



ST MICHAEL'S
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23rd May 2025

WEEKLY ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been a lovely week at St Michael's with a wonderful, nostalgic Year 1 Toy workshop and Year 5's trip to Lauderdale House. Many thanks to the parents for helping out with these events.

The highlight of the week for me though was the World Heritage Day celebrations that have been taking place throughout the school and topped off by our joyful 'festival' on Tuesday.

Thank you so much to all the parents and carers who kindly made such yummy food which was shared amongst us all. Thank you also to all the parents who have been visiting the classes this week to talk to the children about their heritage, culture and customs. The children have really enjoyed learning about all the different countries that make up the St Michael's school family.

Finally a big thank you and well done to Ms Dodzro and the Global Majority parents group who have been planning this week behind the scenes for so long and it was well worth all the hard work!

I hope you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing you on the 2nd June for our final half term of the year!

Best wishes
Sinead O'Brien



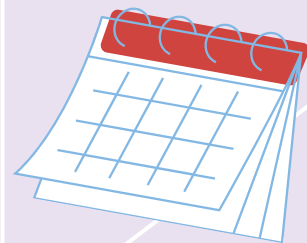
Message from
our
Head of School

*Sinead
O'Brien*





KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY



19th - 23rd May	Walk to School Week
Tue 20th May	World Heritage Day
Wed 21st May	Year 1 History Of Toys Workshop Year 5 Swimming Year 5/6 Athletics Championships
Fri 23rd May	Year 5 Cairngorms trip to Lauderdale House

Mon 26th May - Friday 30th May	Half Term Holiday
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Fri 6th June	Family Assembly Year 2 Everest
Fri 13th June	Family Assembly Year 2 K2
Fri 4th July	Family Assembly Nursery Sugarloaf

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



Summer Dates

Date	Event
Tue 3 rd June	Year 5/6 Girls Cricket at North Middlesex
Wed 4 th June	Year 5/6 Boys Cricket North Middlesex
Thu 5 th June	Year 4 Tennis Tournament at Durnsford Park
Fri 6 th June	Tennis Tournament at New River
Sun 8 th June	SMSA Fun Run - 12-6pm
Mon 9 th June	Year 6 leave for PGL
Fri 13 th June	Year 2 K2 Family Assembly Year 6 back from PGL
Mon 16 th June	Year 3/4 Cricket Mixed Festival at Highgate Cricket Club
Tue 17 th June	JUNIOR SPORTS DAY
Wed 18 th June	Reception Trip to London Zoo
Thu 19 th June	INFANTS SPORTS DAY EYFS 9.00-10.15 KS1 10.30-11.45 Year 5 Wesley workshop in school Year 5/6 Cricket Boys Festival at Highgate Cricket Club
Fri 20 th June	Year 5 Bishop Douglass Football Tournament PGL Assembly - 9am

Summer Dates

Date	Event
Mon 23 rd June	Information Evening for 25/26 Nursery cohort - 5pm
Wed 25 th June	Class Photo Day Information Evening for 25/26 Reception cohort - 5pm
Fri 27 th June	INSET Day - School Closed
Wed 2 nd July	Y6 Secondary Transfer Meeting - 6pm
Thu 3 rd July	Year 5 Highgate Museum
Fri 4 th July	Nursery Sugarloaf Family Assembly - 9am
Sat 5 th July	SMSA Summer Fair
Wed 9 th July	Year 2 Trip to London Zoo
16 th & 17 th July	Year 6 Play
Tue 22 nd July	Leavers Church Service Last Day of Term - 2pm finish
	Summer Holiday
Tue 2 nd Sept	Back to School

Join us on Instagram

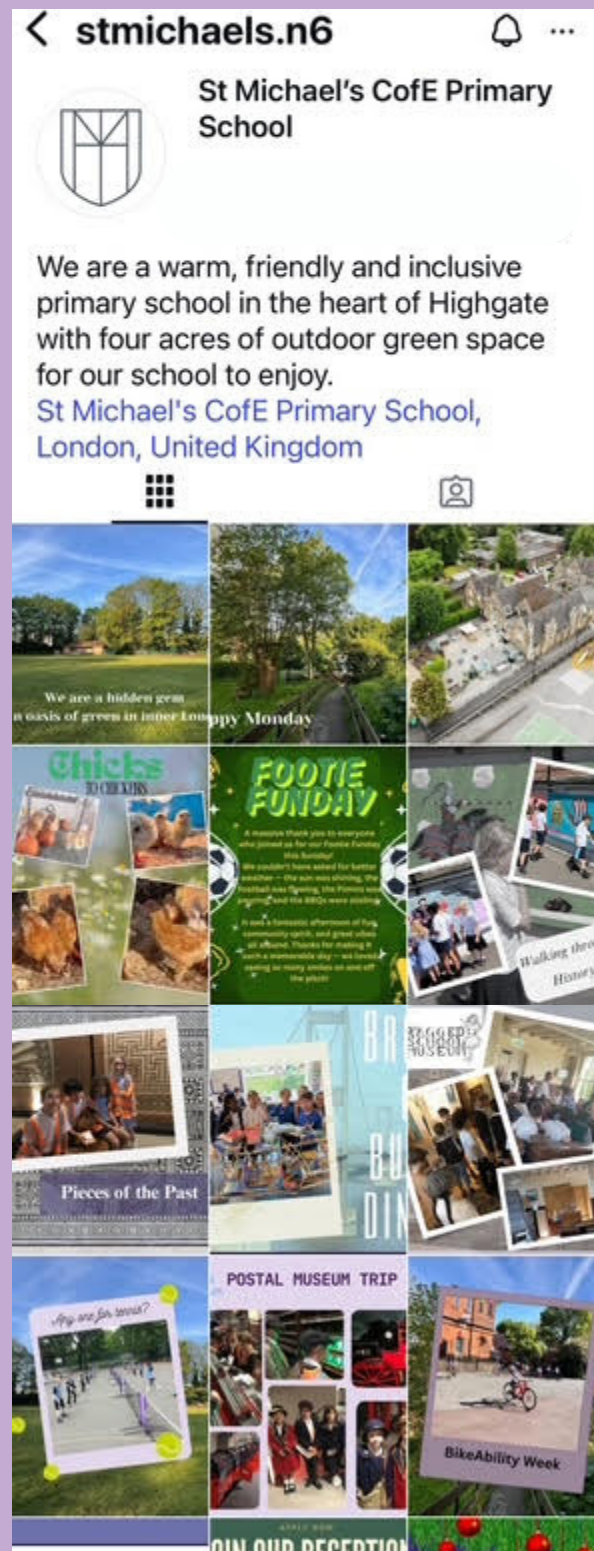
We're excited to invite you to follow our school's official Instagram account!

Stay connected and get a glimpse into your child's school day with updates on classroom activities, school events, student achievements, and more. It's a fun and easy way to be part of our vibrant school community and celebrate our students' growth together.

Follow us today at @stmichaels.n6

Your support helps us build a stronger connection between school and home.

Thank you for being an important part of our journey!



House Points & Attendance

Class House Point Winners

KS1	Y2 K2 295
LKS2	Y3 Toubkal 457
UKS2	Y6 Eiger 293

House Winner

St George
362



Class with the best attendance:

Year3 Kenya
with 98.7%



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

Year 1

Leo &
Persephone

Year 2

Kamil &
Alaina

Year 3

Sierra &
Florence

Year 4

Oliver &
Edwin

Year 5

Astrid
& Amy

Year 6

Amy &
Tate

Please help us to reach our



£62,000

Fundraising goal



£62,000

St Michael's is proud of its academic and extra-curricular excellence, reflected in our Outstanding Ofsted rating.

To maintain this standard, we rely on voluntary contributions via the Learning Fund.

Thanks to your generosity, last year we upgraded the Year 3 and Year 4 toilets.

Our next urgent project is renovating the older, flood-prone Year 1 and Year 2 toilets, which require damp proofing and full replacement. These facilities have served thousands of St Michaels pupils and now need modern, efficient upgrades at a cost of £62,000.

Your continued support is vital to providing the exceptional learning environment our pupils deserve.

Your support makes a difference

Account name: St Michael's School

Type of account: Business

Sort Code: 30-93-80

Account Number: 18691660

Alternatively, you can donate by logging into your child's Scopay account



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Menu



St Michael's

Week 1

Weekly menu



Monday

Cheese & Tomato Pizza With Garlic Bread

Veggie Chilli with Rice

Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings

Salad Selection

Coleslaw /Peas

Ice Cream With Sliced Seasonal Fruit

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Tuesday

Beef Bolognaise Served with Penne Pasta

Lentil & Vegetable Bolognaise Served with Penne Pasta

Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings

Tomato soup and cheese baguette

Garlic Greens Carrots

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Wednesday

Roast Turkey Served with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Vegetable Pinwheel Served with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings

Carrot and coriander soup with a ham baguette

Green Beans Cauliflower

Jelly with Fresh Fruit

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Thursday

Chicken Korma Served with Rice

Vegetable Korma Served with Rice

Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings

Chicken noodle soup with cheese baguette

Sweetcorn /Carrots

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

Friday

Fish Fingers with Tomato Sauce & Chips

Veggie Fingers with Tomato Sauce & Chips

Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings

Salad Selection

Peas/ Baked Beans

Chocolate Shortbread

Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt

HARRISON
food with thought



**As half term arrives
Remember two things**

- 1. Don't forget to get making your birthday cards for the Harrison competition(there's a prize if you win).**
- 2. Most importantly have fun this half term**

Chef Mickey

School attendance

Every day at school counts. The evidence is clear - even a few days of missed school can have a significant impact on a child's education and future prospects.

Children who miss school may:

- fall behind with their work**
- not perform as well in exams**

By law, children aged 5 to 16 must receive a suitable full-time education.

It's up to you as a parent or guardian to make sure they attend regularly.

The school have the legal power to issue a penalty if your child does not go to school regularly.

Help with attendance

If your child is struggling to go to school, here are some ways to help them:

- make sure they understand the importance of going to school**
- discuss problems they may have and let school know about anything serious**
- do not let them take time off school for minor problems**
- arrange appointments and outings outside of school hours**



World Heritage Day

We want to say a huge thank you to everyone that volunteered for World Heritage Day, whether that was cooking for the event, volunteering to come and speak to the class or supporting in any other way. It was great to see everyone come together as a community to celebrate different heritages.

Each of the year groups was given a country to learn about for World Heritage Week, They had to learn about that country and then produce something that represents a part of that country.

The children produced some fantastic work!

It was great to see all the children and staff dressed up to celebrate their culture! The children really enjoyed getting to know where their classmates and the teachers are from.

Thank you for your support!



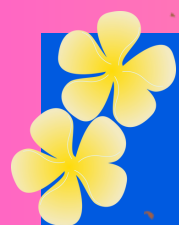


Nursery

In Nursery we are learning all about Japan for World Heritage Day.

We all made art inspired by the Japanese artist Yasoi Kusama which will be displayed for all to see.





Reception



The children in Uluru have had a wonderful week exploring their different heritages and learning new languages!

The wonderful Oopsie spoke to the class about her heritage and where she was from in Thailand. Oopsie taught the children how to write simple words in Thai, such as mum, dad, hello and goodbye. She also taught the children how to say the different phrases.

We also had a parent volunteer to come in to share their heritage, and the wonders of Cyprus. They taught the children about the rich heritage and history of Cyprus, and explored the Greek language. The children were even given a taste of the traditional food!

The children really enjoyed learning about all the different cultures, heritages, and languages that are shared around the world.





Reception



We've loved learning about Malay food and culture.

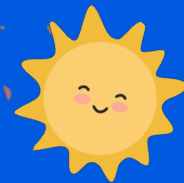
The children learnt about endangered animals in Borneo, specifically orangutans and how some orphan babies go to school to learn how to live in the wild.

We made our own orangutan plates, using our handprints for the face.





Reception



For our topic of traditional tales this week the children made up their own fairy tales. Our cooks this week made fairy cakes to link in with the topic.

The cooks were all boys this week who compared their muscles when mixing all of the ingredients together so vigorously.

When the cakes were cooked we decorated them with icing sugar and sprinkles. The children enjoyed eating them at snack time and delivered some extra cakes to some of the teachers in the school



Reception



Machu Picchu were lucky enough to have a visit from police officers who spoke about their job and the equipment they need to help people. The children enjoyed asking lots of questions and passing around their hat and handcuffs.





Year 1



This term, Year 1 has been diving into the history of toys! They had the fantastic opportunity to take part in a toy workshop, where they could touch, feel, and play with historical toys from various eras, including the Victorian period. With the help of our lovely parent volunteers, they even crafted their own selection of toys. What a brilliant day!



Year 2

For World Heritage Day Year 2 Everest have been learning all about Argentina. They wrote travel guide leaflets in English and learnt about Welsh settlers in Patagonia. For their significant person, Everest class chose the late Pope Francis.

They made portraits of Francis inspired by the work of Andy Warhol.



Year 2

In K2 we learned all about Columbia. We looked at some of the major cities and the various carnivals and celebrations. In addition we learned about Shakira, listening to her music and drawing her portrait. We produced fact sheets about Columbia, and created some carnival masks.



Year 2

In between finishing off their KS1 SATs assessments Year 2 have been learning all about what plants need to germinate and grow.

We tried growing several different plants to varying degrees of success.

Our beans didn't grow but our tomatoes (grown from a cut up tomato) have done quite well.



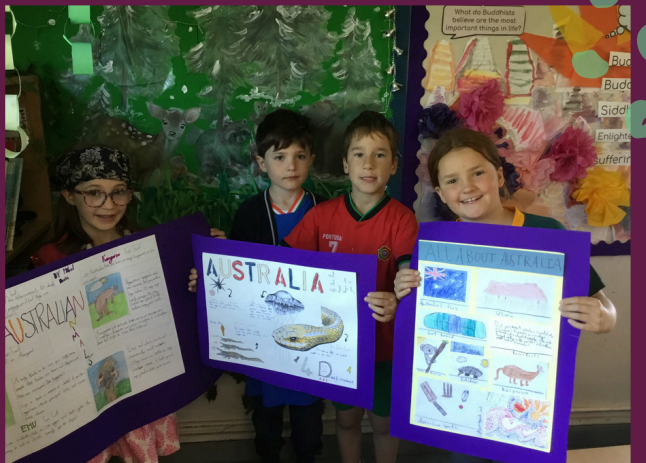
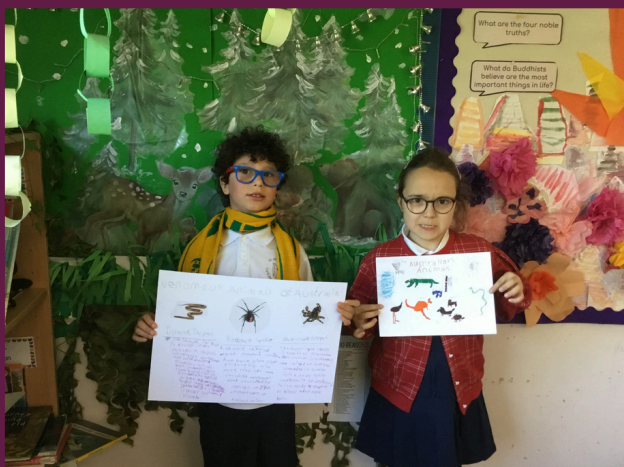
Year 3

This week, Year 3 have created art pieces based on the Australian artist Emily Kame Kngwarreye. Here are our incredible pieces of art.



Year 3

Year 3 were inspired by the work of Emily Kame Kngwarreye to create these stunning abstract paintings. Kngwarreye was an aboriginal Australian artist inspired by her landscape and culture. She started painting when she was in her seventies and produced over 3000 works before her death at age 86.





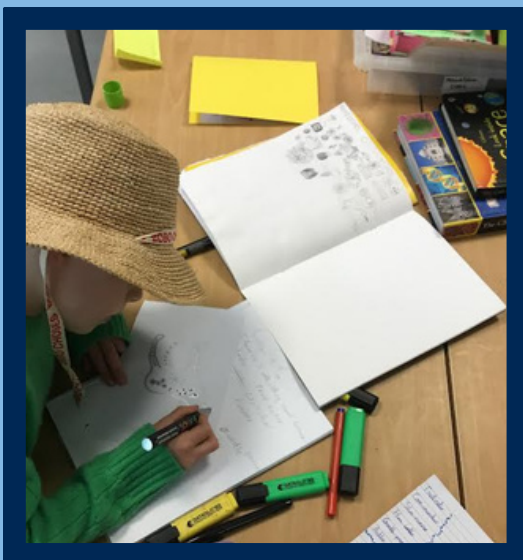
Year 3

For World Heritage Day, many Year 3 children created an information poster about Australia. Some made the poster about Australia in general, whilst others chose to focus on a specific topic such as animals, landmarks, sport or an Australian person that they admire.



Year 4

This week we have been learning about Scandinavian folk art which includes motifs inspired by nature. We linked our learning to Greta Thunberg who is a significant person from Sweden, she is an activist who inspires use to think careful about nature and our planet.



Year 4

Every day at 3pm a small group of children from Year 4 visit Reception and Nursery to read them a short story.

This helps build confidence and oracy skills and it is good for the younger children to see the older children showing off their reading skills.





Year 5



**In celebration of World Heritage Day, Year 5
focused on Japan.**

**We had a great time exploring Hokusai's famous
piece, "The Great Wave," and using collage
techniques with all sorts of materials to create
our own interpretations.**

**We also carried out our own research to learn
more about this amazing country!**



Year 5

Junior Road Watch

Today, we met some Police Officers. They told us we would be measuring people's speed. Wearing high-vis jackets, we went outside onto North Road. We crossed the road and one of the policemen gave us the speed gun. We used the speed gun to see if drivers were going over 20mph. If they were, the police would stop them and we asked some questions like “Why were you speeding?” or “Do you know the risks of speeding?”

Everyone had 2 turns, and then we went back to school with a keyring to remember the day .

By Lukas and Fred, Year 5 Cairngorms



Year 6

In Year 6 we the country we focused on was the United States of America - specifically New York City in the 1930s.

We researched a variety of important topics: The Great Depression, Prohibition and the Art Deco movement. The children created non-chronological reports on the President of the time, Herbert Hoover, and created a New York Skyline as pictured.



Year 6

Matterhorn were absolute champions at Footie Fun Day, winning both the UKS2 football trophy and the Netball trophy.

Here's Caitlin, Nia and Aiden talking about their experience on the day:

Netball was very exciting. We scored many goals and beat all of the other teams in KS2!! It was nice to see how everyone worked together as a team. Always remember: 'teamwork is the dream work'.

The football team won out of 4 teams! We scored lots of goals and worked well as a team. We powered through all the matches and we loved every second of it. We laughed, we played and we WON!



Sports

On Friday 16th May, St Michael's hosted three Year 6 football tournaments at Barnet Powerleague. These were a boys' tournament, a girls' tournament and a mixed tournament.

There were 8 schools involved: St Michael's, Channing, Coleridge, St Joseph's, St Gildas, Rhodes Avenue, Eden and St Mary's.

St Michael's performed well in all three events, with their best result being second in the boys' tournament. This was a fantastic day and the children should be very proud of themselves.



Sports

On Tuesday 20th May, some Year 4 pupils went to represent St Michael's at the Quad Kids tournament organised by Haringey, at New River.

The children put in a huge amount of effort and did really well. They should be very proud of themselves. The Year 4 St Michael's team expressed how much fun they had and have already discussed how they want to do even better in the next Quad Kids tournament. Well done team!



Sports

On Thursday 22nd May, APS came to St Michael's to play some friendly football matches against Year 4. There were boys' matches, girls' matches and mixed matches. We won several games, lost one and drew one. Well done to Year 4 for their incredible performance!



Sports

On Wednesday 21st May, some pupils from Year 6 took part in Haringey's athletics championships. Events included the howler, shot put, running long jump, standing triple jump, 100m, 200m, 800m, 1500m and 4x100m.

The children had a wonderful day at New River and supported each other throughout the day





SMSA Update

Thank you to year 4 Etna Class for this week's cake sale extravaganza!

A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered for Footie Funday and made it such a huge success.

A massive thank you to Mr Ronchetti and Active Day Camps for being the most amazing referees and making the matches run smoothly and keeping everything professional and efficient.

Thank you to Ed Costello for coming in at the last minute to organise all the football and netball matches, the trophies and medals and even introducing the sudden death penalties! You are our hero!

We really appreciate everyone giving their time to support this event.

The Fun Run information is now available on Classlist and via your class reps, so please make sure you check in with them about what you could do support your class on the day.

All this information is available in detail on Classlist so please make sure you have joined so that you don't miss anything!

Important Dates



Sunday 8th June – Fun Run

Saturday – 5th July – Summer Fair

Friday 6th June – Cake Sale Year 6 Eiger Class



Have a great half term!

Vanessa, Charlotte, Philippa and Jeremy

FOOTIE FUNDAY

A massive thank you to everyone who joined us for
Footie Funday on Sunday. It was a fantastic
afternoon of fun community spirit and great vibes
all round.

Reception winners Uluru

Year 1 V Year 2 winners Everest

Year 3 V Year 4 winners Etna

Year 5 V Year 6 netball winners Matterhorn

Year 5 V Year 6 football winners Matterhorn



Nut-Free Parent Notice



Important Reminder for Parents & Caregivers Keeping Our School Safe for All Children

To protect students with life-threatening allergies, our school is a nut-free environment.
Some children can have severe reactions even from trace amounts of nuts.

Please do NOT send food containing:

- Peanuts or peanut butter
- Tree nuts (almonds, cashews, walnuts, etc)
- Nut-based spreads (Nutella, almond butter, etc)
- Foods labelled “may contain nuts” or “processed in a facility with nuts”



Please also be mindful of other serious allergies some children have, including:



Dairy

(milk, cheese, yoghurt, etc)



Eggs



Soy



Sesame



Shellfish
or fish

How can you support a safe environment?



- Carefully read all food labels when packing snacks or lunches
- Avoid sending homemade baked goods unless cleared with staff
- Teach your child not to share food
- Make sure your child washes their hands before and after eating



*Your cooperation makes a huge difference in protecting vulnerable students.
Thank you for helping us create a safe, inclusive, and caring school community.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please
contact the school office or your child's teacher.





DESIGN A BIRTHDAY CARD COMPETITION!



All Harrison Catering employees receive a birthday card, personally signed by our Chairman, Geoffrey Harrison.

We'd like you to design a birthday card which has a food theme, taking our values of healthy, home-cooked food, using fresh ingredients into consideration.

Applications are welcomed from children in the following age categories:

4-7 years old

8-11 years old

12-18 years old

****Prizes****

The winning pupil will receive an entry prize for a family of four to a UK theme park and copies of their winning design printed cards.

In addition, the winning school will receive a trophy, a smoothie bike for the day and nutrition education sessions for pupils, either in the classroom or during assembly.

**** Design Guidelines ****

The card can be created using digital media or on A4-size paper, with materials such as paint, crayons, pencils or collages.

**** How to Enter ****

Please write the child's name, age and school on the back of the design, which must be submitted by Friday 6th June 2025.

Designs can be given to your Harrison Catering Manager Client Services or emailed to communications@harrisoncatering.co.uk. Alternatively, you can send them to:

Birthday Card Competition
c/o Communications Department
Harrison Catering Services, Oxford House, Oxford Road, Thame, OX9 2AH

Good luck!



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14.30 KS2 On Pond Square Stage

15.30 KS1 on St Michael's Stage

Volunteers needed for Highgate Fair in the Square 2025

Highgate Fair in the Square is one of the highlights of the Highgate Summer calendar when friends and neighbours come together in the village for a fun day out. The event is free and takes place thanks to a team of volunteers.

The 2025 Fair in the Square is taking place on **Saturday 7th June and the Fair Organising Committee is seeking volunteers to help on the day. If you are able to spare an hour or two on the day to help with setting up, general stewarding or clearing up at the end of the day please get in touch as soon as possible. It's a wonderful way to be part of a great community event and these amazing events only happen with the help of volunteers.**

**If you can help please email Caroline at
thefairinthesquare@gmail.com**



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SUMMER DATES:

MONDAY 7TH JULY - FRIDAY 29TH AUG

7 - 11 JULY	UCS ACTIVE, HAMPSTEAD
14 - 18 JULY	KING ALFRED, GOLDERS GREEN
21 - 25 JULY	HAMPSTEAD HILL, BELSIZE PARK
28 - 1 AUG	ST. MICHAEL'S, HIGHGATE
4 - 8 AUG	IVY HOUSE, GOLDERS GREEN
11 - 15 AUG	BREAK
18 - 22 AUG	HAMPSTEAD PAROCHIAL, HAMPSTEAD
26 - 29 AUG	HAMPSTEAD PAROCHIAL, HAMPSTEAD



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&

SUMMER HOLIDAY
JULY 7TH - AUG 29TH

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