

St Michaels CE Primary School

Wednesday 4th February 2026

Newsletter



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY
SA Valentine's Disco
- TUESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY
Ducklings & KS1 Drama Workshop
- WEDNESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY
Year 1 Toy Making
- THURSDAY 12TH FEBRUARY
Last day of this Half Term
- FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY
Inset Day
- MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
Pupils return to School
- THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY
Year 1 & 2 Wood Walk
- THURSDAY 12TH MARCH
Choral Day Away
(Choir group Year 5)
- FRIDAY 13TH MARCH
Ducklings Class Visit Offsite
- MONDAY 16TH MARCH
Year 4 Class Visit Offsite
- TUESDAY 17TH MARCH
Year 2 Class Visit Offsite
- WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH
Year 5 Residential Visit Departs
- FRIDAY 20TH MARCH
Year 5 Residential Visit Returns
Year 6 Maths Team @
Maths Olympics
- TUESDAY 24TH MARCH
Rocksteady Easter Concert
- WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH
Easter Service
Parents Evening
- THURSDAY 26TH MARCH
Parents Evening
- FRIDAY 27TH MARCH
End of Term - Finish at 1:30pm

Message from the Head of School

We are so proud of the creativity of St Michael's curriculum, it's been a busy month and here are some of the highlights from this week!

In the Ducklings classroom there is so much evidence of their learning this week on Chinese New Year.

Year 1 are enjoying their Toys topic and looking forward to their parent craft session next week when they will be making toys.

We've been so impressed by Year 2 children's creativity in writing using the book "The Ugly Five" by Julia Donaldson. Feel free to ask your child which animal was their favourite—they have lots to say!

The science topic on fossils has sparked the enthusiasm of year 3.

Thank you to the parents of year 4 for bringing the children into school early for multiplication practice in preparation for their test in the summer. Mr Parsons and Mrs Lyne are already seeing the children's progress from attending these sessions.

The children in Year 5 have been diving into the world of dragon adventure stories, combining their vivid imagination, descriptive language, and creative thinking. We look forward to sharing some finished stories with you soon!

Within their topic of WW1, Year 6 have created silhouette pictures and propaganda posters in their art lessons. I'm sure you would agree they are striking!

Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the winners of the Headteacher Award through out January, keep shining your light!



Year 5/6 Indoors Athletic Event



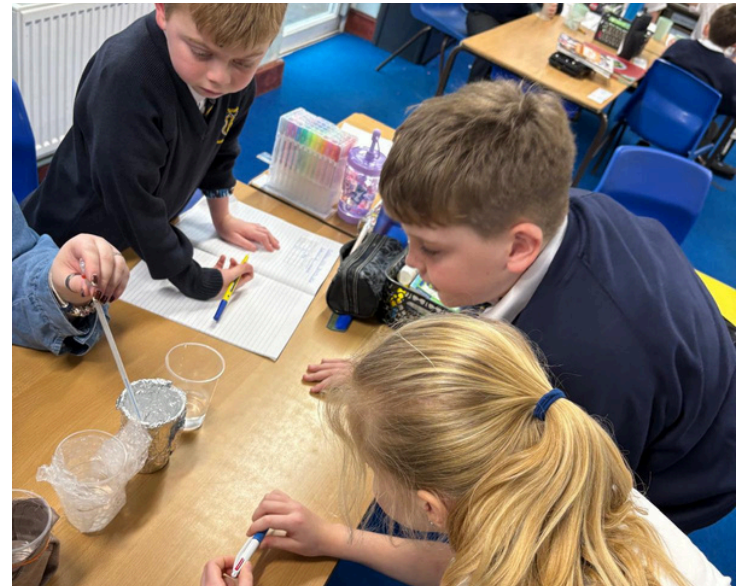
Year 5 & 6 Online Safety

Year 5 have just had their online safety talk from PC Grant which included Cyber Bullying. If this prompts any further discussion at home please don't hesitate to contact us if necessary.

Year 6 will have their online safety talk from PC Grant on Wednesday which will include Cyber Bullying. If this prompts any further discussion at home afterwards please don't hesitate to contact us if necessary.

Year 5 Science

Last week Year 5 carried out a science experiment testing materials for insulation of heat.



Year 6 WW1 Propoganda Posters



Parking on St Michaels Road

We have been asked to remind parents / carers about parking considerately, respecting residents property and surroundings, especially the grass verges. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this.

Reminder of No Nuts

A reminder that children should not have nuts in their packed lunch. Please check ingredients before including items in their lunch.

Online Autism Course

GEMS serves families who live or whose GP is based in East Berkshire (Slough, Windsor, Maidenhead, Bracknell). Whether you're early in exploration, awaiting assessment, or seeking strategies for everyday life post diagnosis, we welcome you.

We have just released a new date for our **3-part Autism Course**.

A 3-week Autism Course for parents & carers of children up to the age of 18. Hosted by Parenting Special Children.

Topics Covered

What is autism?
Sensory differences, anxiety and behaviour.
Strategies and supporting the child.
Assessment overview.
Signposting and support available.



Dates

Tuesday 10th, 17th & 24th March 2026 from 7pm - 9pm

Booking link: <https://parentingspecialchildren.co.uk/events/autism-course-berkshire-east-march-2026/>

If this is not the support you are seeking, please view our website to view all different support options.

<https://www.gems4health.com/>

Pilates with Cristina

Cristina runs Mixed Ability Pilates classes every Wednesday at 6pm and 7pm in the school Hall. Suitable for all levels, these sessions focus on strength, mobility, posture, and controlled movement, with clear options offered so everyone can work safely and effectively. Check out Cristina's [Facebook](#) or Instagram @pilates_with_cristina for more information, or feel free to contact her on 07920094930.

Numbots

It has been fantastic to see so many children across Ducklings and KS1 using NumBots. It has been wonderful hearing the different levels children have reached and how many coins they have collected. Well done and keep it up!

We would love to see even more children using NumBots at home and just a few minutes a day, four times a week will really help develop your child's number fluency and support them with their learning.

Many thanks, The KS1 and Early Years Team

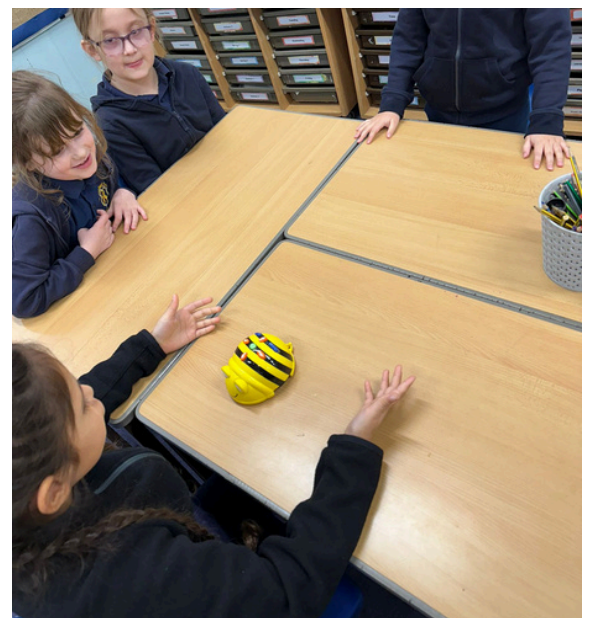


RWI

It's great to see so many families using our Read, Write Inc QR codes and links to support Reading at home. Please don't forget to log onto Oxford Owl where you can access a wonderful collection of books to read online and Read, Write Inc books at your child's current colour level. Regular reading plays a vital role in children's success throughout their academic journey. With this in mind, we would like to take the opportunity to invite parents, grandparents or other family members to join our fantastic team of volunteers to come into St Michael's Primary School to hear our children read. If this is something you feel able to commit to on a regular basis (ideally weekly), please contact Ms Squires in the school office and Mrs Baker will be in touch.

Year 2 Computing

This week Year 2 have had fun making predictions and programming the BeeBots in their computing lessons as an introduction to coding.





St Michael's School Governors are recruiting!

Make a real difference to children's lives

School governors play a vital role in shaping the future of our school. They work together with the Headteacher and staff to make key decisions, support school improvement, and ensure that every child gets the best possible education.

What does being a governor involve?

- Attending meetings approximately each half term (usually in the evening) with the planner and dates set a year in advance to help with busy diaries
- Visiting the school to see how things work in practice – these visits are not often and can be arranged around your own schedule in liaison with the school
- Working with other governors to set the school's vision, priorities, and policies
- Supporting and challenging the school's leadership team
- As a governor you will have the opportunity to be strategically involved in the future direction of the school- this is a great opportunity for you to be involved in your local school and community.

Who can apply?

You don't need to be an education expert – just someone who cares about children's education and wants to make a positive impact in the local community. We welcome applications from all backgrounds and experiences. Training and support are provided.

What's in it for you?

- Did you know that volunteering can benefit communities and those who choose to help? It can enrich your life (and your CV!) whilst helping your local school community. Be part of a friendly and dedicated team.
- Gain valuable skills in leadership, strategy and teamwork, you may also have skills that are useful to the governing body; please do get in touch to find out more!
- Full training is provided and is all available online.

This is your chance to be a Community champion- become a governor and shine your light!

If you think you would like to help or to find out more please contact the school or email the Clerk (clerk@st.michaels-school.org) or for more information you can contact the Chair of Governors (chairofgovernors@st-michaels-school.org)

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
INVITES YOU TO OUR..

Valentine's Disco



MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

**KS1
3:15 - 4:45PM**

**KS2
5 - 6:30PM**

£7 INCLUDES A DRINK & SNACKS

[Sign your children up here!](#)

Valentine's Treat Stall

Don't forget we will be selling baked treats and Valentine's goodies on Friday 6th and Thursday 12th February after school!