



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

Number 6

NEWSLETTER

20th October 2017



The staff and governors at St Michael's would like to wish our families a very happy Diwali.



Dear Parents, Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many families and friends of St Michael's at our Harvest service in church this morning. Thank you to all those parents who helped with the walking to church on such a blustery morning! The children raised the roof with their singing and delighted us all with their paintings and poems. Year 6 did a splendid job orchestrating the whole event. It was so uplifting to watch them confidently address the congregation with such presence.

Thank you also to everyone for the generous food donations; we have arranged for these to be collected by a food bank in Bracknell. It is so important for our children to have the opportunity to enjoy, and recognise the value of considering and giving to others.

On the subject of generosity and thoughtfulness, this year we will continue the school's tradition of packing 'Shoebox Gifts' for children around the world at Christmas. Please

check your child's book bag for information about how to pack the boxes. Thank you.

Parent Conferences

These were very well attended. At St Michael's, in the interests of the children's well-being and education, we recognise the importance establishing and maintaining strong home/school links. If, for any reason, you couldn't make or keep an appointment, please speak to your child's class teacher or the office, to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet after half term.

On behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to wish all our children and families a restful half term break.

Mrs Anderton - Headteacher



This Week's Awards

**Well done to Kingfisher Class
for 99.4% attendance!**

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

The following children received certificates
for being 'Rational'

Year 6: Sophia / Chloe
 Year 5: Lewis / Beatriz
 Year 4: Xanthe / Henry
 Year 3: Ruby / Maisy
 Year 2: Abigail / Maxim
 Year 1: Louis / Alex
 Reception: Thomas / Scarlett

The Golden Tickets went to:

Year 6: Chloe / Theo
 Year 5: James / Beatriz
 Year 4: India / Olli
 Year 3: Alicia / Francis
 Year 2: Bella S/ Alfie
 Year 1: Harry B / Eliza
 Reception: Charlotte / Charlie

HOUSE POINTS WINNER: Yellow





CLASS NEWS

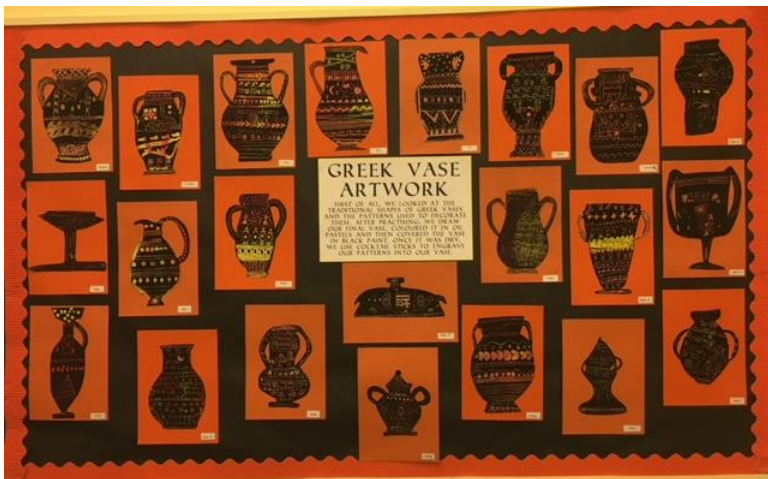
We have had a very busy and exciting first term in Year 5 and can't believe seven weeks have already passed. We had to use our archaeology skills at the beginning of term to discover what our topic was: Greek Myths and Legends.



We have been reading the stories of Pandora's Box and Theseus and the Minotaur and look forward to reading a few more next term.



We have also learnt how to write our name in Greek, created some amazing Greek vase artwork and mosaics which are all fantastic!



We have started to play the P-Bone in our weekly music lessons with Mr Lowe from Maestros. We are all doing really well, have already learnt a few songs and have been developing our skills to read music.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

St Michael's school council had their first meeting last week. The children enthusiastically discussed many ideas they had for the school. Concerns about managing lost property were discussed and the council members wanted to remind parents to label all children clothing and belongings please. Sophia K (Y3) suggested a box kept in the playground for water bottles found around school which were not named. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea so a box will be kept outside next to the large green lost property box. The children will be organising a class school council suggestion box design competition and they have some exciting ideas for future fund raising, community and charity events.

This week, the school council composed an End of Day Prayer which all classes now use.

St Michael's End of Day Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for the wonderful day we have enjoyed together through all our love, friendship, forgiveness and faith. When things get tough we will try our best to remember the 6R's and never give up. Thank you for the fantastic learning and worship that takes place at our kind and caring school. Amen.





PTA NEWS

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Reception will hold the first class cake sale on **Tuesday 31st October** after school.

Saturday 25th November
11:30am to 2pm



Your Class Reps will be communicating full details including requests for help to man stalls shortly.

Wheelbarrow Race Day - St Michael's will be the starting point and base for all those involved with organising the wheelbarrow race in Sunninghill village on January 1st 2018. The PTA will be providing bacon rolls and hot drinks prior to the race. Let's show our support for our local Rotary Club by taking part.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Registration for new clubs beginning after half term (week commencing 31st October) is now available to book. [Click here to book a club.](#)



All you do is just fill in the entry form along with the £10 entry fee payable by cheque or by Bankers transfer: Barclays Sort Code: 20-02-53 Account number: 10764884 (Please state your team name)

[Click here for Entry and Sponsorship Forms](#)

Return by email: robinpickup@hotmail.com

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for children, young people and parents

[Parents' Share programme](#) (please click link to open)

Please do join us if you can on the first Friday or third Wednesday of the month. Our meetings provide an opportunity to meet other parents, ask questions or share concerns and, we hope, pick up some useful information too.

Generally, there is no need to let us know if you are coming, just show up if you want to. For some Wednesday sessions, however, we may have limited capacity, in the which case we will ask you to book a place in advance.

As always, we would be happy to hear any suggestions you may have for future Parents' Share meetings so do, please, contact us with your ideas.

We look forward to seeing you.

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Highlighted text indicates new information

Important Dates to Remember	
OCTOBER	
Mon 23 rd	HALF TERM - 1 week
Mon 30 th	INSET day
Tues 31 st	Cake Sale 3:15pm
NOVEMBER	
Weds 1 st	2pm Ascot School's Football-Girls Yr 5
Weds 1 st	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am
Weds 8 th	Year 6 Class Assembly 9am
Weds 15 th	Year 3 Class Assembly 9am
Fri 17 th	Non-uniform day (bring in a bag of sweets for Christmas Fayre)
Weds 22 nd	Year 5 Class Assembly 9am
Thurs 23 rd	Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9:30am
Fri 24 th	Non-uniform day (bring in a bottle for Christmas Fayre)
Sat 25 th	SCHOOL XMAS FAIR 11:30-2pm
Weds 29 th	Year 4 Class Assembly 9am
Thurs 30 th	Tree Trimming Reception and KS1 9.10am
DECEMBER	
Fri 1 st	Tree Trimming KS2 9.10am
Mon 4 th	Flu Vaccinations in School
Thurs 7 th	9.30 Reception Nativity to Parents
Thurs 7 th	5pm Years 3 and 4 Xmas Production
Mon 11 th - Fri 15 th	I Sing Pop in School
Mon 11 th	KS1 Xmas Play Cordes Hall 2pm
Weds 13 th	KS1 Xmas Play Cordes Hall 5pm
Fri 15 th	Christmas-I Sing Pop Concert St Michael's Church 5pm
Mon 18 th	Class Christmas Parties
Tues 19 th	Church Service 9.30am
Tues 19 th	Years 1-6 School Panto PM (Reception pupils to be collected at 1pm)
Tues 19 th	TERM ENDS