

# St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

30th November 2025

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

Dear parents and carers,

This week we will be going full festive! Children will complete their clay tree decorations, we hope to make a start on Christmas cards, we'll have soapflake snowfluff, decorate our nursery Christmas tree and play some target throwing games with Christmas wreaths. We also have some real antlers for children to learn about and explore. Our mornings will start with a Kindness Advent, and I'm sure we will be listening to the antics of Elves!

Please remember to let us know if your child will not be joining in the Christmas show on Thursday 18th December, as we will begin to decide on their roles (all younger children will be angels or sheep!).

The Christmas fair is THIS SATURDAY in the Village Hall 10-12. For those with exceptional excuses to not attend on the day, our Christmas Elves will be selling raffle tickets and t-towels. Please, please remember that this is our main fundraising event of the year and helps us to buy the resources for your children and for future children. As a Community Nursery, parent participation and fundraising continuity is absolutely essential. The funding we receive from the government only covers the basics! Lots of our lovely resources that your child plays with have been bought from past parent fundraising, e.g the touch screen computer, the boat in the garden, the canopy in Forest School (which needs replacing!), so please help to leave a legacy for any siblings that may be joining us!

Hilary

### **Diary Dates:**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 10-12: Nursery Christmas Fair Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 11.30am start: Christmas play

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December: End of Autumn Term Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026: Start of Spring Term

Thursday 15th January: Deadline for September 2026 school applications



# Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

#### Developing independence...

Your child's Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED) in the first five years of their life is as important as developing physical and communication skills.

Continuing with the series of parents tips from the <u>Surrey Family Information Service</u>, the Being, Belonging, Becoming series focuses on Personal, Social and Emotional Development. This week we share their '<u>Becoming</u>' parent tips on how to help your child develop independence, through different ages and stages of development.





### **Woodland Wonder:**

Holly bushes are particularly easy to spot in December. Holly has spiky, dark green, glossy leaves and - on female plants - bright red berries.

The red berries provide crucial winter food for birds, but are poisonous to humans and pets. So, please take care and remember 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 1st: Joshua

Tuesday 2nd: Belle

Wednesday 3rd: Nova

Thursday 4th: No star

Friday 5th: Rafferty

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