

## St Michael with St Thomas CofE Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

### Y6 performance

This week some of our Y5 and Y6 pupils performed a play that has been written by our Head Boy, Ben, in Y6, inspired by the workshop sessions Y6 completed last term with the Anne Frank Trust. Ben was so inspired by the message of hope and the need for inclusivity and diversity in our world, that he wrote a play script based on this. After appointing pupils to act in the play with him, he has arranged rehearsals and directed the performance. They children all performed fantastically, and it was lovely to watch them showcase their independent work on this project. What amazing role models we have in our upper school!

## Y1 family worship

A huge well done to our Y1 class who led their first Family Worship this week, teaching us all about this half term's Christian Value of Trust. Thank you to all the families who joined us for this.

### **Y5 Petty Pool Residential**

Our Y5 pupils had a fantastic time at their residential trip this week, conquering their fears, completing teamwork tasks and even being responsible for serving dinner to each other! As always, our Y5 pupils didn't disappoint, with their fantastic manners and attitudes and were amazing ambassadors for our school during their time away. Have a look on our social media pages for photos of the fun!

#### **Social Media Pages**

Don't forget to follow our new social media pages if you haven't already - links below! Feel free to share our advertising posts or other school information with your networks. We had a visitor last week who didn't know our school was here as we are tucked away! So help us spread the word about our amazing pupils and hard-working staff!

### **Pupil Progress Meetings**

The dates are below for our final pupil progress meetings of the year. Bookings will open on Arbor on Monday morning for you to choose your slot to meet with your child's class teacher. If your child has a Learning Plan, you will be invited in for a separate meeting to review this and set targets for the next term. Please contact the office if you have any problems accessing Arbor to book.

Tues 4th June - Reception & Y4

Weds 5th June - Y5 & Y6

Thurs 6th June - Y1, Y2 & Y3

#### **Sports Day**

This year's Sports Day will take place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Y3/4/5/6 sports day will take place in the morning and start at 9.15am. Rec/KS1 sports day will take place in the afternoon and will start at 1.30pm. We are asking that children come dressed in the colours of their House Teams, however if they do not have anything in these colours, we have sports bibs so please do not buy anything especially for this.

Nightingale – Red Attenborough – Green Parks – Blue Mandela - Yellow

#### **Family Volunteers**

We are looking to recruit some volunteers from our families to come into school on a regular basis to support in classrooms with things like reading, preparing homework, being an extra body for art activities etc. If you think that you would enjoy this and can commit to a regular time each week (this could be anything from an hour to a day!) then please contact me to discuss. Please feel free to pass onto grandparents or extended family members that you feel may be interested too!

### **Looking Ahead:**

Here are some important dates for your diaries to help you plan for the next few weeks:

- w/b 13<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATs Week
- w/b 20<sup>th</sup> May Walk to School Week
- Tues 21st May Y3 Family Worship
- Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> May Sports Day, Break up for half term

Please note, these dates are subject to change - please ensure you check them each week for any amendments or additions.

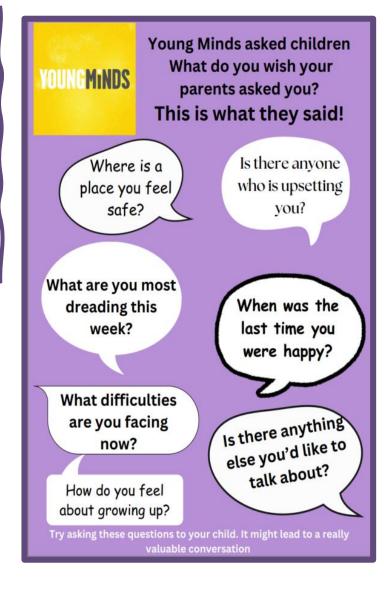
# Living Our Values

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

TRUST

"We trust in God, one another and ourselves."





## Let's Talk About Rights!

This week our Article of the week for you to discuss at home is: Article 24 – the right to good health, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment

- What does this mean?
- How do children access this right?
- How can duty bearers help to ensure children have this right?

## Article of the WEEK



# Ready, Respectful, Safe!



We are ready to learn, ready to listen and ready to embrace opportunities.

We respect our friends, our teachers, our visitors and all members of our community.





We know how we can keep ourselves safe and make sure we do all we can to keep our school family safe. Quotes from Miss Slingsby's #Positivegossip Book this week:

- ♣ Phoebe Y3 Displaying lovely manners around school and being a super role model – Mrs Fisher
- ↓ Jake & Harry Y6 Helping Miss
   Sutton during break duty thank
   you!
- Niall Y5 For holding the door open for Mrs Bonnett when she was moving instruments
- ♣ Ronnie Y2 For making Mrs Hogan smile by asking if she was having a nice day
- ↓ Jacob Y6 For noticing Mrs Hogan was struggling with boxes and holding doors open for her
- ♣ Josh Y1 spotted being a good friend and looking out for someone who was hurt at break time Mrs Worrall

## Headteacher's Award Winners:

Rec - Thea for trying extra hard in phonics

Y1 - Eva for growing in confidence when proofreading her work

Y2 - Roman for being a great friend

Y3 - Olly for amazing time knowledge

Y4 - Charlotte for a super attitude to learning this week

Y5 – Eleanor-Rose for a positive and caring attitude all week

Y6 - Lucas for a consistently excellent attitude to learning - always positive and enthusiastic

# <u>Lunchtime</u> <u>Superstars</u>

Rec - Ava

Y1 - Skylar

Y2 - Leighton

43 - Issac

Y4 - Finlay

45 - Joseph

YG - Abi

# Attendance Counts!

#momentsmatter

# Changes to attendance law from September 2024:

## Per parent.

### Per child

Penalty notice fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For Example: 3 Siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 seperate fines.

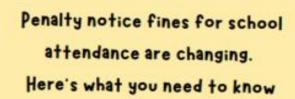
## 5 Consecutive days of term

#### time leave

Penalty notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days. Inset, training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

# 10 Sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Penalty notice fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period





## First Offence

The first time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

## Second Offence

(Within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty
Notice is issued for term time
leave or irregular attendance
the amount will be:
£160 per parent, per child
paid within 28 days.

## Third Offence and any further offences

(within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendnace a pentity notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistraites' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to the failure to safeguard a child's education.

Whole School Attendance - this year:

95.2%

Whole school attendance - this week:

96.770

Class attendance winner:

43 - 99.2%

# Class Attendance:

Rec - 97.290:

41 - 99.190

42-92.970

43 - 99.290

44 - 95.890

45 - 93.8%

46-98.990