



2nd May 2025

WEEKLY ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely week and enjoyed the sunshine? The pupils have really made the most of their time outdoors this week and it was great to see Year 2 playing on the field and enjoying the space at lunchtime!

Well done to the Year 4 pupils who have taken part in the BikeAbility sessions this week, it looked like a lot of fun and you certainly had the weather for it!

Year 5 enjoyed a trip to The Ragged School Museum and they definitely looked the part, I think lots of the pupils were glad that Victorian schools are a thing of the past!

We were delighted to welcome Saskia Joss into school this morning to celebrate the launch of her new book. It is always a pleasure listening to Saskia and I know as a parent, I find her insights and tips invaluable.

I hope you all have a sunny long weekend and look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday.

**Best wishes
Sinead O'Brien**

Let us pray
Dear Lord,

As we step into this long weekend, may your sunshine bring us joy.
Let laughter and love fill our hearts, guiding us to cherish these precious moments together.

Amen.

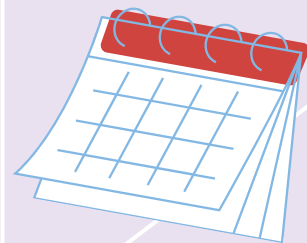


Message from
our
Head of School

*Sinead
O'Brien*



KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY



Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday
Wed 7th May	Year 5 Swimmming
Thurs 8th May	Year 4 Etna only - Trumpet and Clarinet Concert 2.30pm Infant Hall
Fri 9th May	Family Assembly
Tues 13th May	Year 3 Trip to Verulamium
Fri 16th May	Barnet Powerleague Tournament Year 6 Family Assembly
Sun 18th May	Footy Fun Day 12-5pm

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



House Points & Attendance

Class House Point Winners

KS1

Y2 Everest
328

LKS2

Y3 Toubkal
722

UKS2

Y6 Matterhorn
350

House Winner

St Patrick
497



Class with the best attendance:

Year 1 Aoraki
with 98.8%



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

Year 1

Amara
& Eleanor

Year 2

Frankie &
Zacharias

Year 3

Angela,
Ada &
Philippa

Year 4

Fred &
Ivy

Year 5

Asia &
Kaiden

Year 6

Edward
& Sol

Menu

St Michael's C of E Primary School - Week

Three

Spring/Summer 2025	Week 3			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Roasted Vegetable Ragu Pasta(wheat) with Garlic Bread (wheat,egg,soya,milk)	Minced Beef quesadilla(wheat) with Rice	Oven Baked Sausages(sulphates) Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Curry with Rice	Fish Finger(wheat) with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Pasta Primavera(wheat) with Garlic Bread (wheat,egg,soya,milk)	Roasted Vegetable quesadilla(wheat) with Rice	Oven Baked Veggie Sausages(wheat) Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Aloo Gobi with Rice	Veggie Fingers(wheat) with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Jacket Potatoes with Various fillings	Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings	Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings	Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings	Jacket Potatoes with Various Fillings
Salad Selection	Tomato soup and cheese baguette(wheat, milk)	Carrot and coriander soup with a ham baguette(wheat)	Chicken noodle soup (wheat)with cheese baguette(wheat)	Salad Selection
Peas & Coleslaw(egg)	Carrots Green Beans	Broccoli Cauliflower	Sweetcorn Carrots	Peas Baked Beans
Ice Cream(milk) with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt(milk)	Jelly with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Fresh Fruit Platter/Yogurt(milk)	Lemon Shortbread(wheat)
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This week let talk about chives

Chives are a herb but are related to onions and garlic. They also grow from a bulb but we only eat the long thin stems.

Chives can be easily grown at home, on a windowsill or in the garden.

Why don't you try it yourself.

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.

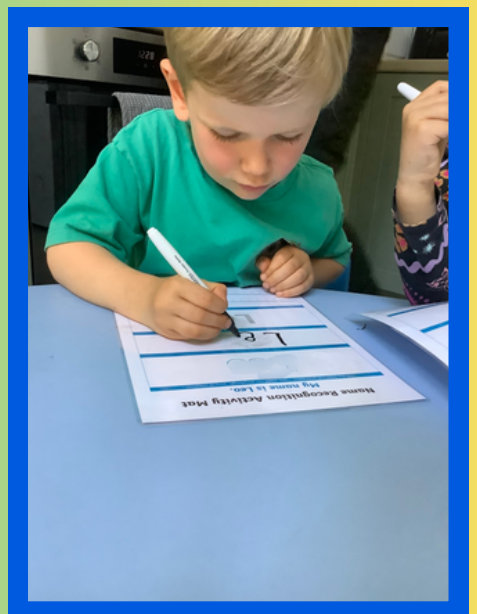
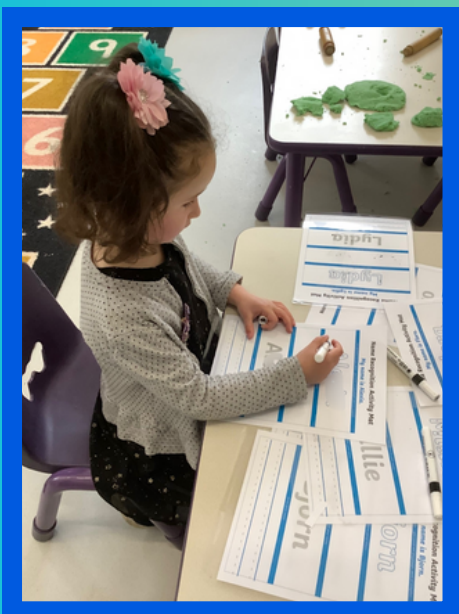
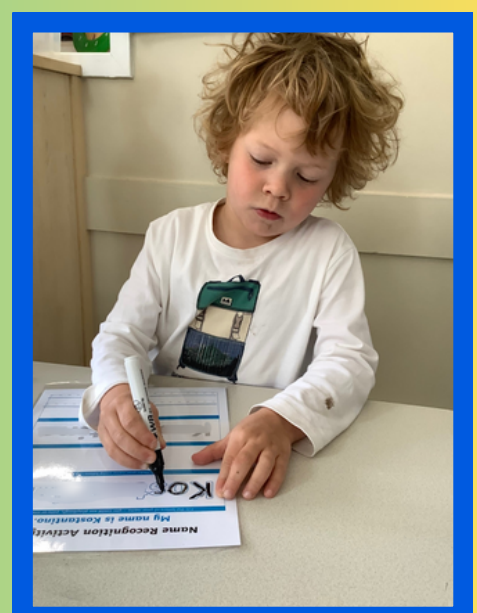
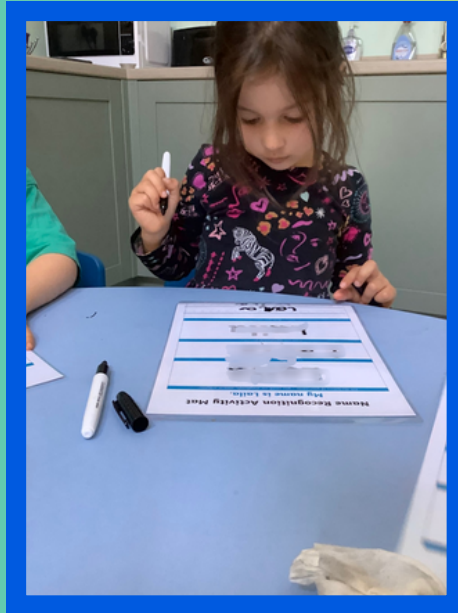
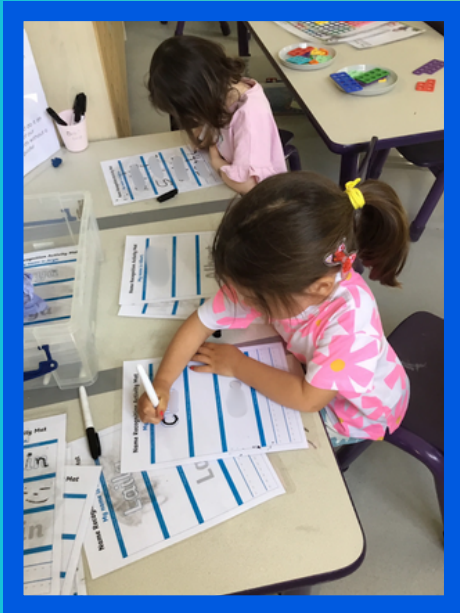
Help with attendance

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**

Nursery

This week in the Nursery the children have begun practicing writing their names.



Reception

This week the cooks made Cowboy Bean Bake.

They did a great job of chopping the onions.

We then fried them and added chopped tomatoes, baked beans, kidney beans, sausages, cannellini beans, mustard and brown sugar. We also made a vegetarian version.

The cowboys and cowgirls ate them all up at snack time.

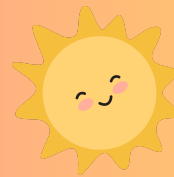




Reception



We've been taking advantage of the beautiful weather by using the field for PE. They loved racing round the track and playing 'stuck in the mud'.



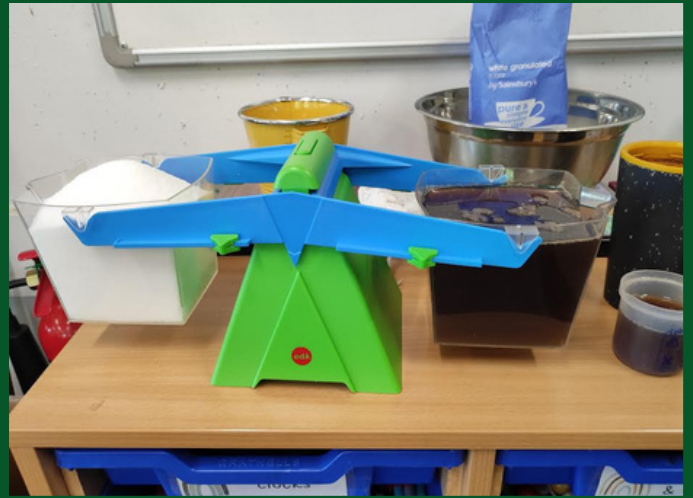
Year 1

This week in Maths Year 1 have dived into the world of money, learning about different coin values and putting their knowledge to the test by sorting items by price. Meanwhile, in Topic, they've been exploring the history of toys, using Venn diagrams to compare and contrast toys from different time eras.



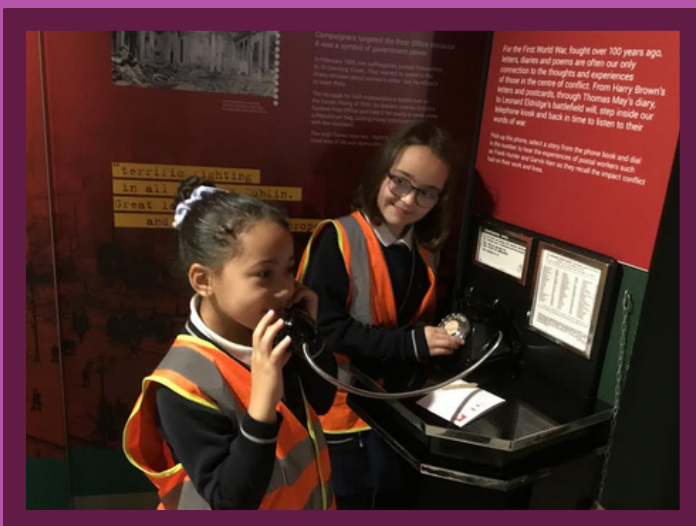
Year 2

This week, Year 2 have been measuring volume and capacity. Last week we were measuring mass. We proved that a litre of water (coloured with tea) is almost equal to a kilogram.



Year 3

Year 3 went on a fantastic trip to the Postal Museum. We explored the Postal Museum exhibition and took a ride on the Mail Rail train, which went underground and learned that they had to dig down 40 metres to build the tunnels! and showed how mail was once delivered. Finally, we took part in science experiments and tested technologies that were used to power the postal network under London.



Year 3



Year 4

Over the last four days Year 4 have been doing BikeAbility.

They have learned and practiced balancing, braking, accelerating and turning. Some children have even been riding with one hand!

In Year 4 children complete the two day Level 1 course, which is about controlling a bike off the road. In Year 5 they progress to complete the four day Level 2 course which involves cycling on the road.



Year 4

It's time to get out onto the track and field. In Year 4 this term, we are developing our sprinting and distance running skills on the track. On the field we have been learning to do standing long jumps and throwing howlers as far as we can.



Year 4

Year 4 Fuji have been making travel adverts for Iceland with the iPads on iMovie.

Here are some photos of the students working on their adverts



Year 5

In Year 5 we have been studying bridges. Over a course of three lessons we researched, designed and built truss bridges which had to span a gap of 2 meters. The children learned about how triangles are a key shape in engineering because they contain relatively few points of failure. The children all had jobs and built their bridges in 60 minutes. By testing the bridges with weights they learned how one point of weakness can lead to the whole bridge collapsing! The winning bridge in Cairngorms class held approximately 20kg which is a great achievement. All of the children did extremely well.



Year 5

In Year 5, we have been looking at angles. Angles are very important when you are giving each other directions. We had a practical go at this in the playground, using the points of the compass as well. We made up riddles and our friends tried to follow our directions. For example - I am standing in front of the climbing frame. I just turned 225 degrees anti-clockwise. Where did I start?





SMSA Update

Thank you to Year 2 Everest Class for supplying the tasty treats at this week's cake sale

Thank you so much to everyone who attended the SMSA meeting on Tuesday Evening.

Lots of information was circulated and discussed and the minutes from the meeting will be shared on Classlist.

Footie Funday is coming up really soon and class reps will be sharing all the necessary information with you via your WhatsApp groups. Please volunteer for a slot if you are able to help as these events can only be run if lots of people help out ! It's a great day and lots of fun for both children and parents.

Information will also be sent to you about the Fun Run on 8th June. This is an amazing event and also

relies on the volunteers, so please let your reps know if you can help !

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 18th May- Footie and Netball Funday – Please try not to schedule Birthday Parties on this date!

Sunday 8th June – Fun Run

Saturday – 5th July – Summer Fair

Next weeks cake sale is Year 1 Denali

Have a great weekend !

Vanessa, Charlotte, Philippa and Jeremy



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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Year 3 to
Year 6

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