NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Carers,

Ofsted Inspection

As you are aware Ofsted have made a Section 8 inspection of St Michael's last week. The inspectors report and final judgement will be available for parents to read shortly.

Meanwhile, I would like to share with you how immensely proud I am of how all the children conducted themselves and behaved throughout the inspection process. We were not blessed with particularly good weather, playtimes were cut short and still the behaviour was exemplary. There was evidence in abundance to demonstrate how they follow our 6Rs. They are a credit to themselves, their families and their school.

Thank you to all those parents who took the time to complete the 'Parent View' online questionnaire. Overall, the results are extremely positive and it is very uplifting for all staff to hear how many parents appreciate the effort and commitment made to ensure the best outcomes for the children in our care.

Coronavirus

The school is following guidelines and any updated information made available from the DfE on a daily basis. We will notify parents and carers immediately of any action(s) we are advised to take.

None of our staff have confirmed with me that they visited anywhere relevant at February half-term so we currently have nobody who has been in contact with the virus in this way.

Please contact the school office if you are concerned about any contact your family may have had with the virus.

The following links may also be helpful to some parents.

Department for Education coronavirus helpline

The Department for Education coronavirus helpline is now available to answer questions about COVID -19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687 Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Where to find the latest information Updates on COVID-19: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

http://www.wseh.info/drupal-6.28/

Cross Country Event at The Marist

Thank you to all those parents and carers who supported the cross country race event at The Marist on Wednesday, after school.

St Michael's came second, overall in all categories and 3 of our children received medals for their year group event.

All those who participated showed great enthusiasm, stamina and determination. All were a credit to their school and many were excited to learn of local running clubs they could join in the future.

Pupils from The Marist referenced two main clubs; their web links are shown below:

https://www.bracknellac.com/

http://www.wseh.info/drupal-6.28/

Kindest regards

L Anderton

Headteacher

AWARDS

The following children were awarded a



certificate for being "Responsible"

Year 6 India & Seb

Year 5 Mimi & Lola

Year 4 Layla & Anish

Year 3 Dylan & Jessica S

Year 2 Jack T & Evie

Year 1 Jesse & Nina-Grae

Reception Whole Class



Housepoints

Green House



Attendance Award

Year 1



Golden Tickets

Year 6 Raphael & Maya

Year 5 Cru & Lola

Year 4 Isabella & Luke

Year 3 Lola & Ollie

Year 2 Amber & Luke

Year 1 Finn & Freya

Reception Max & Lillian



Golden Spoon

Key Stage 1 Sparrow Class - for their lovely

manners

Key Stage 2 Dove Class - for being polite

Making a wildlife bird table

Yesterday morning, Dr Deborah Harvey, from Royal Holloway University, came in and we were fascinated that she was a doctor, with a PHD for studying insects.

As it is Spring, all the birds' eggs are hatching so they need food for themselves and their chicks. With only a broomstick handle, four plastic plates, masking tape, electric tape, two metal coat hangers, a plastic board and cable ties – we made a bird table!

We found it fascinating; everyone took part making sure everything was a good as can be. Within 20 minutes, we had made three bird tables! It was a super-speedy make, much faster than when we made tin foil boats (Miss Fuller reminded us of this!). We also have two camera traps, which we will be putting up. We can't wait to see what evidence of biodiversity we see throughout Spring!





Sophia King, Year 5 Dove Class

The return of Marvin!







This week it's Science Week at school and Years 1, 2 & 5 were visited by Miss Fuller's rabbit, Marvin.

The children discovered many facts about rabbits as well having the opportunity to pet Marvin.

Marvin behaved impeccably throughout his stay and all the children hope he'll return to school again soon!







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Important Dates	
MARCH	
Friday 13th March	Mother's Day secret present room (please complete form for your child to participate)
Friday 13th March	Focus group—changes to relationships and sex education—9.00am
Wednesday 18th March	Year 2 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Friday 20th March	Happy School Bag Collection
Saturday 21st March	Bingo—School Hall 5.00pm—7.30pm SOLD OUT
Wednesday 25th March	Year 1 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Thursday 26th March	Years 3 & 4 Play—3.30pm
Friday 27th March	Year 4 cake sale
APRIL	
Wednesday 1st April	Reception Class Assembly—9.05am Parents invited
Thursday 2nd April	PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Thursday 2nd April	9.30am Easter Service—St Michael's Church
Friday 3rd April	End of term—School finishes at 2.00pm
MONDAY 6TH APRIL TO FRIDAY 17TH APRIL—EASTER HOLIDAY	
Monday 20th April	INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st April	Children return to school
Monday 27th—Wednesday 29th April	Year 5 Residential Trip
MAY	
Friday 8th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 22nd May	End of term—School finishes at 3.15pm

Important Dates continued MONDAY 25TH MAY TO FRIDAY 29TH MAY—HALF TERM JUNE Monday 1st June INSET DAY Tuesday 2nd June Children return to school JULY Saturday 4th July School Summer Fair (more details to follow) Wednesday 22nd July End of term—School finishes at 2.00pm



We're offering your child's school the chance to win a **Zest 4 Leisure Planter**, **Westland Peat Free Compost** & a selection of **Unwins Little Grower Seeds**!

To nominate them, all you have to do is head to your local Longacres Facebook page and comment with the name of their school on the competition post - it's as simple as that! At the end of the competition we will use a random number generator to select our winner. That means the more parents nominate their child's school, the better chance they have of winning!

This competition is running on our <u>Longacres Bagshot</u>, <u>Longacres Bybrook</u>
<u>Barn</u>, <u>Longacres Chelmsford</u> and <u>Longacres Shepperton</u> pages, with a planter, compost and seeds up for grabs on each page! Be sure to head to your local Longacres Facebook page to enter - and good luck!

https://www.longacres.co.uk/blog/nominate-your-childs-school-and-win-them-a-planter-compost-and-seed/