



# NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents, Carers,

The whole school community should feel immensely proud of the support, encouragement and resilience demonstrated during this challenging start to the school year.

A half term break is well deserved by all, especially the children. We are immensely proud of how they have adjusted to the necessary restrictions in school and their ability to overcome any issues and find possibilities. A perfect example is young children, without the usual access to a range of playtime equipment, using the playground markings to invent 'new games'.

Being outside at playtime with the children, hearing their laughter, listening to their stories is so uplifting provides a real lesson in happiness and is the perfect antidote to all the current issues, beyond our school gates.

#### The Scarecrow Trail

A huge thank you to the PTA and Tina Wizard for organising such a fun fundraising event for the school. This tremendous effort has allowed us to welcome Scott back to St Michael's, to choreograph our 'Strictly Christmas Show', during the first week of December. Staff are as excited as the children; we are digging out our dancing shoes and hoping to lift the glitter ball and scoop the winner's prize.

On behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a restful half term.

Warmest regards,

Headteacher











# AWARDS



The following children were awarded a certificate for being "RESOURCEFUL"

Year 6 Whole Class

Year 5 Connie & Theo

Year 4 Elizabeth & Caitlin

Year 3 Whole Class

Year 2 Whole Class

Year 1 Whole Class

Reception Isla & Ronnie



Housepoints

**GREEN** House





## **MEET OUR PUMPKIN EXPERTS!**







Robin class have had an amazing first half term in school, finishing their learning with the story of Pumpkin Soup. They have really enjoyed their exciting learning based on it. They are now experts at naming the different parts of a pumpkin, and they have conducted lots of investigations using the variety of pumpkins we have in class; weighing them, ordering, measuring and comparing them. But their favourite activity without a doubt had to be scooping out the pumpkins and feeling the inside, exploring this through sensory play. They now cannot wait to make their own pumpkin soup!



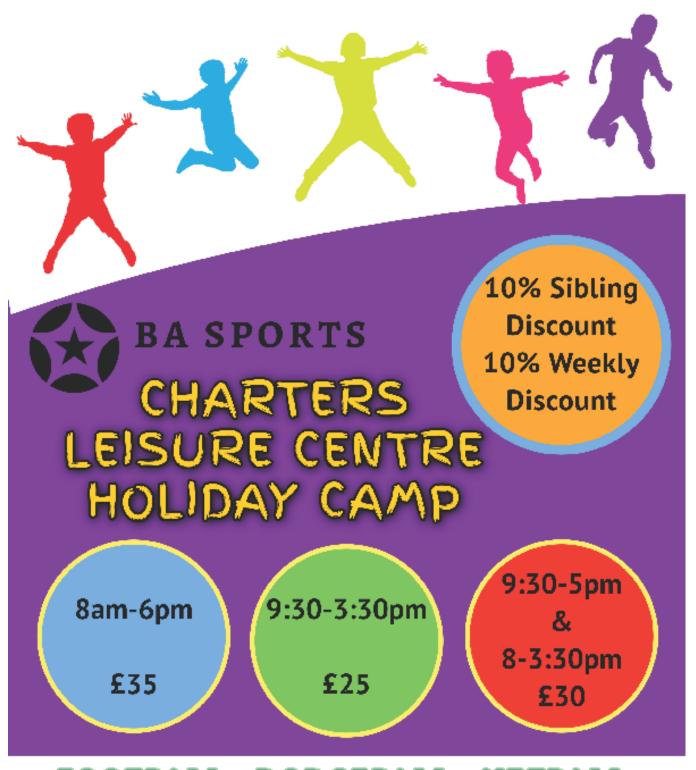












FOOTBALL. DODGEBALL. NETBALL HOCKEY. ARTS & CRAFTS. GYMNASTICS ARCHERY. LASER TAG. SCOOTERS

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# Back to school

....but not back to normal



### Let's get walking and scooting

The current pandemic has been a tough time for everyone, however one of the benefits has been the amount of families who have taken up more exercise.

To avoid congestion and keep up a healthy lifestyle, walking and scooting to school is a great way to start and end the school day.

#### Starting Out

Teaching your child basic road safety is key to keeping them safe on your journey to and from school. Repeating daily instructions on how to cross the road will eventually sink in



and will mould the way they behave when they are older and start to travel independently.

- Plan ahead Check your route to school and find the safest route for you and your child(ren). There may be short cuts and alleyways that you are unaware of if you normally travel by car.
- If possible find less trafficked routes and look for good crossing places; away from
  junctions, bends and obstacles that prevent you from having a clear view of the road for
  some distance.
- Remember, your children are like sponges, observing everything that you do. If you pay
  more attention to your phone than the road, they will learn that same behaviour. If you
  disregard safe crossing places and pay little attention to the road, so too will your child.
- Teach them well and show them how to behave around the roads and allow them to develop these essential life skills to keep them safe.

#### **Essential road safety**

The Green Cross Code is simple and effective. It can literally save lives. Follow the three rules of the Green Cross Code and it will help you across the road every time.

THINK: Find a safe place to cross

STOP: Behind the kerb

LOOK & LISTEN: All around



Take time to explain to your child why you have chosen a specific place to cross the road. Ask your child to help you decide when it is safe to cross. Always walk across the road.



# Events



## Join us LIVE online for fun interactive **ZOOLAB sessions!**

Tuesday 27 October Thursday 29 October 11.00am

FOR AGES 4—6

ZOO ON THE BROOM

4.15pm

**SPOOKY FACTS** FOR AGES 7—9

Chat with a ranger and experience animal encounters live online.

£2.00 per child

Bookings taken in the library or online at tickets.windsor.gov.uk/sales/zoolab

You will be sent a link to watch the live show in Teams.



Important Dates		
OCTOBER		
Friday 23rd October	Scarecrow Hair Mufti Day £1 donation (Fundraiser)	
Friday 23rd October	Bags for school—Textile recycling (Fundraiser)	
Friday 23rd October	Term ends	

#### HALF TERM—Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2020

Monday 26th October to Saturday 1st November— Scarecrow Trail (Fundraiser)

Don't forget to purchase a trail map from one of the listed village shops.

NOVEMBER		
Monday 2nd November	Children return to School	
DECEMBER		
Friday 11th December	Christmas Jumper day	
Friday 18th December	Term ends	
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY—Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January		
JANUARY		
Monday 4th January	Inset Day	
Tuesday 5th January	Children return to School	
FEBRUARY		
Friday 12th February	Inset Day	
HALF TERM —Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February		
Monday 22 February	Inset Day	
Tuesday 23rd February	Children return to school	



Important Dates continued		
APRIL		
Thursday 1st April	Term ends	
SPRING HOLIDAY—Friday 2nd April to Friday 16th April		
Monday 19th April	Children return to school	
MAY		
Monday 3rd May	Bank Holiday	
Friday 28th May	Term ends	
MAY HOLIDAY— Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June		
JUNE		
Monday 7th June	Children return to school	
JULY		
Friday 23rd July	Term Ends for children	