



## **St Michael with St Thomas C of E Primary School**

*Newsletter – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026*

### **Easter Bingo – Last Shout Out!**

To ensure the smooth running of our Easter Bingo please ensure, if your child is attending, you have given consent and made payment on Arbor, this is to help us organise prizes and make an accurate food order. Our Easter Bingo event is available to book on Arbor for just £5.00, which includes a hotdog, a drink, and plenty of fun. Thank you to everyone who has already kindly donated Easter treats for our bingo prizes — your generosity is truly appreciated. Any further donations would be very gratefully received, and we thank you in advance for helping to make this event a great success! 🍌🎉

### **Easter Egg and Bonnet Competition**

We are thrilled to be holding our annual egg decorating and Easter bonnet competition again this year! After seeing the fantastic entries from previous years, we cannot wait to see the incredible creations the children come up with this time, the possibilities are endless – whether it is a character, fun patterns, or anything that sparks the imagination!

Just a reminder:

- All eggs MUST be hard-boiled to ensure they are ready for display
- No entries should be in boxes larger than a shoe box, as they will not be displayed
- Entries must not be brought into school before Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026

We look forward to seeing the wonderful and creative designs

### **Wear Blue for Bobby**

Thank you to everyone for supporting our "Wear Blue for Bobby" day and helping to raise awareness about road safety. As part of this focus, we would like to remind all our families about the importance of keeping the road outside of school safe for everyone to use. This includes keeping the speed down, not driving on the pavement and making sure you are parking considerately. Please ensure children are holding hands with parents, not running ahead and those children who walk home or ride independently have been spoken to about being sensible and safe. What happened to Bobby was tragic, destroyed a family and broke a school community - let us not allow that to happen here. By working together and looking out for one another, we can help keep everyone safe. 💡

### **Pupil Progress Meetings**

Pupil Progress meetings are open for booking on Arbor. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress, the results of the latest assessment week, and any next steps in their learning journey. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's achievements and progress and to work together in supporting their continued success.

### **Art Exhibition**

The artwork from the Art Exhibition is still available for purchase at a cost of £5. If you would like to buy your child's masterpiece, please make the payment through Arbor. This is a wonderful opportunity to take home a special piece of art created by your child, and we are sure it will be a cherished keepsake! Thank you for supporting our young artists.

### **Trips**

We have a number of exciting trips lined up for the summer term. Please check Arbor to see which trips are available for your child and ensure that you have given consent and made full payment so that your child can attend. These trips provide wonderful opportunities for children to enjoy new experiences, explore beyond the classroom, and create lasting memories with their friends.

## Red Nose Day 2026

Red Nose Day will take place on Friday 20th March 2026. To show our support, children are invited to come into school dressed in Red. This could include red clothing, accessories, or anything fun and creative that celebrates the day. We look forward to seeing everyone take part while helping to raise awareness and support this special event. Donations can be made at

<https://donation.comicrelief.com/?cartId=rnd26->

[bbc&utm\\_source=website&utm\\_medium=bbc&utm\\_campaign=rnd26\\_uk\\_cr00037](bbc&utm_source=website&utm_medium=bbc&utm_campaign=rnd26_uk_cr00037)

## Uniform

As we look ahead to some hopefully warmer weather next term, children will be invited to wear their summer uniform to school. Please see the details below. We would also like to remind parents that sandals and open-toed shoes are not permitted. Earrings should be removed before coming to school, and makeup is not allowed. In addition, please be aware that there may be special occasions when children will need to wear their Autumn uniform, Year 6 pupils will be required to wear their full school uniform—including shirts, ties, jumpers, and cardigans—for their Leavers' Service at Liverpool Cathedral. Therefore, we respectfully request that families keep an autumn uniform available for special occasions. Thank you for your continued support.

### **EYFS & KS1 (Only)**

Black Trousers/Skirt  
Optional: Tartan Skirt/Pinafore  
White Polo Shirt  
Purple Sweatshirt/Cardigan  
Black Shoes (Not Trainers)  
White/Black Socks

### **KS2 (Only)**

Black Trousers/Skirt  
Optional: Tartan Skirt/Pinafore  
White Shirt  
Purple Tie  
Purple Sweatshirt/Cardigan  
Black Shoes (Not Trainers)  
White/Black Socks

### **PE Kit (All Key Stages)**

White Crew T-Shirt  
Black Shorts  
Black Pumps  
***(During cooler months plain black joggers, tracksuits and trainers are permitted for outdoor use - if a plain black tracksuit top is not available, a school cardigan or jumper may be worn)***

### **Summer Uniform (All Key Stages)**

Black Trousers can be replaced for Black Shorts

Pinafores/Skirts can be replaced for Lilac Gingham Dress White/Black Socks Purple Sweatshirt/Cardigan (optional)

## Year 6 Walking Home

With the lighter evenings, Year 6 children we have a permission slip for, will be allowed to walk home independently after after-school clubs.

### Quotes from Miss Slingsby's #Positivegossip Book this week:

- Leighton (Y5) for having a lovely and interesting conversation with me at lunch time - Mrs Hughes
- Jonn (Y6) for his amazing maths work - Miss Case
- Ferne (Rec) for being a super helper in the corridor - Miss Fisher 😊
- Max (Y5) for always looking for opportunities to help other people - what a lovely friend 😊! - Mrs Worrall 💜
- Ivy (Y2) for always being polite and doing the right thing at lunchtimes
- Erin (Y5) for tidying the quiet area
- Hunter (Y1) for always having beautiful manners at lunchtime - Miss Barnett
- Sophia and Hattie (Y2) for super computing work and showing me how to create a pictogram! Mrs Worrall
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## Parent Dates

### Looking Ahead:

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

- 19<sup>th</sup> Mar – Easter Bingo (children only)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Mar – Red Nose Day (wear something red)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar – Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet Entries
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar – Y1/Y2 Parent Pupil Progress Meetings
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar – Tempest Class Photos
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar – Y5/Y6 Parent Pupil Progress Meetings
- 25<sup>th</sup> Mar – Y4 Parent Pupil Progress Meeting
- 27<sup>th</sup> Mar – Finish for Half Term
- 13<sup>th</sup> Apr – School Opens

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

## Next Week's Menu

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish	Pork Sausage or Quorn Sausage	Chicken Tikka Masala or Vegan Meatballs with Naan Bread	Shepherd's Pie or Tuna Pasta	Tomato Pasta Bake or Veggie Burger with Pasta	Veggie Nuggets or Fish Fingers
Accompaniments	Herby Diced Potato & Veg of the day & Gravy *** Salad Bar	Rice & Veg of the day *** Salad Bar	Veg of the day *** Salad Bar	Garlic Bread *** Salad Bar	Chips & Veg of the day *** Salad Bar
Desserts	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato & Todays choice of filling	Jacket Potato & Todays choice of filling	Jacket Potato & Todays choice of filling	Jacket Potato & Todays choice of filling	Jacket Potato & Todays choice of filling

Please note – The catering staff will make every effort to follow the menu as set out above, however there may be occasions when food served may differ from the menu and if this is to happen, we will make you aware of the change at the earliest convenience.

# Living Our Values

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

## Forgiveness

*"We are sorry when we have done something wrong and accept others' apologies"*



## St Michael with St Thomas Church

Come and join the Sunday services at our beautiful church! See times below. Don't forget Children's Church on the first Sunday of every month.



## Holy Communion Service

🕒 Every Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for 1 hour

## Let's Talk About Rights!

This week our Article of the week for you to discuss at home is: *Article 8: Every child has a right to their own identity, including name, nationality and family relations*

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!



## Headteacher Award Winners

- Rec - Arthur for a fantastic first two weeks!
- Y1 - Frankie for great effort in all his lessons - Keep it Up!
- Y2 - Billy for trying extra hard in every subject 💜
- Y3 - Rosie for her amazing attitude towards English, she has set a great example! 😊
- Y4 - Ronnie for being such a fantastic member of our class all the time! 😊
- Y5 - Ryan for a great draft of his setting description
- Y6 - Zac for speed and accuracy in arithmetic

## Lunchtime Superstars

- Rec - Arthur
- Y1 - Frankie
- Y2 - Lola
- Y3 - Izzy
- Y4 - Stevie
- Y5 - Mason
- Y6 - Sonny

# Attendance Counts!

#momentmatter

Whole School Attendance – this year:

95.1%

Whole school attendance – this week:

94.8%

Class attendance winner:

99% - Y2

Class Attendance:

Rec – 97.7%

Y1 – 96.1%

Y2 – 99%

Y3 – 94.7%

Y4 – 94.7%

Y5 – 94.1%

Y6 – 89.6%



## Important reminder regarding reporting absences.

Please be reminded that you need to notify school before 9am with the reason for absence for this to be recorded appropriately.

**Please note 'Feeling unwell', 'poorly' or 'under the weather' is not sufficient, more detail is required such as 'has been sick' or 'has a temperature' is required.**

There are lots of ways to notify school of absence. You can call the school number and leave a message on the absence line, you can send a message via Arbor or you can email the school office.

Thank you for your continued support