

St Mike's

Shoutout

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Diary Dates February

- Monday 16th to Friday 20th - Half Term Holiday - School Closed
- Monday 23rd - Happy Days Student Photo's
- Friday 27th - EYFS Fens Falconry Trip, 9.15am - 3pm

March

- Monday 2nd - Year 3 Parent Reading Cafe, 9.30 - 11am
- Thursday 5th - World Book Day- come to school dressed as your favourite book character.
- Bedtime Stories and The Big Book Quiz information TBC.
- Friday 6th - Year 2 Fine Shade Woods Trip, 9am - 3pm
- Thursday 12th - Football and Netball Match away at Heritage Park, 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Friday 13th - Year 4 Globe Theatre Trip, 9am - 5.30pm
- Tuesday 17th - Year 1 Castles & Maths Parent Reading Cafe, 9.30 - 11am
- Wednesday 18th - Wednesday 25th - Bookfair in school
- Thursday 19th - Year 3/4 Football Match home against Orton St John's, 2 - 3pm
- Friday 20th - EYFS Parent Reading Cafe, 9.30 - 11am
- Monday 23rd - Parent Consultations, 3.30 - 5.30pm
- Monday 23rd - Friday 27th - National Football Week
- Wednesday 25th - Parent Consultations, 3.30 - 7pm
- Thursday 26th - Year 1 Rockingham Castle Trip, 9.15am - 3.15pm
- Monday 30th - Friday 10th April - Easter Holiday - School Closed

Kung Hei Fat Choi



'Congratulations and may you be Prosperous' is the message that is shared this Chinese New Year. Here at St Michael's we shared in the celebrations of Chinese New Year by hosting a Chinese Themed school lunch. Special Thanks go to the amazing Wan family, whose son's moved onto Secondary school last year, for their generous donations of Fortune Cookies and Prawn Crackers for the whole school. We had music playing in the hall, tables decorated with the lucky colour of red too!

The children really entered into the spirit of the tradition and enjoyed

New Menu



Our menu is changing! We re always looking at ways to improve our lunch menu and based on our children's wishes, have made some adjustments. In addition to our yummy offerings we will be serving Pick 'n' Mix, Jacket potatoes and Tomato pasta every day. These changes will take place upon our return on Monday 23rd February. Please take a look at your Schoolgrid account to book your child/ren's meals.

YOUNGMINDS

1 min read

Parents and carers are often the first place young people go when they're struggling – whether that's relationships, school or their mental health.

However experienced you are, it can be hard to know the right thing to say when someone you love is hurting, or what next steps to take.

This Children's Mental Health Week, we want parents and carers to know that help's out there.

Our [Parents Helpline](#) advisors are just a click or phone call away with free, expert, confidential, 1-1 advice. And we have hundreds of [online guides](#) and [real stories](#) from parents who get it.

Here are some of the top concerns parents talk to us about:

[School avoidance](#)

[Talking to your child](#)

[Anxiety](#)

[Low mood](#)

Are you a parent or carer? [Let us know so we can better support you.](#)

Nobody should feel alone when someone they love is struggling – and you can help.

Out of school awards and achievements



A huge well done to Matilda this week on her Swimming level 8 award!



Don't forget to keep sending in awards and celebrations from outside of school. We would love to share them on the newsletter each week. You never know, you might inspire someone else to join your hobby/interest!



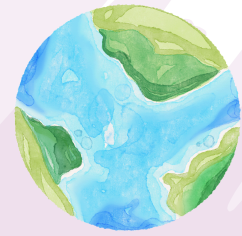
TTRockstars!!

Top 3 classes who have earned the most coins collectively on TTRS.

- 1st Place - Foxes - 64,879 coins
- 2nd Place - Ravens - 54,236 coins
- 3rd Place - Badgers - 60,932 coins

Please encourage your child to log in and use Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) regularly. It's a fantastic tool that really helps develop fluency and confidence with multiplication facts. If you are having any trouble logging in, please speak to your child's class teacher for support.

Reading Cafe's



This week saw the turn of our Year 6's Extreme Earth Parent Reading Cafe. Once again it proved to be a lovely event. These cafe sessions have been organised to enable parents to work alongside their children and are both interactive and informative for both children and parents alike.



Look out for your child's session coming up soon!



It's Year 3's turn next!

Toys Through Time



This half term, Year 1 have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our topic "Toys Through Time." The children have loved investigating both old and new toys, talking about the materials they are made from, and noticing how toys have changed over the years. One of the highlights was having the chance to test out the toys themselves—there was lots of teamwork, sharing, and excitement as the children played and compared how each toy worked.

We have also been busy diving into our class text, Traction Man. The children were captivated by his adventures and used their imaginations brilliantly to create their own version of the story. Together, we rewrote the tale of Traction Man being attacked by the Evil Dishcloth, and the children took great pride in publishing their very own stories. Their writing has been fantastic, and we are so proud of the effort, creativity, and enthusiasm they have shown.

Well done, Year 1—what a wonderful half term of learning!



Leavers Hoodies

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies are now available to order from our school uniform provider, Chroma Sports. Hoodies can be ordered directly via the [Chroma Website](#).

Prices start from £19.50, depending on the size required. During the checkout process, you will have the option to add your child's initials to the front of the hoody and chose from a selection of colours; black, blue, pink, white, red and purple.

Your Year 6 child will be permitted to wear their hoody to school from week commencing Monday 13th April 2026.



Year 6 PGL Residential 2027 (Current Year 5)

takes place on Wednesday 16th - Friday 18th June.

Book now to take advantage of the manageable payment plan.



Year 4

The children have completed a full term of swimming, and they have been absolutely fantastic! It has been a pleasure to watch them grow in confidence, resilience, and determination as they worked hard to reach their full potential.

We would also like to extend a big thank you to parents and carers for consistently ensuring the children were well-prepared for each session. Your support makes a huge difference. Finally, the Year 4 team would like to apologise for any occasions where items may have been mixed up or misplaced. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



This half term, Year 4 have been busy designing their very own Tudor stamps as part of an exciting printing project—and they have absolutely loved it! Their creativity, enthusiasm, and attention to detail have been wonderful to see.

Year 4, you are truly fantastic artists. Well done!