

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

6th July 2025

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

Dear parents and carers,

We loved the Gingerbread Man show; the children did really well, most of them remembering some songs, and some even remembered lines! Some children have been using elements the story in their spontaneous play, which is delightful to witness and all part of developing literacy skills.

It looks like another HOT week, so again, you may send children in wearing swimming costumes, remembering to apply sun screen to exposed skin and sending in spare clothes. Please ensure any borrowed items are returned as we now have a limited stock!

This week, alongside the inevitable water play, we have planned to include some tennis skills, hitting balls with rackets, counting strawberries, and wearing sun hats and sunglasses! We will also be brushing pretend teeth and talking about foods which are good for our health, and those that are treats only. On Tuesday afternoon we hope to have sushi making with Florka's dad.

Older's sports day on Thursday 10th~ Unless the longer range forecast changes this will take place in the morning before it gets too hot. We will try to start at 9.45 and it should last about half an hour. We are hoping that it won't be too hot for the ponies to still visit, we will let the children know when we have decided.

Huge thank-you to James, Alice's dad (and helpers), who have been giving up weekends to sand and retreat the Gingerbread House. If you have some spare time, please let James know. Many hands make light work!

Just one more newsletter next week, we are counting down to the summer holiday with the children too!

Hilary

Diary Dates:

Thurs 10th July, 9.45am: 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)



Cooking Together - a recipe for learning:

Preparing and cooking food with your child isn't just about making a meal - it can be a fun, rewarding way to support their development, and a bonding experience with a delicious treat to share at the end!

Cooking together helps build a wide range of skills:

- Physical: Using kitchen tools develops handeye coordination and fine motor skills.
- Language: Following instructions, talking through the process, asking questions, and describing textures and tastes boost language skills.

Numeracy: Measuring ingredients and counting spoonfuls support early maths skills.

So grab your aprons and get your child involved!

Number of the week:



Woodland Wonder:

We have been seeing so many butterflies around the nursery garden during the hot weather, but butterfly numbers are actually declining. You can help by taking part in The Big Butterfly Count between 18th July and 10th August - click here for how to join in, and ID guides to download.



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 7th: Albert

Tuesday 8th: Benji

Wednesday 9th: Grace

Thursday 10th: No star

Friday 11th: Florka

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