



# WEEKLY ROUNDUP

## NEWSLETTER

**Dear Parents & Carers,**

**I hope you have all had a great week?**

**This time of year always brings a special kind of magic to school, with snippets of Christmas carols filling the air and pupils beginning to buzz with excitement about the upcoming nativity performances. It is a truly wonderful time to be part of a primary school, and it looks as though you are all in for a lovely Christmas treat from your children this year.**

**Next week is Wellbeing Week at St Michael's for both pupils and staff, and we have lots of enjoyable activities planned, including Flamenco dancing, which we are sure will bring lots of smiles from pupils and staff alike!**

**During this week, I will be encouraging staff to leave school earlier than they usually would and to limit the number of meetings and emails they manage. While this season is full of joy and excitement, it is also incredibly busy and can be very tiring, so it is important that everyone has the opportunity to recharge before the nativity season is fully underway.**

**We would be grateful if all members of our parent community could be mindful next week of the number of emails sent and the requests made of staff during this important wellbeing period. Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated.**

**I hope you have a lovely weekend**

**Best wishes**

**Sinead O'Brien**

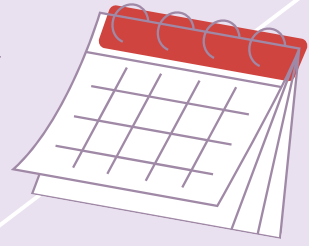


Message from  
our  
Head of School

*Sinead  
O'Brien*



# KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY



**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Dec**

**St Andrews Day  
Non-uniform for pupils in  
St Andrews House**

**Tues 2nd Dec**

**Year 5 & 6 Alexandra Palace Ice Skating  
Show**

**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec**

**Year 4 Swimming**

**Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**Clarinet and Trumpet Concert  
for Year 4 - 2.45pm KS1 hall**

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**Christmas Fair 12pm\* - 3pm\***



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



# KEY DATES

# AUTUMN TERM



Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Dec

KS1 Nativity to Parents 9.30am

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec

KS1 Nativity to Parents 9.30am  
EYFS Nativity - Highgate Nursery to parents  
1.30pm

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>  
Dec

Year 1 Trip to the Postal Museum  
Year 3 Trip to Natural History Museum  
EYFS Nativity 9.30am to Tufnell Park Parents  
Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

EYFS Nativity 9.30am to Archway Parents

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Dec



Christmas Lunch

Thur 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

Church Service led by Year 5

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec

**2pm Finish**

Christmas holiday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 4<sup>th</sup> Jan

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jan

**BACK TO SCHOOL**

# House Points & Attendance

## House Winner

St Andrew  
260



Class with the best attendance:

**Year 4 Tower Hill**

with 99.6%



**Reception**

Aris &  
Agnes

**Year 1**

Arya  
&  
Hudson

**Year 2**

Arlo &  
Mhalik

**Year 3**

Florence  
& Isobel

**Year 4**

Paul  
& Rose

**Year 5**

London  
& Charlie

**Year 6**

Oscar &  
Evelyn

***On Monday 1st December,  
St. Michael's is celebrating  
St. Andrew's Day.***

***This is a non-uniform day for all  
children in St. Andrew's House  
(Blue Dojo Monsters).***

***Children of countries where  
St. Andrew is the patron saint  
may also wear national dress if  
they wish.***

***All other children should wear  
school uniform as usual.***

***They will have the chance to  
celebrate their House saint later  
in the year.***





# Menu



St Michael's C of E Primary School - Week Two



## Weekly menu

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

**St  
Andrews  
Day  
Menu**

*Chicken Korma with Rice*

*Chicken Sausage Roll with Seasoned Potato Wedges*

*Beef Bolognaise with Penne pasta*

*Fish Fingers or Salmon Fishcake with Tomato Sauce & Chips*

*Chickpea & Vegetable Pakora served with Tomato Chutney*

*Cheddar Cheese & Leek Pinwheel with Seasoned Potato Wedges*

*Vegetable Bolognaise with Penne pasta*

*Falafel Bites with Sweet Chilli Dip & Chips*

*Jacket Potato with Beans & Cheese*

*Jacket Potato with Baked Beans*

*Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese*

*Jacket Potato with BBQ Style Vegetable Pieces*

*Naan Style Bread*

*Wholemeal / White*

*Wholemeal / White Bread*

*Wholemeal / White Bread*

*Peas / Cauliflower*

*Vegetable Medley*

*Oven Roast Courgettes / Sweetcorn*

*Broccoli / Baked Beans*

*Fruit & Yoghurt*

*Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce*

*Lemon Sponge with Custard*

*Fruit & Yoghurt*

Available daily

Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

**HARRISON**  
food with thought



*This week on Monday we have a special  
St Andrews Day lunch  
featuring  
Mince beef pie  
Vegetable pie  
Carrot and swede mash  
And a cranachan for dessert.*





**Get your jingle on!**

**Join us for Christmas Jumper Day on  
11<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Wear your silliest sparkliest or snuggliest  
Christmas jumper and make a donation to**

**Save the Children**

**Lets spread laughter and joy this Christmas**

**[Click here to donate](#)**





# Nursery



This week in Nursery we have started to prepare for the Christmas celebrations. The children engaged in making festive patterns using stencils and sponges. They have also been painting boxes green for something we are creating for the whole class....keep watch next week for what they will become!





# Reception



This week for our story, 'Stickman', the children made their own stickmen and re-enacted the story together.





# Reception



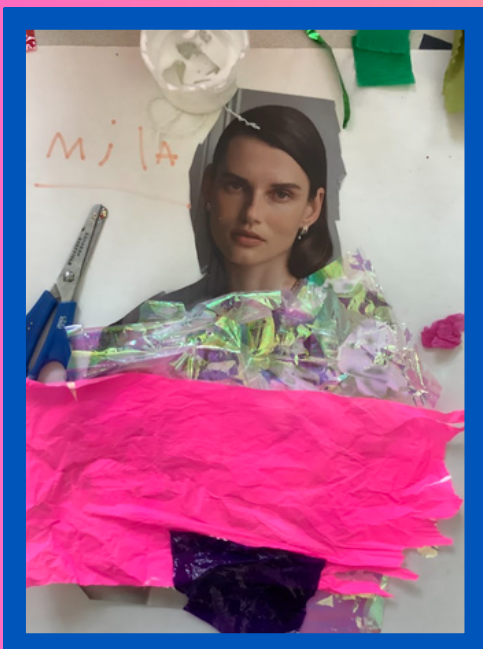
**This week in Archway Class,  
Christmas has arrived!**

**Our Christmas tree is up and the  
children helped to decorate it with all  
the colourful lights and ornaments.**



# Reception

Not only have Archway class been creating Christmas magic this week, they have turned into part-time fashion designers! The children have been using different collage materials to create clothes for magazine models.





# Night Owls



**In Night Owls this week, we had a fierce competition of Hungry Hippos and did some baking in the kitchen!**

**We also made a Taiwanese inspired pineapple cake!**





# Year 1



Last week Friday, Year 1 Westminster had a very special P.E. lesson as they were taught gymnastics by the Year 4's.

The Year 4's introduced the younger children to the four fundamental positions in gymnastics. They demonstrated patience, strong teaching skills, and made sure the Year 1's felt comfortable and safe throughout the session. Westminster showed resilience, endurance, and excellent listening skills!





# Year 1



This week, Year 1 dived into story sequencing!

They teamed up to sort story illustrations into the right order and then used what they learned to create fantastic story maps of their own.



# Year 2

It's not all glitz and glamour in Year 2 and this week the children have been putting in the hard yards.

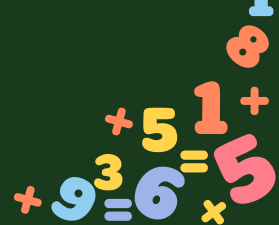
In between rehearsing for the KS1 Nativity, this week has been Assessment Week. The children have been fantastic role models for our Gospel Value of Endurance.

Ms. Mukhtar, Mr. Yeomans and Mr. Davenport have all been impressed by the children's hard work.

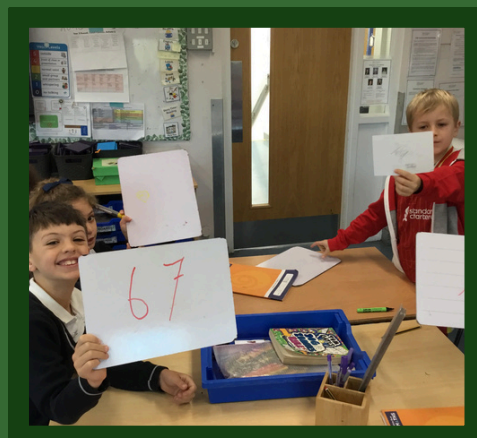
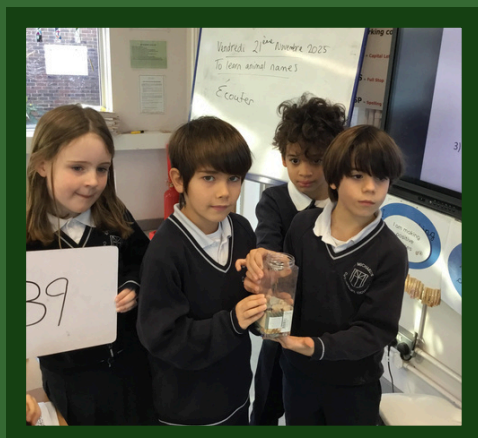
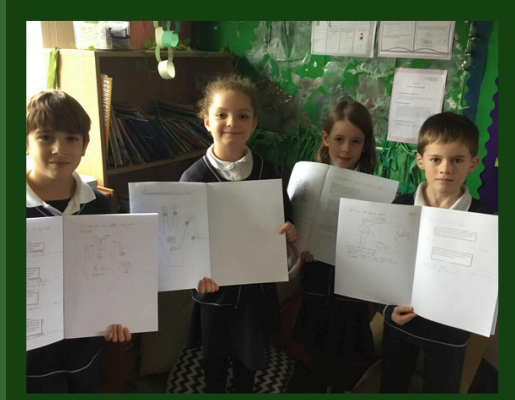
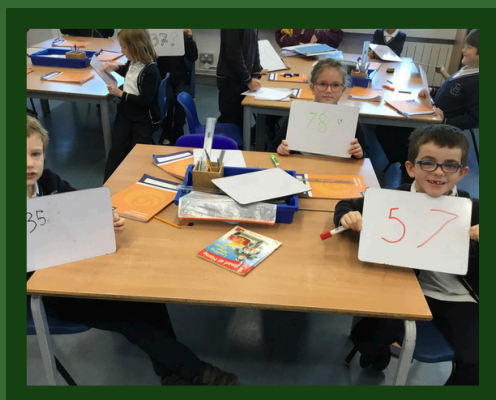
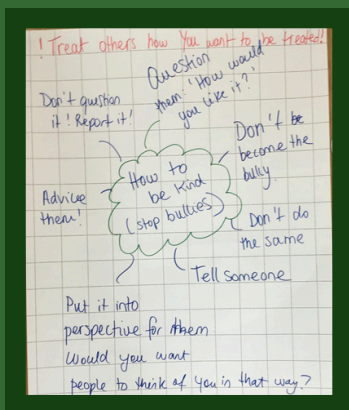




# Year 3



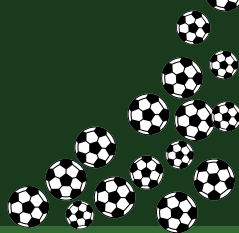
This week in Maths, Year 3 have been busy challenging themselves with estimating numbers. We have been learning how to make sensible estimates without working out the exact answer - a valuable life skill that helps us make quick decisions in real situations, like shopping or planning time.



# Year 3

Year 3 love playing football, whatever the weather.

This term, they've been excelling at dribbling, ball control and shooting.



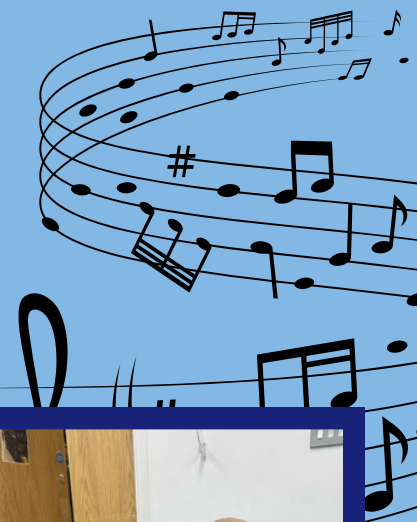


# Year 4



In addition to working hard during assessment week, the Year 4's have been working equally hard on practicing their instruments in anticipation of their first respective WCIT concerts.

Tower Hill performed with string instruments to parents and Year 3 students on Thursday, while Moorgate have been busy rehearsing for their trumpet and clarinet concerts for next Thursday. They have made fantastic progress and had a lot of fun!



# Year 4





# Year 5



Year 5 have been really enjoying their Tennis topic this term, despite the chilly temperatures.

We've been developing a wide array of strokes - ground strokes, volleys and underarm serving - to help us play longer and longer rallies.



# Year 6

This week, our Year 6 students have been showcasing their dedication and endurance as they tackle their assessments. It's inspiring to see our students applying themselves so diligently. These assessments are not just a measure of their knowledge but also an opportunity for them to demonstrate their growth and resilience. We are incredibly proud of all our Year 6 students. Keep up the great work!



# SMSA Update



**Thank you to Year 1 Westminster class for a spectacular cake sale!**

**Christmas Fair information has been circulated to class reps so please make sure you have all the necessary information about your class stall and all the donations that will be collected in the next couple of weeks.**

**If you have any questions, please let us know!**

**Santas Grotto tickets are now sold out !**

**Christmas Cards/Mugs etc have been given to class teachers today. Please check in your child's bag when they get home !**

Dates for the diaries:

**Christmas Fair -Sunday 7th December  
Sponsored by Steather's Solicitors**



**Next week's cake sale is Year 6 Brompton Road .**



**Have a great weekend**

**Vanessa, Charlotte, Philippa and Jeremy**





## Free 11+ Preparation and KS2 learning support

We're pleased to let you know that St Michael's School has partnered with Atom Learning, the leading Key Stage 2 learning and 11+ preparation website, to provide free KS2 learning to primary school children who are eligible for Pupil Premium.

Eligible students will receive access to Atom Home for free (normally £575.90 a year).

There is a 5-day free trial of Atom available for non-PP families.

### What is Atom Home?

Atom Home is an online learning and exam preparation platform for ages 7-11.

Covering English, maths, verbal reasoning and non-verbal reasoning, children can practise 11+ questions and explore learning resources, mock tests, video tutorials, and exam preparation materials.

Do you know someone who is eligible?

If you know someone whose child is preparing for the 11+, or is in need of extra Key Stage 2 learning support (they do not need to be attending St Michael's School), please share this link with them:

<https://atomlearning.com/pupil-premium/primary-schools>

After completing the form on this page, their primary school will receive a notification to verify their pupil premium eligibility. Once confirmed by their school, their Atom Home account will be created.

Sinead O'Brien  
St Michael's School

**Join us for**

**Messy  
Christingle  
Service**

**Date: 14/12/2025**

**Time: 4-6:00 pm**

**Family Friendly  
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South Grove, London N6 6BJ



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# Christmas Day Nativity 10AM

**TAKE PART IN OUR AMAZING NATIVITY!**

**Is your child aged 3+? Do you plan to come to Church on Christmas morning? Everyone welcome!**

**The rehearsals are on 14th & 21st December 12:30 - 2 pm for the performance at 10am on Christmas morning.**

**Please scan the QR Code here to sign up or email [simon.peter@stmichaelshighgate.org](mailto:simon.peter@stmichaelshighgate.org)**

Scan Me



South Grove, London N6 6BJ

# Carols

in Pond Square

Wednesday 10th December

6.30pm

Mulled wine and festive fare at the

Highgate Society, 10A South Grove



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# Reunite

## Welcome to your lost property!

Many lost items are left outside and quickly become wet or soiled by foxes. Once the items are placed into the green lost property bins, it leaves searching through them undesirable.

The team collects, launders and lists all lost **uniform** items every Sunday on Classlist. The following week, all **named** items are distributed directly back to your child in their classroom.

Please don't try to collect from the school office.

**Unnamed** lost property can be claimed in the comment box, below the weekly Classlist post. Collection is the following Friday in the top playground, at the donations table (8.40-9am).

All lost property remains lost property until it's either: claimed, donated to St. Michael's Preloved (the school's second hand uniform service), or it has been left unclaimed until the end of term and then it is automatically donated to Preloved, to sell.

All money raised goes directly to the school.

Under no circumstances is lost property ever sold.