

St Michael's CofE Primary Academy



Newsletter 7

Friday 23rd January 2026

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

Young Voices

On Thursday 15th January, Year 5 & 6 visited bp pulse Live in Birmingham to take part in the Young Voices concert. It was a thoroughly amazing evening, a memory which we hope will stay with your child for the rest of their lives. For over 30 years, Young Voices has been at the forefront in delivering an extraordinary concert experience for primary school children and this is why it isn't just any children's choir concert; it's the largest children's choir concert in the world! Their mission is simple: to ignite a love for music, empower children to discover their voices, and build their confidence. With unforgettable performances in prestigious arenas, Young Voices offers children a chance to shine, creating lifelong memories and fostering a sense of community. A truly mesmerising evening was had by both staff and children alike as they united in an electrifying and unforgettable choir experience.



A big thank you to those parents who travelled to the arena to support the event. We hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did!

INSET Days

Please see below INSET days for this term when school will be closed to all pupils -

Monday 23rd February
Friday 13th March



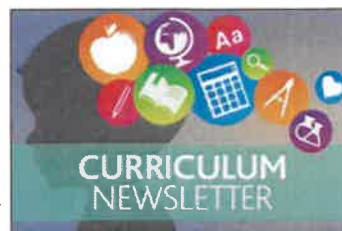
Year 6 Dance Leaders' Workshop

We are extremely excited that some Y6 pupils have the opportunity to take part in a dance leaders' workshop at Our Lady & St Chad's school on 27th January. The workshop has been organised to teach children about dance leadership. They will be learning about what makes a good leader of dance as well as learning choreography and exploring tools to develop and create their own dances. We are hoping that they will be able to bring this knowledge back to school and create a lunchtime dance club in the summer term.



Curriculum Newsletters

Your child will have now brought home this term's curriculum newsletter detailing what they will be learning in class. This newsletter can also be found on the school website under the heading



Curriculum - Curriculum Newsletters. We hope you take the time to look at this information and find it useful in understanding and supporting what your child will be learning about in school during this term. If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

School Extra Curricular Activities

Our Spring term clubs are now in full swing with children enjoying a variety of new clubs including clay club, cooking club, art & craft club and sign language club. For the more energetic, football and dodgeball clubs are also running.



School Arrears

Message have been sent out this week regarding any arrears that parents/



carers may owe on the Arbor App for school lunches, bagel club or Giraffe club. Please could we request that you settle any arrears ASAP. We are aware that some parents/carers may have larger than normal arrears due to the change over in school systems from The School Gateway to Arbor Pay and therefore should you experience any problems clearing your arrears, we will be happy to set up an instalment account for you.

Safeguarding Children Online

We know that the online world plays a big part in children's lives, both for learning and socialising. While technology offers many benefits, it's important that children are supported to use it safely and responsibly. We encourage parents and carers to take an active interest in what their child is doing online, including the apps, games, and websites they use, and who they are communicating with. Setting age-appropriate parental controls, talking regularly about online experiences, and reminding children not to share personal information can all help keep them safe. If you have any concerns about online safety or would like advice, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



Eucharist

We are very pleased that, once again this term, KS1 & KS2 children will be visiting St Michael & All Angels' Church to take part in Eucharist. The Eucharist is at the heart of Christian worship. It is celebrated by Christians around the world as a memorial of the death and resurrection of Jesus, in response to his words at the final meal he shared with his disciples, 'Do this in remembrance of me'.



Come Dine With Me

We are extremely delighted to be welcoming the popular 'Come Dine With Me' lunch experiences back in school during the Spring term. During this term, parents/carers will be invited into school to join their child's class for lunch. Closer to the time of your child's class 'Come Dine With Me' experience you will receive a letter home giving you further details of times and how to make your payment. Please see the list below notifying you of the dates for each class so that you can make a note in your diary if you would like to join us. We hope that you will take the opportunity to come and share this special lunch with your child.



30.01.26	Reception Come Dine With Me
06.02.26	Year 1 Come Dine With Me
13.02.26	Year 2 Come Dine With Me
27.02.26	Year 3 Come Dine With Me
06.03.26	Year 4 Come Dine With Me
20.03.26	The Ark Come Dine With Me
20.03.26	Year 5 Come Dine With Me
27.03.26	Year 6 Come Dine With Me

Wolverhampton Fire Station Visit

On Friday 30th January, Year 2 children will be visiting Wolverhampton Fire Station as part of their history topic. The children have been studying The Great Fire of London and will be comparing the differences between how fires are tackled today compared to 1666. The Great Fire of London occurred in central London from Sunday 2 September to Wednesday 5 September 1666, gutting the medieval City of London inside the old Roman city wall, while also extending past the wall to the west.



Contact Information

Could we please remind parents/carers that should any contact information, dietary or medical requirements or collection arrangements change for your child, you are able to amend this yourself on the Arbor App.

New School Attendance Awards

We are extremely pleased to introduce a new Attendance Award System designed to promote and celebrate excellent class attendance across the school. Each Friday during our worship assembly, pupils will be informed of their class attendance for the week. Any class achieving an attendance rate of 96.5% or above will be rewarded with an additional 10 minutes of playtime in recognition of their commitment. In addition, the class with the **highest attendance** each week will receive a **£10.00 reward**, which will be displayed on the attendance board as a visual celebration of their achievement. These rewards will accumulate over the term. At the end of each term, classes will have the opportunity to use the money they have earned to purchase class resources of their choice to use during wet play.



In addition to this, any pupil who achieves an attendance rate of **96.5% or above** will be entered into a prize draw at the end of both the Spring Term and the Summer Term giving them the opportunity to win an Amazon Fire HD 8 tablet.

We believe this initiative will encourage positive attendance habits, foster teamwork, and help pupils understand the importance of regular school attendance.

Diary Dates

29.01.26	Low Mood Parent Workshop - 2.00pm
30.01.26	Rec Come Dine With Me
30.01.26	Y2 Visit to Wolverhampton Fire Station
02.02.26	National Storytelling Week
05.02.26	Girls' Football Match v/s Perry Hall
06.02.26	Y1 Come Dine With Me
10.02.26	Safer Internet Day
13.02.26	Y2 Come Dine With Me
13.02.26	School Breaks Up For Half Term
23.02.26	INSET Day - School Closed To All Pupils
24.02.26	School Reopens To All Pupils
25.02.26	Reception Height, Weight & Vision Checks
27.02.26	Y3 Come Dine With Me
05.03.26	World Book Day
06.03.26	Y4 Come Dine With Me
11.03.26	Parents' Evening - 5.00pm
12.03.26	Parents' Evening - 3.30pm
13.03.26	INSET Day - School Closed For All Pupils
20.03.26	Y5 & The Ark Come Dine With Me
25.03.26	Easter Prayer Spaces
26.03.26	Y4 Bikeability
27.03.26	Y6 Come Dine With Me
27.03.26	Easter Service in Church - 10.00am
27.03.26	School Breaks Up For Easter
13.04.26	School Reopens To All Pupils

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