

# St. Michael's CE (VA) Junior School



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

## A message from Mrs Prigg



This week, I have really enjoyed seeing and hearing the year 3 children enjoying their maths lessons so much! as well as seeing year 6 embark on art work linked to sculptures. We enjoyed a superb World Book Day on Thursday and we were extremely proud of how the children embraced the challenge of making their favourite book character out of fruit and vegetables – the results were absolutely fantastic!!

## Important dates for your diary

### Spring Term:

16th March	Red Nose Day
17th March	St Patrick's Day
29th March	Year 4 parent meetings regarding Mersea residential (2pm and 5pm)
30th March	Easter Service at St Michael's Church (10am) - Parents are welcome
31st March	Last day of Spring term

### Dinner Menu

The menu after half term will be week 3 of the new Spring menu.

### Our website

Remember that you can access lots of important information on our website, which you may find useful. Please look on <http://st-michaels-jun.essex.sch.uk/>.

### Attendance

Well done to 5D for the highest attendance this week.

## **Safeguarding**

**Prime Drink** – Most of you will be aware of the interest in the Prime Drink promoted by Logan Paul and KSI. There is nothing wrong with this flavoured water drink and the demand for it has been tremendous. Someone pointed out to me this week that if a You Tuber can influence your children to become obsessed with a bottle of flavoured water, then they can probably influence them to do anything. That really made me think.

## **Foodcycle Chelmsford**

Foodcycle Chelmsford provides free hot meals for families every Thursday evening. There is no need to book – you can just turn up and eat.

[https://foodcycle.org.uk/location/foodcycle-chelmsford/?gclid=EAlaIqobChMizYL37fe\\_QIVTO3tCh3HyglYEAAYASAAEgl6ZvD\\_BwE](https://foodcycle.org.uk/location/foodcycle-chelmsford/?gclid=EAlaIqobChMizYL37fe_QIVTO3tCh3HyglYEAAYASAAEgl6ZvD_BwE)

## **Intergenerational Work – St Michael's as the hub for Galleywood's Dementia Friendly Community**

- 5J visited Manor Lodge on the 27th February. On this visit, the children played games with the residents including ping pong - this was great fun! The children also sung 'Million Dreams' beautifully to all the residents.
- Intergenerational Community Club visited Galleywood's Telephone Box Library on World Book Day. See pictures below.

## **Food Bank Donations**

Chelmsford Food Bank have asked for donations to begin again. Any donations can be dropped into the box in the main entrance. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

### **FOOD ITEMS**

- **INSTANT COFFEE—SMALL JARS**
  - **INSTANT MASHED POTATOES—LARGE SERVINGS**
  - **TINNED MEATS—EG CHICKEN IN SAUCE, CURRY, SPAG BOL, HOT DOGS, MEAT BALLS**
  - **TINNED FISH**
  - **TINNED VEGETABLES**
  - **SOUPS**
  - **SPONGE PUDDINGS**
  - **INSTANT CUSTARD PACKETS**
  - **CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE**
  - **JAM**
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- **MARMALADE**

### **NON-FOOD ITEMS**

- **WASHING UP LIQUID**

## All Things Reading!

### World Book Day 2023

We celebrated World Book Day as a school community on **Thursday 2nd March**. As I said to the children in our special assembly that day, the word of the day was: 'WOW!' The effort that went in to the fruit and vegetable book characters was so impressive – we were blown away! We had several 'Drop Everything and Read' sessions on the day, some classes took part in a live BBC lesson and we shared our sculptures as a whole school on the playground at the end of the day. It was certainly a wonderful display of our love of reading at St Michael's.



### Our Values Champions

Value Award



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**Congratulations to the following children who received a St Michael's Value Award over the last fortnight:**

These children have received a 'Love' Value Award: Edmund (3R) Casey (5J) Cian (3R)

These children have received a 'Respect' Value Award: Isla (3R)

These children have received a 'Faith' Value Award: Bella (4MB) Leo (4MB)

These children have received a 'Courage' Value Award: Freya (3R) Alyssa (5J)

## Times Table Rockstar Results

### Times Tables Rockstar Leader board – Week ending 20.01.23

	First	Second	Third
Year 3 most improved	Oliver B	Hollie L	Klara S
Year 3 most correct answers	Zakariya H	Bradley S	Lilly T
Year 4 most improved	Rhea P	Lewis N	Isabella S
Year 4 most correct answers	Henry M	Nyren I	Isabella S
Year 5 most improved	Mia WR	David O	Analia G
Year 5 most correct answers	Radinu W	Analia G	Aria G
Year 6 most improved	Callum S		
Year 6 most correct answers	Scarlet WN	Dougie C	Finn WN

Year 4	110
Year 5	104
Year 3	93
Year 6	31

### Visit to Galleywood's Telephone Box Library

Intergenerational Community Club visited the Galleywood Telephone Box Library on World Book Day. Councillor Richard Hyland joined us there as well as Abbey Richardson from the Parish Council. The children each borrowed a book and got some top tips on how to set up and maintain a book swapping system. What a wonderful way to spend a lunch-time!



This fortnight's prayer: *taken from the Prayer Tree (written by one of our children)*

*Dear God  
We thank you for food and water  
And the playground*

*Amen*

Another busy week in school – World Book Day was quite an event and there was a real buzz around school. Have a fantastic weekend.

Yours sincerely,  
*Mrs Orton*