

WEEKLY ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER

15th November 2024



Message from our Head of School



Dear Parents & Carers, I hope you have had a lovely week!

Today we were treated to an epic Greek adventure courtesy of Yr5 Eryri who shared what they have been learning about in History this term. We witnessed the actual Battle of Troy, complete with Trojan Horse! Thank you to all the pupils and Mr Braune for working so hard to prepare.

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week and we are encouraging the children to Choose Respect at all times towards all members of the school community. We will be continuing this work over the coming weeks.

It was lovely to see so many parents at Parents' Evenings this week. We have received lots of positive feedback which has been shared with the teachers. Thank you to all the teachers and support staff who worked so hard to ensure that parents were given a full and comprehensive account of their child's



learning so far this term

Have a lovely weekend Sinead O'Brien



The Learning Fund Projects

Thanks to parent/carer contributions to the Learning Fund we were able to refurbish the Year 3 and Year 4 toilets. The children can now 'spend a penny' in a much improved and nicer environment. Your generosity directly benefits our pupils and makes a positive differnce in their daily school experience.



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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.

THANK YOU!

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 to support us in maintaining and enhancing our exceptional school. Your support will make a huge differnce.



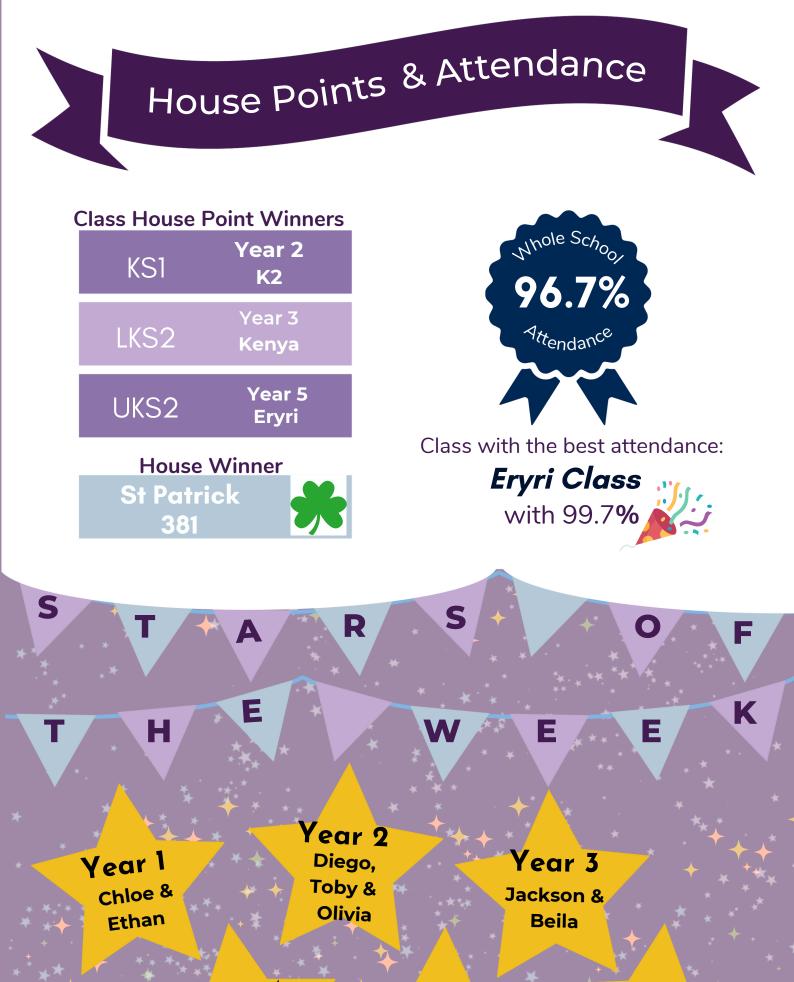
Mon 18th Nov	Year 5/6 Netball Tournament at Highgate School			
Tue 19th Nov	Year 4 Etna to Highgate Wood for Roman Workshop			
Wed 20th Nov	Year 4 Swimming Table Tennis Tournament Year 5/6 at APS			
Fri 22nd Nov	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED			

Tue 26th Nov	Year 4 Fuji to Highgate Wood for Roman Workshop		
Wed 27th Nov	Year 4 Swimming		
Fri 29th Nov	Year 5 Cairngorms Family Assembly		

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



Year 4 Beau & Elia

Year 5

Theo & Amber Year 6 Edward & Nia

Are you a person of faith?

Are you a person of faith? Would you like to talk to our children about what your beliefs mean to you?

As part of our commitment to teaching a diversity of faith perspectives we encourage parents to come and share their beliefs in the framework provided by our RE lessons.

St. Michael's is a school for people of all faiths and none. All types of denominations, ways of worship and people who have no faith at all.
Mr. Davenport is hoping to make a database of guest speakers who might be able to talk on a variety of topics to different year groups.

If you are interested, please pass on your details to the office and they will forward this to Mr Davenport.

Menu

WEEK 2 MONDAY				
Week 3				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Wheat, Milk) with a Chef's Salad	Build your own Burger Served In a roll (Wheat)with Seasoned Oven Wedges	Chicken Sausages with a Smokey BBQ Relish & Oven Baked Wedges	Beef, Tomato & Herb Pasta with Cheese Crumb Topping (Wheat, Milk)	Oven Baked Falafel Served with Red Onion Chutney & Chips
Sweet Chilli Stir Fry Served with Rice		Veggie Sausages with a Smokey BBQ Relish & Oven Baked Wedges	Butternut squash & Chickpea Korma Served with Rice	Battered Fish <mark>(Wheat, Fish)</mark> Served with Tomato Sauce & Ch
Jacket Potato with Cheese (Milk)& Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (Milk) & Baked Beans Salad Bar Toppings	Jacket Potato with Cheese (Milk) & Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (Milk) & Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (Milk) & Baked Beans
Sweetcorn/Potato Salad	Sweetcorn/Winter Coleslaw	Peas/Sweetcorn	Green Beans/ Carrots	Peas / Baked Beans
Forest Fruit Flapjack	Yoghurt Served with Fresh Fruit (Milk)	Mango Mousse (Milk)	Marbled Sponge (Wheat, Egg, Milk) With Chocolate Sauce	Lemon Traybake (Wheat, Egg, Milk)



"Cool as a Cucumber" comes from the fact that eating cucumberts can cool your blood and reduce swelling when applied to the skin. They can also help bad breath! Cucumbers are a source of Vitamin B and C and are 95% water. They are actually fruits as they have seeds and are related to watermelons!

Reception

To celebrate Diwali, the children heard the story of Rama and Sita. They made mehndi patterns on their hands and Rangoli patterns using coloured wood chip. The children learned that Rangoli is a popular Diwali tradition, making beautiful patterns using colourful powders and flowers. People draw Rangoli patterns on the floor by the entrance of their homes to welcome the Gods and bring good luck! The children made their own Rangoli patterns at the entrance of their classroom.





Reception

Uluru class learned about the importance of Remembrance Day and why we recognise it. We talked about the people that fought in the wars for us to make a better world for us today. We talked about being evacuated and how the children would feel about living with families they didn't know. We listened to The Last Call after we had observed the 2 minutes silence. We talked about the significance of poppies and each child made their







Reception



This week the cooks made pizzas. They had a variety of toppings they arranged on the pizzas catering for the meat eaters and vegetarians. The children loved eating them and there were even a few spare for some of the teachers!









We wore odd socks for anti-bullying week to show that we are all different and unique.



× ODD SOCKS DAY on TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2024



Come to school wearing your odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!

Year 1 Aoraki have been very busy this week! We have been learning about the human body in Science, and about explorers in Topic.









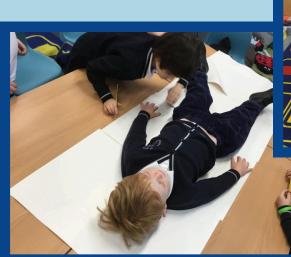


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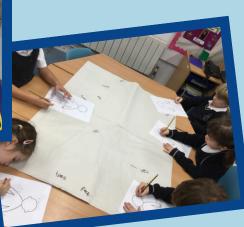
Y1 Denali has been enthusiastically learning about explorers, the human body and its parts, as well as supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance through participation in Odd Socks Day and dressing up in their favourite non-uniform ensembles for Children in Need!













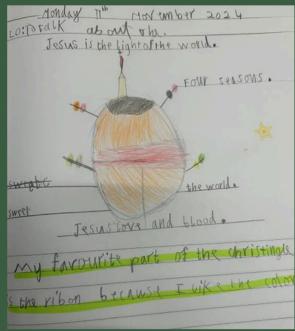






This week in Religious Studies, both Year 2 classes learned about what the Christingle is and what each of its parts represent. Students worked hard to draw and label the Christingle before writing about what their favourite part is and why.





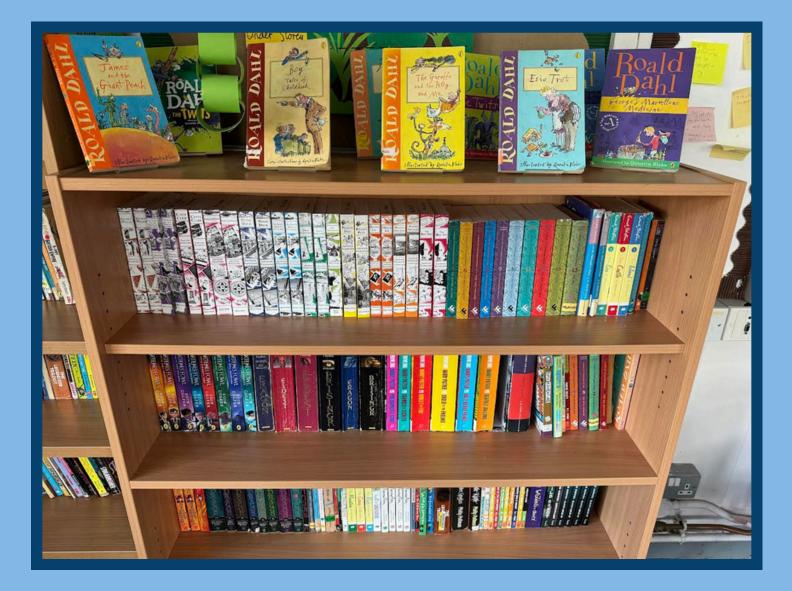




This fabulous display was designed and produced by Mr Lawrence's Year 4 Intervention group and friends.



Year 4 Etna have tidied up and refreshed their book corner by tracking down sets of books and reuniting them. We have collections of books by Roald Dahl, Arthur Ransom, Lemony Snickett, Eoin Colfer, Enid Blyton, CS Lewis, Cressida Cowell and many more.



Year 4 spent their maths lesson exploring measurement and arrays by planning a daffodil garden. Using these concepts they arranged where the bulbs would go in equal rows and columns reinforcing multiplication skills while linking maths to a real world application













In Fuji Class we are in the festive spirit already and have created Christmas collages.







Ancient Greeks Assembly

The stories were old. The history was ancient. And the jokes... Well done to Year 5 Eryri for their wonderful retelling of the stories of the Trojan horse and the immense, ancient rivalries between the Athenians, Spartans and Persians. We had a lot of fun preparing and performing the show. Parents - thanks for all your support to help put the production together and ensure that all the lines were learnt. We hope you enjoyed the show.











Sport



St Michael's Football Friendly v Channing

On Monday 4th November, several Year 6 pupils went to Channing school for a football friendly against them. The St Michael's football team performed incredibly well, winning several matches against Channing and drawing a couple as well.

On Monday 11th November, some Year 5 pupils took part in friendly football matches at Channing. St Michael's performed incredibly well, winning every match and showing excellent team spirit.





Sport



On Wednesday 13th November, some Year 4 pupils took part in a football festival at Rhodes Avenue. The children played Brook House, Coleridge and Rhodes Avenue. The girls' team won two matches and drew two as well. They performed incredibly well as a team and even encouraged the boys in their matches. The boys' team won several matches and only lost one match. They were sensational! The boys' team and girls' team should both be incredibly proud of how well they performed.





This week has been Anti-Bullying Week, and we've focused on the theme "Choose Respect." This theme encourages students to make positive choices in how they treat others, both in person and online. By choosing respect, we aim to build a supportive and welcoming school environment where everyone feels safe and valued.





USEFUL RESOURCE OF THE MONTH:

Internet Matters

Step by step guide to setting up parental controls on a range of different devices.



SMSA Update



A big thank you to everyone who volunteered and supplied the tasty Friday treats at this week's Children in Need cake sale.

A huge thank you to everyone who made Bonfire Night such a huge success. It was amazing to see everyone coming together to help with the bar, the bonfire and the BBQ. The marshals and our medic keeping everyone safe. The front gate volunteers scanning 800 tickets and the amazingly quick clear up team on Sunday morning! A big thanks also goes to David the caretaker for all his help.

Early figures suggest a profit of around £5200!! Thanks again to local solicitors Streathers for sponsoring this event.

> Important dates for the diary <u>Sunday 8th December Christmas Fair</u>

There is no cake sale next week due to the INSET day.

Have a great weekend! Thanks Vanessa, Charlotte, Philippa and Jeremy



Thank you to all those who donated on Scopay. We have raised over £250 so far! It's not too late to donate, the link is still open.

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The Probationer Choir



We are recruiting!!

We are looking for boys and girls aged 7 and above who enjoy singing to join St Michael's Probationer Choir. We have a lot of fun and sing great music.

We have one short rehearsal each Friday at 6.15pm and sing once a month at the 9.30am service.

For more info please contact: Paul (deanorganist@yahoo.com)



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