

# ST MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

17th November 2024

**Hello from the nursery team:  
Hilary, Jennie, Faith, Justyn, Katie, Kelly, Lizzie, Louise and Sophie**

Dear parents and carers,

This week at nursery we will continue our build up to Christmas. Christmas trees will be a bit of a running theme this year. We are hoping to receive a delivery of mini bare rooted trees that your child will pot on and decorate to take home. If you are having a clear out of decorations that no longer fit your theme and are happy to gift these to nursery, we will recycle them to use on the children's trees. No glass baubles for obvious reasons! Thank you. Children are also busy making their clay tree decorations, and we will also have a collaborative craft tree at nursery.

Several children have expressed an interest in monster trucks so this week we will help them to create a monster truck course for our toy cars and small selection of (turn taking!) trucks. It is forecast to be a little chillier, so we will continue to have bikes out for physical play and suggest that children have a vest or base layer and come with named warm hats please. You may want to check spare clothing bags to make sure clothing still fits and is seasonally appropriate.

Lots of extra info from the Christmas fair fundraising committee attached!

Hilary

**Diary Dates:**

Saturday 7th December: St. Michael's Christmas Fair

Wednesday 18th December: Nursery Nativity and end of term

# This week...

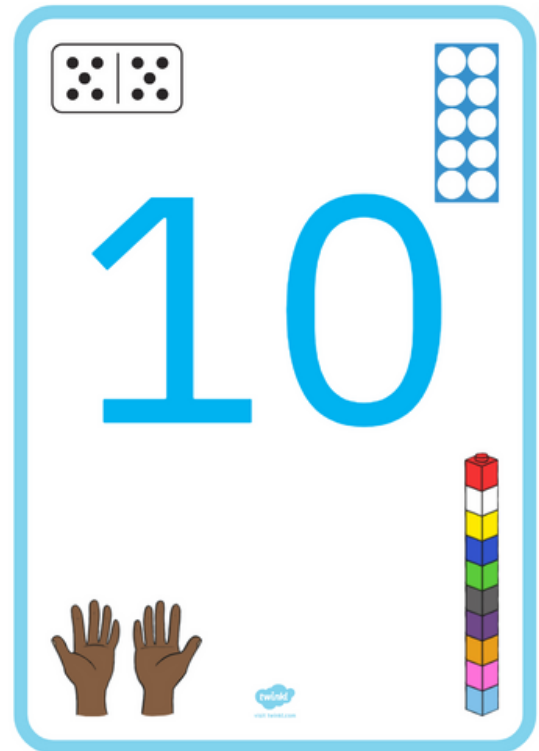
## Early Mathematics:

Simple games with matching cards, dice and dominoes will help your child to develop the building blocks to confidence in mathematics.

Board games, card games and other mathematical games will provide varied opportunities to recognise numbers, develop fast recognition of small groups of objects (without having to count each item), and recognise arrangements or patterns of dots on a dice or domino that represent a number...and all while having fun!



## Number of the week:



## Woodland Wonder:

As the weather starts to turn cold, it's a great opportunity to have a go at making these gorgeous icy sun-catchers. Fill a small dish with water, then collect a few natural objects (fallen leaves, pine cones, sticks, feathers) and add them to the water. Add a piece of string so you can hang it up. Leave the dish outside overnight and see if it has frozen in the morning.

A beautiful way to demonstrate how water changes depending on the temperature!



## Star of the Day

Please upload to Tapestry a photo or short video of something special that your child would like to share with us at nursery. Two or three photos/videos is plenty!

**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 18th: Freddie**

**Tuesday 19th: Alfie**

**Wednesday 20th: Sienna**

**Thursday 21st: No star today!**

**Friday 22nd: Dilan**

*Our star of the day schedule is also displayed in the nursery window for future dates*