



St Michael's Church of England Federated Schools

Friendship – Happiness – Respect – Perseverance

Michaelmas Term (1) Week 5 2026



This term's theme is **BELONGING!**



A message from Mrs Saunders

Hello everybody,

As part of our school fundraising ,we use easyfundraising which means every time you shop online, you can be raising money for our schools. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! This means you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying.

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Thank you!

Have a wonderful weekend x Mrs Saunders x

This Week's Worship Infant School Thankfulness

**Remembering to say
Thank you**

**Junior School
COMPASSION FOR THE
WORLD NOW**

James 2:14-17

Eleanor



Dear Jesus,

Bless our school, let peace live
here,

Let the rooms be full of happiness,
Let love be all around, love of one
another, love of all people,
And love of life and living.

Let us remember, that as many
hands build a house, so many
hearts make a school.

Amen

Spirituality in our family is –
The **freedom** to **experience** a life of
discovery,
in a **safe** and secure environment,
in which we all are **connected** and
belong.

A message from the infant school

Hello everyone!

This week Bumblebee class have been reading 'Goldilocks and the three bears' and recognising numbers 1,2 and 3 through the story. They have also used their imagination and vocabulary with a 'Chair for bear'. They have enjoyed the water area, playdough and early years garden activities.

Dragonfly class have been comparing and ordering numbers using a number line. In Geography they have been looking at a map of the local area, discussing human and physical features. In Science they have been looking at human growth and had lots of fun measuring each other and ordering themselves from smallest to tallest. In art they have been exploring tearing and cutting materials to make some lovely autumn pictures for the classroom.



Ladybird class have been completing independent writing about Winnie the Pooh, using 'greater than, less than and equal to' vocabulary in Maths and in Geography they enjoyed a walk of the local area using the correct directional language.

Butterfly class have been learning about past and present tense in their writing. Created some beautiful collages for their 'background' piece in art. In Maths they have been sing number lines up to 100. In Geography they completed a walk of the local area.



Have a lovely weekend – Mrs Wain and the infant team 😊

A message from the junior school

Hello all!

We've had a lovely week at the junior school.

In year 3 this week, the children have been adding and subtracting three digit numbers and number bonds to 10. In English they have been writing instructions for Stone Age stew, thinking carefully about using accurate vocabulary. In Science, they learned what an exo-skeleton is and which animals have these. Today, the children have been making cave art using different materials to create their composition.

Year 4 have focused on rounding to the nearest 10 and roman numerals this week. It has been impressive to hear about their knowledge on this! In English, they have written instructions for a Stone Age meal of their choice. These will be going on display in the hallways. In Art, the children have focused on experimenting with patterns in their watercolour work.

In year 5 this week, the children have completed column and number line addition and subtraction and started their division learning. In English, they have finished their soliloquy final drafts. In History, the classes have learned about Fu Hao, a queen, military leader and high priestess of the Shang Dynasty. In PSHE, the children have reflected on what they need and what they want.

Year 6 have looked at the four operations and prime numbers in maths this week. They have started their learning on Newspaper reports. In Science, the children have been classifying different organisms. Today, the children have looked at the artist Keith Haring and have started to complete their own pieces inspired by him.

St Michael's Football team went to the Gallagher stadium on Monday to take part in the under 11s tournament. We are so proud of how brilliantly the children played as a team and cheered each other on.



Next week, we have the Scholastic Book Fair in School- you are very welcome to come along to the junior hall to support our school in purchasing books for the library.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week - Miss Mercer and everyone at the junior school 😊

Attendance

100%

This week's attendance:

We expect attendance to be at **97%**

	11/9/26	18/9/26	25/9/26	2/10/26			
Bumblebee YR	94.5%	96.2%	94.1%	98.3%			
Dragonfly YR-1	96.3%	90.6%	92.6%	89.9%			
Ladybird Y1-2	91.9%	96%	96.3%	91.3%			
Butterfly Y2	94.2%	95.9%	96.6%	97%			
Polar Bear Y3	95.8%	95.6%	96.9%	95.1%			
Jaguar Y3-4	94.1%	94.2%	93.1%	94.8%			
Elephant Y4	98%	94.2%	98.6%	100%!!			
Rhino Y5	95%	96.4%	97.5%	98.8%			
Penguin Y5/6	93.5%	95%	92.4%	91.7%			
Turtle and Snow Leopard Y6	97.7%	97.5%	98%	98.3%			



Michaelmas Diary Dates

Infant
school

Week 1: 2nd – 4th September

Wednesday 2nd - Start of term 1! Welcome back!

Breakfast and Rainbow club starts this week.

Week 2: 7th – 11th September

Friday 11th – Wonky Bars sale (PTFA)

Week 3: 14th – 18th September

Clubs start this week!

Tuesday 15th – individual photos

Wednesday 16th – sibling photos

Week 4: 21st – 25th September

Harvest collection this week- food donations welcome.

Friday 25th – Michaelmas Church Service 9.30am

Week 5: 28th – 2nd October

Week 6: 5th – 9th October

Scholastic Book Fair in the junior hall (Monday – Thursday @ 3pm)

Week 7: 12th – 16th October

Thursday 15th–YR teddy bear picnic

Friday 16th–Y1 and Y2 teddy bear picnic

Friday 16th – Last day of term 1.

Return to school on Monday 2nd November

Michaelmas Diary Dates

Junior
school

Week 1: 2nd – 4th September

Wednesday 2nd - Start of term 1! Welcome back!

Breakfast and Rainbow club starts this week.

Week 2: 7th – 11th September

The children will be visiting the church this week.

Tuesday 8th – Family Trust Assembly

Thursday 10th – Kent Test for Year 6 children who have registered

Friday 11th – Wonky Bars sale (PTFA)

Week 3: 14th – 18th September

Clubs start this week!

Wednesday 16th – Individual photos and sibling photos

Thursday 17th – Year 3 and 4 WOW Day (Stone Age)

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Wednesday 23rd – Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme

Friday 25th – Michaelmas Church Service 9.30am

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Term Dates 26-27

Term 1-

Tuesday 1st September – Inset day

Wednesday 2nd September - Friday 16th October

Term 2-

Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Term 3 -

Monday 4th January— Friday 12th February

Term 4 -

Monday 22nd February—Thursday 25th March

Term 5 -

Monday 12th April—Friday 28th May

Term 6 -

Monday 7th June—Thursday 22nd July

‘Be the BEST you can be!’