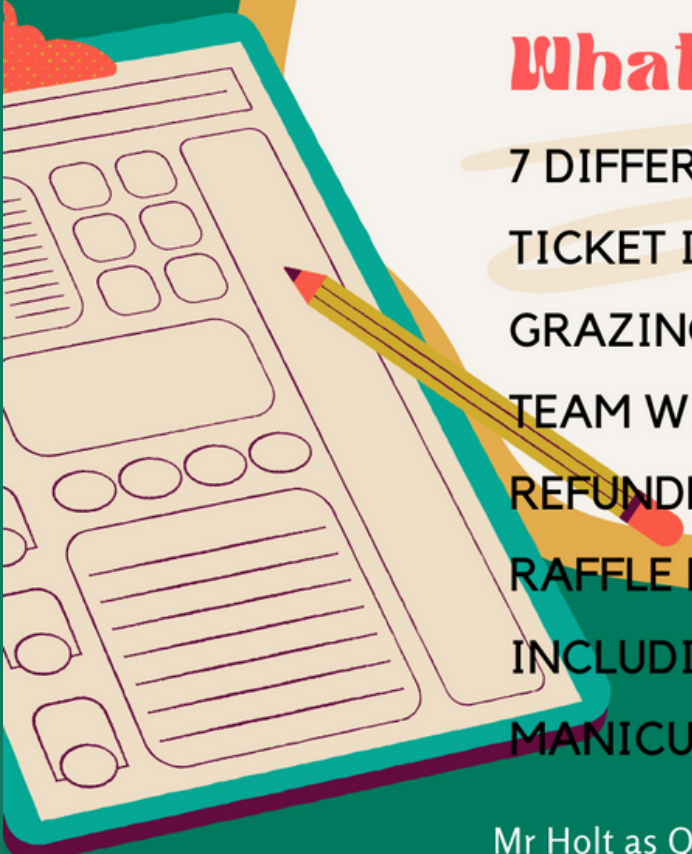
Thursday 14th March
1900-2200
KS2/Junior Hall

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

St. Michael's Preloved

To buy your preloved uniform items please send requests to

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*

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

Ready, Set, Vote!

Haringey
LONDON