



ST. MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

8th June 2025

Hello from the nursery team:

**Hilary, Jennie, Aimee, Eva, Faith, Hannah, Justyn, Katie,
Kelly, Lizzie, Louise and Sophie**

Dear parents and carers,

Please ensure you RSVP to the Father's Day Breakfast. We have only had two responses from last weeks newsletter. It isn't easy to judge if the newsletter is just not being read or if fathers/grandfathers are not able to attend!

Last week we introduced a new sensory play medium, Elasti sand, described as 'soft dry slinky slime'. It was very well received, and whilst some did traverse to the carpet, it does vacuum reasonably well, and didn't dry out during play. Children returned multiple times to immerse themselves in this new sensory experience!

This week at nursery, we will continue with our Gingerbread Man songs and may also start to act out some of the story. Children enjoyed creating picnics for our teddies last week so this week we are adding some new resources (a toy BBQ) to support this role play. We will also have some counting activities disguised as a gift for Father's Day, create with shapes and continue to consider symmetry. We will have the 'aqua play' under the canopy, please ensure children are supervised as setting up the aqua play is a delicate process, and whilst it is a plastic toy, it needs to be treated with care! We love our magnetic tiles at nursery and have recently been inspired to challenge ourselves and the children with some new ideas from the connetix Facebook page ~ if you have magnetic tiles at home, you may like to explore it too...there are also links on Instagram and TikTok. This week, we are going to try to make some felt ball catapults!

Finally, a reminder about our sickness and diarrhoea policy. Unfortunately, we have had several children off with poorly tummies this week. Following vomiting or diarrhoea, parents are asked to keep children home for 48 hours. After 48 hours, some children may appear well, however, following diarrhoea, please do not send children back to nursery until a formed stool has been passed.

Hilary

Diary Dates:

Fri 13th June, morning: Father's Day breakfast - please RSVP

w/c Mon 30th June: Leavers' parents evenings

Fri 4th July, morning: Summer Play: The Gingerbread Man

Thurs 10th July, afternoon: Older children's Sports Day

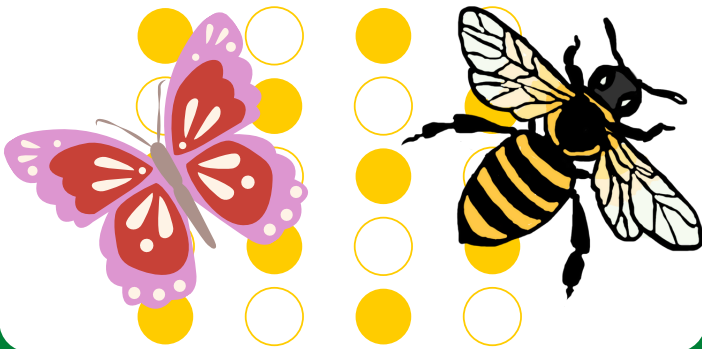
Weds 16th July, morning: Younger children's Sports Day + Last Day of Term (younger children)

Thurs 17th July: Leavers Party + Last Day of Term (older children)

THIS WEEK...

Mathematics:

Many of the children have really enjoyed and engaged in our shape and pattern resources over the last few weeks. At home you can support and further develop this interest by modelling simple repeating patterns with 2 or 3 objects (anything will do!) and encourage your child to continue the pattern. Talk about patterns involving repetition and symmetry you notice in your surrounding environment and challenge your child to spot some of their own.



Number of the week:



Woodland Wonder:

Collect some interesting leaves or petals and thread them on to a stick. Look at the different colours, shapes and patterns together...or even create simple repeating patterns on your stick.

At nursery we ask children to only collect fallen leaves rather than pick them from a living plant with our 'no pick no lick' rule.



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 9th: Jake

Tuesday 10th: Evan

Wednesday 11th: Seth

Thursday 12th: No star

Friday 13th: Alice

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