

St Mike's

Shoutout

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Diary Dates October

- Monday 19th - Year 1 Hamerton Zoo Trip
- Wednesday 21st (Yr4), Thurs 22nd (Yr2), & Fri 23rd (Y1) - Sponsored Colour Run
- Monday 26th - Friday 30th - Half Term Holiday

November

- Tuesday 3rd - Year 3 Peterborough Museum Trip
- Tuesday 3rd - New Reception 2027 Open Morning, 10 - 11am
- Wednesday 4th - Individual & Sibling 'Happy Days' School Photo's
- Wednesday 4th - Girls Football match, Away at Jack Hunt, 12 - 3pm
- Sunday 8th - Remembrance Service at St John's Church Stanground, 10.30am
- Monday 9th - Football National Tournament, 12.30 - 3pm
- Tuesday 10th - Whole School Flu Immunisations
- Tuesday 10 - Parent Consultations, 3.30 - 7pm
- Thursday 12th - Parent Consultations, 3.30 - 5.30pm
- Monday 16th - Hockey Match COPHC, 1.30 - 2pm
- Tuesday 17th - Year 5 & 6 Bletchley Park Trip
- Tuesday 24th - New Reception 2027 Open Morning, 10 - 11am
- Thursday 26th - PTA Disco, KS1 4.30 - 4.15pm and KS2 4.30 - 5.30pm



SEND Football



On Friday, St Michael's SEND football team played against Oakdale, something we have been working hard to arrange for quite some time. We hope this will become a regular opportunity for our children. The boys and girls played some fantastic football and showed great enthusiasm throughout.

For us, it's never been about winning. It's about taking part, enjoying the game and having the opportunity to play football. Every child who took part on Friday walked away with a smile on their face and, even better, the desire to do it all over again. And that, for us, is the real goal!



A massive well done to all the boys and girls who took part. You were amazing, and you should all be incredibly proud of yourselves!

A big thank you as well to the Year 6 boys and girls who came along to support and encourage both teams. Your support helped make the afternoon even more special.

FIDGET TOYS



At our school, fidget toys may be used to support children's learning when recommended by a relevant professional or deemed appropriate through teacher judgement. For safety reasons, we are **unable to allow fidget toys that contain liquid or slime**, as we cannot guarantee they will not cause harm due to toxins if they burst.

The school has purchased a range of suitable fidget toys, and it is preferable that children use these school-provided resources. These will be offered to children where appropriate and replaced as and when needed. If you have any questions about this, or wish to provide your own, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mr Owen - SENDCO.



Learning Walk

Year 1's Local Walk Around Cardea!



Year 1 had the best time exploring our local area on our walk around Cardea! As geography has been our topic throughout this half term, we loved the opportunity to bring our learning to life and see all the key places in our local community for ourselves.

As we explored, we ticked off each place on our Spot It list and carefully drew pictures to show what each place is used for and its purpose in our community. It was fantastic to see how much we already knew and to make real-life connections with our learning!

One of our favourite stops was Chicken Corner! Lots of us were excited to share that we had enjoyed yummy food from there before!

We had such a wonderful time learning about the place we call our local community. What a brilliant way to bring geography to life!

Out of school awards and achievements



Well done to Igor who took part in the 5km Great Eastern Run - we are so proud of you!



Well done Maison for representing and being the Captain for the U9's Cambridge United Academy who played against AFC Wimbledon at the weekend - Amazing!



Don't forget to keep sending in awards and celebrations from outside of school. You never know, you might inspire someone else to join your hobby/interest!



TTR Rockstars!!

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

- 1st Place - Swallows - 103,580 coins
- 2nd Place - Kestrels - 103,223 coins
- 3rd Place - Ravens - 43,673 coins

Please remember that TTRS is a homework requirement and encourage your child to log in and use Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) regularly. For our younger children we now use **NUMBOTS**. It's a fantastic tool that really helps develop fluency and confidence with number and multiplication facts. If you are having any trouble logging in, please speak to your child's class teacher for support.

Year 3 have been busy

In year 3, we have done some amazing writing for our Stone Age Boy topic. Our teachers are so proud of the expanded noun phrases we have used in our descriptive writing and the techniques we investigated to add suspense:

"For a moment everything went silent. Then the girl heard it... thump. Thump. Thump. There was an enormous, furry creature and a huge shadow covering the whole entrance of the cave. There was a roar that echoed through the cave. Cold sweat ran down her spine, and she realised that it was a bear. She darted around the cave while her stomach turned into tighter knots. The bear was causing her heart to race like a pack of hyenas sprinting as fast as they can."

"Slowly, a sharp clawed bear appeared out of the darkness. He had sharp, powerful claws, fluffy brown ears and enormous black eyes that pierced into me. His large scary mouth opened wide ready to eat me."

We have also been working hard on our assessment. It's been great to see everyone showing what they have learnt so far this year.

In Science, these past few weeks we have been learning about how fossils are formed. This week, we started to learn about Mary Anning who was one of the first paleontologists. Then we did excavating of delicious fossils. We had to be careful to not damage our fossils and use our tools carefully. Afterwards, we got to eat our fossils as fossil hunting is tiring work!

We have also had lots of fun in the colour run this week! Being allowed to be covered in paint was just the best!

Colour Fun Run

Wow what an amazing start to our fund raising efforts. Year 3 completed their sponsored fun run and came away covered in paint.

The children had such fun and I'm sure the one's throwing the paint had just as much fun as the ones being covered in it.

Lets hope they can raise as much as possible to go toward the purchasing of our much needed playground play equipment.



EYFS's Learning

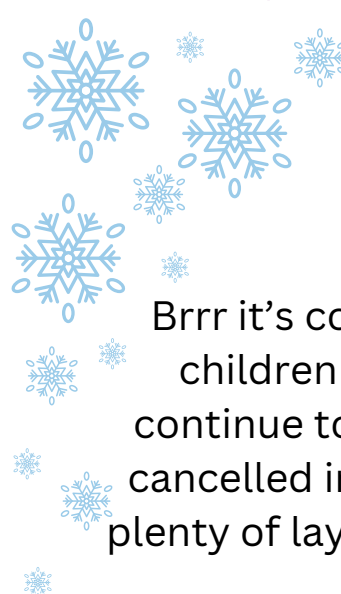
EYFS have continued to be very busy learning all about People Who Help Us! We've been finding out about the wonderful people who help us in our local community of Cardea and exploring what they do to help us every day.

We've also begun exploring the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We've identified the characters and setting and have been using story maps to help us orally retell the story in our own words.

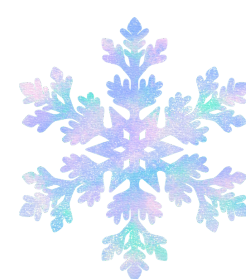
We're working really hard in phonics, learning more of our single-letter sounds and beginning to orally blend sounds together to hear and recognise words. We've also started learning how to write some of our letters, using our special letter formation phrases to help us remember how to form them correctly.

🚲 Outside, the fun continues! We're loving riding the bikes and scooters and working together to create our very own assault courses using crates, planks and stepping stones. We've also been exploring all things conker-related, rolling them, cleaning them and using them to make wonderful muddy creations and mud pies!

We're so proud of all the exploring, learning and progress the children are making!



Brrrrrrr..



Brrr it's cold outside. Please can we remind parent's to send their children to school with labelled coats, hats and gloves. P.E will continue to be held outside for the whole of winter and will only be cancelled in extreme weather conditions. Therefore we recommend plenty of layers to be worn as well as hats and gloves for some sports,