

St Michael's CE (A) Primary School



Newsletter 2

Friday 3rd October 2025

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

European Day of Languages

On Friday 26th September, we celebrated the European Day of Languages in school with each class learning about a different European country. The day started with a celebratory assembly to introduce the European Day of Languages and then throughout the day children took part in a variety of different activities centred around the country their class was focusing on. Year 6 greeted all visitors to their class in German whilst waving their flags in celebration whilst Year 1 learnt how to greet people in Portuguese as well as decorating the country's flag. There was even a special European Lunchtime menu for the children to enjoy!



Read Write Inc Parent Workshop

We are delighted to be holding our Read Write Inc Parent workshop in school on Thursday 9th October from 9.00am to 10.00am. The workshop gives parents the opportunity to learn more about how we teach phonics and early reading in school through the Read Write Inc programme. During the session, you will be able to observe the teaching of phonics in school as well as gaining some ideas on how you can support your child's reading at home. If you would like to attend this session, and have not yet returned your attendance slip please inform the school office. We look forward to welcoming you to this event.



The Children's Bookshow

On Monday 29th, Years 3 & 4 visited The Grand Theatre in Wolverhampton to be part of the audience at the Children's Bookshow. The children were fascinated watching a live performance by authors Matt de la Pena and Christian Robinson and every child came back to school with a copy of 'Last Stop on Market Place' written by these authors. We hope that such experiences like this inspire your children to continue reading for pleasure.



Reading to children is essential for their overall development, as it boosts cognitive growth, builds crucial language and literacy skills, enhances imagination and creativity, and fosters empathy and emotional understanding. Reading also improves concentration, creates a stronger bond with parents or caregivers, and provides a foundation for future academic success.

Reception Learning Together

Thank you to those parents who joined us today for our first 'Reception Learning Together' morning. These sessions allow you to step into the classroom, join in with activities and observe how your child learns, plays and interacts with their peers in a school environment.



We look forward to our next two sessions taking place on Friday 10th October from 9.30am to 10.30am and Friday 24th October from 2.00pm to 3.00pm. If you have not yet signed up to one of these sessions but would like to join us, please speak to Mrs Hallam in the school office who will be happy to assist you. We look forward to welcoming you into the classroom to share this special part of your child's learning journey with them.

School Photographs

On Monday 6th October, The School Photography Company Ltd will be in school to take individual and sibling group photographs. Please make sure your child arrives into school on this day wearing smart uniform. Our photographers will be holding a sitting before school at 8.30am for families who would like pictures taken where siblings attend different schools or where a sibling is of pre-school age. If you require such a photograph, please go directly to the school reception where staff will direct you to the appropriate place. Families where all the children attend St Michael's will have their photographs taken together at some point during the day.



Parents' Consultations

Thank you to all those parents who met with their child's class teacher last week to discuss their child's progress and how they have settled into their new classes. If you were unable to attend the Parent Consultation evenings but would still like to speak with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office who will be able to assist you.



Scarecrow Festival

On Friday 17th October, we will be hosting our very first Scarecrow Festival at St Michael's. The children and staff are working very hard in school preparing the festival for everyone's enjoyment and to raise funds to buy resources to enhance learning. Our Scarecrow festival promises to be a fun Autumn fair with lots of games, competitions, challenges and sales stalls including a bric a brac/nearly new clothes stall. In addition to this, food and drink will also be available during the evening.



On the day of the festival, we will be holding a 'wear your own clothes' or 'dress like a scarecrow' day in exchange for a donation of cakes for our cake stall. Either shop bought cakes or homemade cakes are welcome.

We will also be hosting a scarecrow competition and look forward to seeing our playing field scattered with amazing designs. If you would like to take part in this competition and have not yet returned your entry form along with the £3.00 entry fee please contact the school office who will be happy to help you.

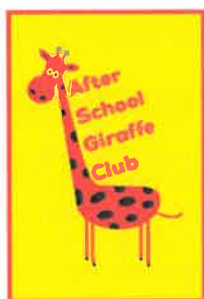
St Michael's Day Service

On Monday 29th September, the whole school visited St Michael and All Angels' Church for a St Michael's Day service. St. Michael's Day service is a religious service celebrating the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, also known as Michaelmas, which is traditionally observed around September 29th. It signifies the angels who bridge the divine and human realms and is seen as a symbol of courage and strength against evil.



Giraffe Club

We are delighted that after many years we have been able to open our own after school childcare club. Giraffe club is run by Miss Porter and Mr Steadman and is open everyday after school in The Ark, from 3.20pm to 6.00pm. This is a new club and children who attend are really enjoying their time there. The cost for the club is detailed below and payments must be made in advance via The School Gateway online payment system under the heading 'Clubs - Giraffe Club'.



3.20pm - 4.20pm £5 per session
3.20pm to beyond 4.20pm £12 per session

We would really like to increase our numbers and are happy to welcome ad hoc attendance as well as regular attendees.

Ready, Respectful and Responsible

Could we please ask that you remind your children about the three expectations we have at St Michael's - Ready, Respectful and Responsible. We are keen that all children in school develop these expectations for themselves and show respect at all times in various situations and scenarios. We thank you in advance for your support.

Absence From School Due to Illness

A letter came home with your child last week explaining important information regarding attendance. Three Spires Trust attendance policy requires, in addition to the usual phone calls, written confirmation if a child is absent due to illness for four or more consecutive days. This written confirmation can be in the form of a letter or email or the submission of medical evidence.



Diary Dates

06.10.25	School Photographs
09.10.25	RWInc Parent Workshop 9.00am
10.10.25	Reception Learning Together
13.10.25	Harvest Festival in Church 1.45pm
15.10.25	Y3 Eucharist
16.10.25	Flu Vaccine Catch up Session
17.10.25	Scarecrow Festival
22.10.25	Cricket Taster Day Y2 to 6
23.10.25	Y1 Parent Maths Workshop
24.10.25	Reception Learning Together
24.10.25	School Break Up
03.11.25	School Reopens
05.11.25	Y4 Eucharist
10.11.25	Diversity Concert
11.11.25	Remembrance Service
12.11.25	Y6 Height & Weight Check
18.11.25	Y2 Parent Maths Workshop
25.11.25	Reception Parent Maths Workshop 9.00am
25.11.25	Music Concert 6.00pm
26.11.25	Y2 Eucharist
28.11.25	Reception visit to WMSP
10.12.25	REC & KS1 Christmas Production
12.12.25	Christmas Lunch
16.12.25	Christmas Disco
19.12.25	Christmas Service in Church 10.00am
19.12.25	School Breaks up for Half Term
05.01.26	School Reopens

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