



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

***Newsletter – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025***

### **Thank You**

I would just like to say a big thank you to everyone who has reached out personally to me following the letter from Directors last week about me taking the Executive Headteacher role from September. I am incredibly proud of the fantastic school we have built, and whilst I am looking forward to working with another school and using our successes here to impact positively on even more children, St Michael with St Thomas is a huge part of me, and I can't imagine not calling this home! In the last seven years we have built an exceptional team, and I know you will continue to support us all - as always, we continue to strive for improvement and excellence in all that we do, and we still have lots of plans! We are looking forward to the next step in our journey together ♥

### **Non-Uniform Day**

we will be holding a non-uniform day on **Friday, 28th March**, to collect donations of Easter eggs and chocolate for bingo prizes and the raffle hamper. Any support with these donations will be greatly appreciated, and we thank you in advance for helping make this event a success!

### **Easter Bingo**

We are excited to kick off our Easter activities and cannot wait to get started! Our Easter Bingo event is available to book on Arbor for just £5.00, which includes a hotdog, crisps, a drink, and plenty of fun.

### **Easter Egg Decorating and Easter Bonnet Competition Reminder**

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. For the decorated eggs, the possibilities are endless – whether it is a character, fun patterns, or anything else that sparks their 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 31st March 2025.

Winners will be announced on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful and creative designs!

### **Pupil Progress Meetings**

We still have some slots available for our Pupil Progress Meetings next week. If you have not already, please log onto Arbor to book your place. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's achievements and progress and working together to support their continued learning and success.

### **Well done Y6**

Well done to Year 6 for their incredible effort during this week's practise SATs! We were truly impressed by the amazing perseverance and determination they showed throughout the week. Their hard work and commitment are commendable, and it is clear they gave their best. Keep up the fantastic work!

### **Y4 Easter Service**

This year's Easter Service will be led by Year 4 at the church at 9:30am. The children have been putting in a lot of effort preparing for the service, and we are excited to share this special celebration with you. If you would like to join us for our whole school walk to and from the church, please contact the office to let us know. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating together!

#### **Y4 Clonter Theatre Trip**

On Tuesday, Year 4 had the wonderful opportunity to visit Clonter Opera Theatre in Cheshire. We took part in four workshops which explored each aspect of theatre design. The theme of the day was linked to our English text, *The Girl Who Stole an Elephant* by Nizrana Farook and we started the day by creating GOBO's (lighting design kits) for the set, in the style of the text. After, the lighting manager used our very own creations on the stage and we then moved props around to decide how to present the stage. Once we had lunch, we composed our very own song using information and events from the story and picked how we wanted the music to sound! Finally, we took part in a costume design workshop and learnt about the steps to creating a costume for the actors to wear on stage. All of the activities from the day contribute towards the arts award and we look forward to hearing about our progress!

#### **Looking Ahead:**

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

- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Y5 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Y6 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Choir cancelled
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Y6 Booster club cancelled
- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Reception Pupil Progress Meetings
- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Y1 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 27<sup>th</sup> March – Y3 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 27<sup>th</sup> March – Y4 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 28<sup>th</sup> March – Non-uniform day (Easter treat donations)
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – Y2 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – Easter Egg competition entries
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Easter Service Y4 (Church 9:30am – Parents welcome)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Easter Bingo (children only)
- 4<sup>th</sup> April – End of 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:

## Forgiveness

*"We look after each other and always try to be kind"*



### 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

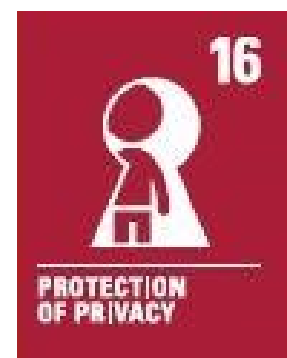
## Let's Talk About Rights!

This week our Article of the week for you to discuss at home is: *Article 16: Children have the right to Privacy*

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's Award Winners

Rec – Elliott for blowing us away with his fantastic Evil Pea wanted poster!

Y1 – Lewis for really focusing on his fantastic handwriting

Y2 – Grace for trying hard with editing and improving her work

Y3 – Penelope for being so determined in all of her lessons

Y4 – Olivia for showcasing brilliant resilience each day

Y5 – Lottie for a wonderful attitude and demonstrating our Christian values in all she does

Y6 – Eleanor Rose for wonderful perseverance and determination in all assessments this week

## Lunchtime Superstars

Rec – Millie

Y1 – Sophia

Y2 – Freddie

Y3 – Leighton

Y4 – Phoebe

Y5 – Henry

Y6 – Sophie-Mae

# Attendance Counts!

#momentsmatter

Whole School Attendance – this year:

95.3%

Whole school attendance – this week:

92.5%

Class attendance winner:

100% - Rec

Class Attendance:

Rec – 100%

Y1 – 91.7%

Y2 – 87.4%

Y3 – 91.0%

Y4 – 93.3%

Y5 – 93.5%

Y6 – 91.2%



## 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



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

- Izzy Y2 for always holding the door and smiling in the morning. A lovely way to start the day – Miss T
- All of Y1 for an absolutely amazing PE lesson – super listening, super behaviour, super attitude and super skills – Mr Wortley
- Laura Y6 Excellent text marking during assessments – Mrs Fisher
- Amelia & Kaycie Y6 for making Mrs Fisher smile with a lovely conversation about persevering with reading 
- All of Reception (and their Grown Ups) for 10/10 effort with their super vegetables home project – Mrs Fisher & Mrs Hughes
- Esmay Y2 – Super Maths work with the new fractions topic – Miss Barnett
- Charlotte Y1 – for helping a friend to cut up their dinner when they were struggling – Mrs Hughes
- George and Theo (Y3) for being quiet and respectful in the hall while Y6 did their tests
- Amelia W (Y6) for helping a younger child into school when they were upset – Miss Brimble
- KS1 and KS2 homework club for being absolutely wonderful for Miss Sutton, we were homework superstars, well done 
- Eva Y2 for always having a smile and an interesting story/thought to share with me  Mrs Worrall
- Charlotte Y5 for always taking the time to say hello and stop for a friendly chat – Mrs Worrall
- All of the children in school for being so helpful and patient while Y6 did their tests! Mrs Worrall and Miss Case
- Ivy-Rae Y5 for a cheery 'Good Morning, how are you?' – Mrs Hogan
- Lizzy, Evie, Ebony, Molly, Cody Y6. It was a delight to watch you work so hard on your papers – working methodically with perseverance – Mrs Hogan

### **Nellie's Netball**

Nellie's Netball continue to grow within Widnes with training on Monday nights at Upton Community Centre and league games are played regularly on a Sunday morning.



## **WIDNES MONDAYS**



5:00pm till 6:00pm  
Aimed at Years 1-4

6:00pm-7:00pm  
Year 5/6/7/8/9 +  
7 aside training and Match Play



**ENHANCED DBS  
PEDIATRIC FIRST AID TRAINED**

**LEVEL 2 COACHES**

**EMAIL  
NELLIESNETBALL@GMAIL.COM**



## Bedding Plant Fundraiser

All funds raised in aid of our International Fund to help young people experience life changing adventure

**Order by 1 April**

**Collect from pickup points in  
Frodsham, Moore and Widnes  
on 24 May 2025, 13:00 - 16:00**



Placing an order is easy via our online shop  
<https://fundraising.mwscouts.org/plant-sale>

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# Bloomin' Brilliant Prices

Plant	Colour / Type	Price
African Marigold	Mixed	£3.20
Alyssum	White	£3.20
Antirrhinum	Mixed	£3.20
Begonia	Mixed	£3.20
Dahlia (bedding)	Mixed	£3.20
French Marigold	Mixed	£3.20
Gazania	Mixed	£3.20
Lobelia Blue Trailing	Blue	£3.60
Lobelia Mixed Trailing	Mixed	£3.60
Lobelia Blue Upright	Blue	£3.60
Lobelia White Upright	White	£3.60
Mesembryanthemum	Mixed	£3.60
Nemesia	Mixed	£3.20
Pansy	Mixed	£3.20
Petunia	Mixed	£3.20
Stocks	Mixed	£3.20
Verbena	Mixed	£3.20
Begonia Non-Stop	Mixed	£5.50
Geranium	Red	£5.50
Ivy Geraniums – Trailing	Various	£2.10
Begonia – Trailing	Assorted	£2.10
Fuchsia Trailing	Various	£2.10
Fuchsia Upright	Various	£2.10
Sweet Peas	Mixed	£1.75
Bacopa	Various	£2.10
Calibrachoa (Million Bells)	Various	£2.10
Trailing Petunia Pots	Various	£2.10
Rattan Hanging Baskets	12inch Mixed	£14.00
Surfinia Hanging Baskets	10inch Various	£12.00
Patio Planter	12inch Mixed	£14.50
Tomato	Moneymaker	£1.75
Tomato	Gardeners Delight	£1.75
Tomato Basket	Tumbler	£10.00
Cucumber	Fernspot	£2.50

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**Friday 28th March**

*Family Fun! Great Prizes!*

# **Easter Bingo**

**Hough Green Social Club**

**Eyes down at 7.00 pm**

**Doors open at 6.30pm**

**Includes FREE Kids Bingo too!**

