



St Michael's Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd April 2021

Go, shine in the world and live as Jesus lived, with compassion, honesty and integrity.



Dear Parents

We hope you had a lovely Easter. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Monday. They came back eager and ready to learn. We have attached the curriculum overview for this term to this newsletter. It outlines what your children will be learning in school this term. Please have a read of this so that you can best support your child with their learning at home. Best wishes, Ms Richardson and Mrs Jackson



The importance of talking and listening...

There is a correlation between the rate at which children develop language and the input that they receive from parents and carers. The more speaking and listening interactions children have with their parents, the stronger their grasp of language. This has a huge impact on their learning.

Life is busy sometimes and we forget how these little things can make the biggest difference.



Year 3's Roman Britain Treasure Challenge...



Year 3 had a Virtual Visit from the Digital Discovery Centre at the British Museum. The children had to complete some challenges to help uncover, secure and research an object that had been discovered. They enjoyed looking at a range of objects and deciding whether they were treasures or not. The importance of different experts, from an archaeologist to a photographer, was explored to understand the steps to go through before an object can go on display in the museum. They even had an opportunity to look at a coin that was over 300 years old!



Year 4 Science: how does sound travel?



When the hanger hits the table the sound vibrates up the string to my ear.



The children used ear gongs to understand that sound travels outwards from the source as vibrations are passed on.

Important dates for your diary...

Monday 3rd May -Bank Holiday and school is closed

Monday 31st May until Friday 4th June—School closed for half term

Monday 7th June—Inset day—school closed

Friday 9th July—Academic Review Day—reports are given to parents on this day at a teacher parent meeting

Friday 23rd July—Last day of term

Thursday 2nd September—Children return to school

Friday 10th September—Academic Review day

Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October—School closed for half term

Monday 1st November-Children return to school



Spanish phrase of the week...

This week's phrase is **este mes es abril** which means **this month is April**.



Work of the week...

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office). This week Dehan from Year 1 has been chosen for his brilliant writing. He was inspired by the story 'No Dinner!' by Jessica Souhami to write about the wolf. He was able to use a range of adjectives to describe the wolf and then used these in his writing. He also showed an excellent grasp of phonics in his writing so that everyone can read his brilliant work. Well done Dehan!



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Zoom Coffee Morning...

Our next parent coffee morning is on Wednesday 28th April at 10am with Ms Nessa and Ms Humphrey. **All parents very welcome to attend :)**

Our Prayer...

Thank you God for the gift of all people, all cultures, all nations.

Thank you for your love for each of us. Help us to remember that our differences enrich our world and our lives.

Be with all of us so that we may work together for the good of all people. Amen.



What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus...

If your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus at home or is sent home by the Head of School with coronavirus symptoms, you must arrange a test for them immediately and inform the school of the result. Children displaying symptoms will not be able to return to school without being tested.

1. To arrange a test you should visit [nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test](https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test)
2. **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
3. Please let the Head of School (Ms Richardson) know immediately when you receive the result of your child's coronavirus test by calling the school office on **0207 485 8965**
4. If your child tests positive for coronavirus, you will receive a text, email or phone call from NHS that explains what your result is and what you need to do next.
5. If your child tests negative for coronavirus, your child can return to school.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough



high temperature



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Please make sure your child is in class and ready to learn by 9am.

