



# ST. MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

9th June 2024

**Hello from the nursery team:  
Hilary, Jennie, Georgie, Kelly, Lizzie, Louise and Sophie**

Dear parents and carers,

This week at nursery we will continue with Mini Beasts. We will think about how certain mini beasts move and copy them. We will have resources to create dens or mini beast homes and use these for role play. We have name writing cards for our older children to practice writing their names and lacing boards for all children to continue developing their pencil grip. Children will also be busy creating a gift for Father's/Grandfather's day.

Fathers day breakfast ~ a special treat for all fathers or grandfathers, even if your child does not normally attend on a Friday, we invite father's or grandfather's to come together at nursery for a bacon roll (vegetarian option available) and coffee by the forest school fire on Friday 14th June. This is a great way to meet other dads and make some social links! Bacon should be cooked by 9am, so please do arrive a little earlier with your child. Please take extra care when arriving, as there will be little ones running around on the grass by the car park. We will need to clear up by 9.30. Please send an email to confirm attendance with Fathers Day in the subject line and let us know of any dietary specifics to help us cater appropriately.

Don't forget that parents can stay and play or come in to read a story, share a skill, play an instrument, run a puppet show at any time. Your child will love you spending some time with them at nursery and/or Forest School. You can usually do this on an ad hoc basis.

Are you a keen gardener, baker or crafter? As parents of a nursery child, you are welcome and encouraged to enter the Mickleham and Westhumble Horticultural show. The schedule is available by clicking on the following link: <http://mwhortsoc.org>

Please remember our EGM on Tuesday 18th June at 7pm.

The information that you need to join the meeting is as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87436303272?pwd=Ob87r3l9NeVg8BkLa7vOcNGdtKlmzl.1>

Meeting ID: 874 3630 3272

Passcode: 458269

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Finally, please accept our apologies if the end of term dates we have previously communicated are not clear.

Friday 19th July is the leavers party day for children starting school in September 2024 only. The final day of term for other children is Wednesday 17th (younger children sports day) or Thursday 18th (if your younger child normally attends on a Thursday).

If you are booking holiday during these final weeks of this term, please do let nursery staff know.

Hilary

**Diary Dates for Summer Term:**

Friday 14th June: Fathers' Day breakfast

Tuesday 18th June: EGM

Tuesday 25th June: New parents' social evening

Saturday 6th July: Mickleham and Westhumble Summer Fair

Wednesday 10th July: Nursery end of term show

Saturday 13th July: Mickleham and Westhumble Horticultural Show

Wednesday 17th July: Sports day ~ younger children

Thursday 18th July: Sports day ~ older children & End of Term (younger children)

Friday 19th July: End of Term - leavers' party

Date TBC: Parent's evening dates for leavers

# This week...

## Communication, Language & Literacy:

We have started learning the songs for our end of term play 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and you may well start to hear some of these at home. We are really looking forward to sharing them with you all!

Learning and singing songs and rhymes helps children develop their language, communication, listening and social skills - introducing them to rhyme, rhythm and repetition, increasing vocabulary - and of course it's fun to sing together!



## Number of the week:



## Woodland Wonder:

Did you know we make our own charcoal to mark make with at forest school? The children help us to whittle the bark off willow branches which are then cut to size and packed tightly into an old syrup tin which has holes punched in the lid. The tin is then put onto the fire, the willow burns and turns to charcoal.



## Star of the Day

Please take a photo or short video of something special that your child would like to share with us at nursery, and upload it to Tapestry.

**NB. please record videos in LANDSCAPE format (i.e. with phone/tablet held horizontally) so we are able to view them on the large screen.**

Monday 10th: Oscar M

Tuesday 11th: Nora

Wednesday 12th: Florka

Thursday 13th: Sienna

Friday 14th: Ossian

Our Star of the Day schedule is also displayed in the nursery window for future dates