**St. Michael's C.E. Primary School** Learning together through love, friendship, forgiveness and faith.

Number 7

VEWSLETTER

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents, Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the half term break and feel ready and refreshed for the busy term ahead; there are some exciting events planned to provide the children with rich learning opportunities and feelings of awe and wonder.

**On Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, Falconry** UK are visiting St Michael's for the children to learn about the history of falconry and discover interesting facts about a range of birds of prey. If you have a question of your own, please send this in with your child ahead of the visit. We want to encourage lots of discussion and deeper understanding of these magnificent creatures.

The company offer the opportunity for children to have individual photos taken with the birds. The cost is  $\pm 3$  per child per bird. If you are interested, please send cash in on the day in an envelope. Photos will be returned to school during the following week.

Thanks to the generosity of the PTA, KS1 and KS2 will be going to the pantomime at Windsor Theatre to see Sleeping Beauty on Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup>. The school is asking for a contribution of £10 per child towards the cost of the coach and theatre tickets. A letter requesting permission will follow



shortly.

It is important for parents and carers to note that the children in KSI and KS2 will leave school after lunch and <u>arrive</u> <u>back at St Michael's around</u> <u>4pm</u>.

We are aware that a pantomime

experience can be unsettling for our youngest children. For this reason, Reception children should be collected from school on this day at 1pm.

Children will be having lunch at school before we leave - this is likely to be a packed lunch. More details to follow in the letter.

In the morning, the whole school will be attending St Michael's Church at 9.30am for our end of term Christmas service. Please join us.

Kind regards

Mrs Anderton - Headteacher

#### SCHOOL CLUBS

Registration for new clubs is now available to book. <u>Click here to book a club</u>.

This Week's Awards

#### Well done to Sparrow Class For 100% attendance!

In accordance with other Royal Borough schools we aim for 96.5%.

## The following children received certificates for being **Responsible**'

- Year 6: Joe / Maisy
- Year 5: Tom / Sienna
- Year 4: Jessica / Jo-Jo
- Year 3: Maddie / Max
- Year 2: James / Bella S
- Year 1: Poppy / Oliver

Reception: Amber / Charlotte

#### The Golden Tickets went to:

- Year 6: Marli / Sophia
- Year 5: Lola / Anaya
- Year 4: Azure / Xanthe
- Year 3: Francis / Emily
- Year 2: Molly / Bella S
- Year 1: Daniel / Hannah
- Reception: Charlie / Lilah



HOUSE POINTS WINNER: Blue



#### **CLASS NEWS**

#### By Jenna and Hannah S.

Last week (the week before half term!), Year 6 were learning about the fascinating world of light. First, we learnt about how light travels and



reflects off objects and into our eyes. Later on in the week, we made periscopes out of cereal boxes to teach us about reflection and the

angle of incidence and angle of reflection. We used a torch and black card to show this. A fun experiment which taught us about refraction was where we looked at



objects through water. We found out that Sir Isaac Newton discovered the colour spectrum and we used prisms and torches to recreate his

'Crucial Experiment'. Finally, we made shadow puppets to look like Sir Isaac Newton and Robert Hook (another Scientist) and then created an enactment to show how much they disliked each other and their differences in opinions about light. We really enjoyed learning about light and can't wait for the next Science week!

This week's Roald Dhal class assembly was from Year 2 (Sparrow class)



#### PTA NEWS



## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 11:30am to 2pm

Raffle tickets will go on sale this week. We would be very grateful if you could support our school by buying these or selling them to friends and neighbours.

# PLEASE return all unwanted raffle tickets to the office so we can sell them at the fair.

Hamper donations needed please. Your class rep will organise a box for your donations from Monday onwards.



Non-Uniform Day in exchange for a **bag of sweets** will be on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** 

Non-Uniform Day in exchange for **a bottle** will be on **Friday 24th**<sup>th</sup> **November** 

Good condition teddies wanted for the pull-acuddly stall, please drop these in at the office.



Finally, there will be a cake sale at the Christmas Fair, so we are looking for cake donations either on Friday before or the day itself please.

As always, many thanks in advance. <u>Click for PTA Information</u>



### Highlighted text indicates new information

| Important Dates to Remember     |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| NOVEMBER                        |   |
| Weds 8 <sup>th</sup>            | Year 6 Class Assembly 9am                                     |
| Weds 15 <sup>th</sup>           | Year 3 Class Assembly 9am                                     |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>            | Non-uniform day (bring in a bag of sweets for Christmas Fair) |
| Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup>           | Year 5 Class Assembly 9am                                     |
| Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>          | Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9:30am                   |
| Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>            | Non-uniform day (bring in a bottle for Christmas Fair)        |
| Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>            | SCHOOL XMAS FAIR 11:30-2pm                                    |
| Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>           | Falconry UK visit school                                      |
| Weds 29 <sup>th</sup>           | Year 4 Class Assembly 9am                                     |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>          | Tree Trimming Reception and KS1 9.10am                        |
| DECEMBER                        |   |
| Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>             | Tree Trimming KS2 9.10am                                      |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>             | Flu Vaccinations in School                                    |
| Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>           | 9.30 Reception Nativity to Parents                            |
| Thurs 7th                       | 5pm Years 3 and 4 Xmas Production                             |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 15th | I Sing Pop in School  |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>            | KS1 Xmas Play Cordes Hall 2pm                                 |
| Weds 13 <sup>th</sup>           | KS1 Xmas Play Cordes Hall 5pm                                 |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>            | Christmas-I Sing Pop Concert St Michael's Church 5pm          |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>            | Class Christmas Parties                                       |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>           | Church Service 9.30am   |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>           | Years 1-6 School Panto PM                                     |
|                                 | (Reception pupils to be collected at 1pm)                     |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>           | TERM ENDS   |
| JANUARY                         |   |
| Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup>            | Inset Day   |
| Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup>           | First day back to school<br>FEBRUARY                          |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>             |   |
| <b>111 7</b>                    | End of term 3:15pm  |