

# ST. MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

1st March 2026

**Hello from the nursery team:**

**Hilary, Jennie, Aimee, Adnana, Hannah, Justyn, Katie, Kelly, Lizzie and Louise**

Dear parents and carers,

This week at nursery we are following the children's interest in emergency vehicles and learning about people who help us, with a focus on the emergency services. We will also be conducting some simple science experiments, exploring floating and sinking, investigating magnetism, and describing and matching different textures. And, in preparation for Mother's Day, the children will begin creating a special gift.

We have also noticed an increasing interest in recycling! We now have new bins at nursery and, particularly at lunchtime, the children are enjoying discovering what can be recycled and what belongs in the rubbish bin. You may find that your child brings home "rubbish" or some rather unusual items - this is all part of their learning and exploration. As part of our efforts to reduce waste, we are encouraging children (and adults!) to think of alternatives, such as bringing juice in a reusable bottle rather than an individual juice box. It would be very helpful if parents could also take a look at the outer packaging. We have a collection box for items that can be recycled at larger supermarkets; however, some multipack products do not include recycling information on the individual wrappers.

Recycling, where possible, forms part of our Early Years Sustainability Action Plan. A sustainability action plan is a requirement of the Department for Education (DfE) and aims to reduce settings' environmental impact. These plans promote waste reduction, energy efficiency, and nature-based learning, while fostering lifelong environmental awareness and responsibility in young children.

Thank you.

Hilary

**Diary Dates:**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 10am-12: Spring Fair (see attached flyer for further details)

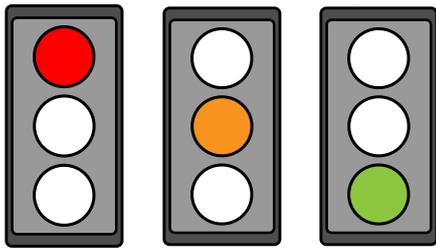
# THIS WEEK...

## Communication and Language:

*'Learn with me' from the Surrey Family Information Service, provides development tips and activity ideas to help with early development.*

The **'Talking Time'** series provides some simple activities designed to help parents and carers support their children's learning at home. Children learn best when they are playing - so have fun!

Play **'Ready, Steady, Go'** games to support your child with listening and following instructions.



## Number of the week:

## Woodland Wonder:

Many wild birds are just starting to build their nests at this time of year. There are several ways we can help them during this time...

- fresh food and water are really helpful
- provide a bird box
- provide some easy access nesting materials. Fill a hanging container such as an existing bird feeder, or simply tuck materials into a bush. Make sure to provide only natural materials such as raked moss, garden cuttings, straw or pure wool.



## 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 2nd: Niko**

**Tuesday 3rd: Barnaby**

**Wednesday 4th: Felix**

**Thursday 5th: No star today**

**Friday 6th: Rafferty**

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