

St Michael's CofE Primary Academy



Newsletter 14

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For I know the plans I have for you.....plans to give you hope and a future.' Jeremiah 29 verse 11

As another successful school year draws to a close, I would like to extend my sincere thanks for your continued support, encouragement and partnership throughout the year. Together, we have helped our children to grow in confidence, develop their talents and make the most of every opportunity. They have been a real credit to both their families and St Michael's Academy.

A special congratulations goes to our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to begin the next exciting chapter of their education. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and know they leave us well prepared for the opportunities that lie ahead. While they will be greatly missed, we are excited to see all that they will accomplish in the future. To each and every one of our Year 6 pupils, we wish you every success and God's richest blessings as you move forward.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our families a happy, peaceful and well-deserved summer holiday. Thank you once again for being such an important part of our school community. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Thursday 3rd September**, refreshed and ready for another wonderful year together.

God bless
Kate Jackson (Principal)

Leavers' Service

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents, carers and family members who joined us in church for our special Year 6 Leavers' Service. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the children's time at St Michael's, giving thanks for the many memories, achievements and friendships they have made along the way. Together, we prayed for God's guidance and blessing as they begin the next stage of their educational journey. While it is always difficult to say goodbye, we know they leave us with the confidence, skills and values to embrace the exciting opportunities ahead. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of our Year 6 pupils and look forward to hearing about their future achievements. Please do keep in touch and let us know how they are getting on—we always enjoy celebrating the successes of our former pupils.



Leavers' Presentation

Our Year 6 Leavers' Presentation Evening was a wonderful celebration and a fitting way to mark the end of the children's time at St Michael's Academy. Parents and carers watched with great pride as each pupil was presented with a dictionary to commemorate their time with us, whilst Mrs. Jackson reflected on their many achievements, talents and the positive contribution they have made to our school community. The formal presentations were followed by an evening of fun and laughter as the children enjoyed spending time together, rounding off the celebrations with a memorable water fight on the playground. It was a fantastic occasion and a perfect way for our Year 6 pupils to celebrate their time together before embarking on the next exciting stage of their journey.



Hoodwinked

Last week, our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils delighted audiences with their end-of-year production, 'Hoodwinked'. Parents, carers, family members and friends were treated to a fantastic performance that showcased the children's enthusiasm, confidence and impressive acting talents. Over the past few weeks, the children have dedicated themselves to learning lines, rehearsing songs and perfecting every scene. Their hard work and commitment truly shone through, making the production a memorable occasion for everyone who attended. Thank you to all the families who came along to support the children and helped make the performances so special. We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to the Year 5 and Year 6 staff, whose dedication, creativity and countless hours of preparation ensured the show was a tremendous success. Well done to everyone involved!



Good Bye and Good Luck

Today, we said a fond and heartfelt farewell to Miss MacDonald as she begins an exciting new chapter. Over the past several years, Miss MacDonald has served as our Assistant Principal for Inclusion and ARK Lead, dedicating herself to supporting and nurturing children across both The ARK and the main school at St Michael's. Her commitment, compassion and unwavering dedication have had a lasting impact on countless pupils, families and colleagues, and she has been an invaluable member of our school community. While we will miss Miss MacDonald greatly, we thank her for everything she has contributed to St Michael's and wish her every happiness and success in the future. We know she will continue to make a positive difference wherever her next journey takes her.

Summer Fest

What an incredible evening we had last Friday at our end of year Summer Fest! A huge thank you to everyone who came along to celebrate with us and helped make the event such a fantastic success. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying a brilliant evening packed with fun, laughter, music and community spirit.



There was something for everyone to enjoy, with exciting games, popular tombolas, delicious BBQ and food stalls, refreshments and plenty of entertainment throughout the evening. The atmosphere was truly amazing from start to finish! Without a doubt, the biggest crowd-pleaser of the night was the legendary 'Splat the Teacher'! A massive thank you goes to Mr Rogers, who once again proved to be an excellent sport by volunteering to get absolutely drenched for everyone's entertainment. Judging by the queue, it remains one of the most popular attractions at Summer Fest!

A huge round of applause also goes to our talented young musicians, who entertained everyone with a fantastic concert. After months of dedication and practice learning brass, violin or guitar, they performed with confidence and enthusiasm, making us all incredibly proud. Their hard work and commitment throughout the year were evident for all to see, and they truly deserved the wonderful applause they received.

Finally, we would like to say an enormous thank you to our PTA. Their commitment, enthusiasm and countless hours of planning, organising and volunteering made the evening possible. From setting up and running stalls to ensuring everything ran smoothly, their hard work created a memorable event for our whole school community. Thank you also to everyone who donated, volunteered, performed and came along to support the event. Together, we created a fantastic celebration and the money raised will be used next academic year to buy additional resources to enhance the learning facilities and opportunity for children at St Michael's. What a perfect way to end another wonderful year at St Michael's and we can't wait to do it all again next summer! We are pleased to announce that we raised £1055.30.

Free Summer Activities & Food Programme Places

The Wolverhampton Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) program provides fully funded activities and free meals during school holidays for eligible children (ages 5–16). The Summer 2026 program, locally branded as "Yo Wolves," features over 33,000 free places offering activities like sports, arts, and day trips for children in Reception to Year 11 receiving benefits-related free school meals, those with SEND or an EHCP, and home-educated children. For more information and to book places visit the Eegu Yo Wolves Platform.



Attendance

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school every day and arrives on time. Your commitment to excellent attendance plays a vital role in your child's learning and success. We are delighted to share that our overall attendance for this academic year was 95.8%.



This year, 45 pupils achieved an outstanding attendance of 99% or above, with an incredible 21 pupils achieving a perfect **100%** attendance. These children were presented with a special certificate and prize by Mrs Jackson in recognition of their fantastic achievement. Not missing a single day of school is an incredible accomplishment, and you should all be immensely proud of yourselves. Congratulations and very well done!

Congratulations also go to Year 5, who achieved the highest class attendance this term with an impressive 97.73%. The class with the highest attendance across the entire academic year was Reception with 96.97%. What an amazing achievement - well done to everyone!

Finally, we are thrilled to announce that our Summer Term Attendance Prize has been awarded to Bobby in year 3 who attended school every day and arrived on time throughout the term. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement and enjoy your well-deserved prize!

We can't wait to reveal the exciting attendance rewards for the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms next year, so keep aiming high and remember - **every day counts!**

Beach Party Day

On Monday 13th July, we celebrated the end of the school year with a fantastic Beach Day Party. The children came to school dressed in their favourite beachwear and enjoyed a fun-filled day of summer-themed activities outdoors. Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of exciting activities, including panna football, a beach disco, outdoor art, rebound activities, water play, and movie time. There was something for everyone to enjoy! In the afternoon, all the children were treated to a delicious ice cream from the ice cream van, which was the perfect way to round off the day. It was a wonderful celebration and a fitting end to a successful and memorable school year.



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