



ST. MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

12th April 2026

Hello from the nursery team:

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

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break and are looking forward to the summer term.

Attached to this newsletter are the 'Zones of Regulation'. We have been increasingly using these to help support children's emotional regulation. Several of our resources this week will be helping children to recognise emotions both in themselves and in others.

I am currently **purple**! Not listed in the zones, but a mixture of **red** and **blue...angry** because the website is down, and tired of trying to sort it! Hopefully, once my IT support is in contact, I can return to **green** (happy!).

One thing that made me very **green** over the holiday was the new surface under the climbing frame. Thank you to Surex Surfacing (Dan Tanner, Mallory's Dad) for sorting this for us over Easter. It looks super smart and will hopefully be easier to maintain too. The canopy has also had a spring clean.

Our chicken is broody and sitting on some acquired fertile eggs. We hope they will hatch in about a weeks time. However, the eggs are a really dark brown, so I am unable to check how many are viable (you can normally shine a torch on the egg and see a developing embryo).

Parents should have received Tapestry notifications over Easter as staff completed termly reflections. Please do speak to your child's key person if you would like to have a face-to-face catch-up.

This term we are going to trial a slightly different structure to our day, which will allow for more time to free play during what we hope will be warmer weather. Star of the Day sessions will be split, with the photo sharing as part of registration and the box activity just before story time/ lunchtime pick-ups. Please remember to only send a few photos (1,2 or 3 is plenty, 4+ is too many!!) as our aim is for the children to talk about the photo, not to list and label.

Finally, I now have a Tuesday place available, 12.15, 2.15 or 2.45 pick up, for the remainder of the summer term. Please email the nursery if you would like to add this session to your child's current days. I will be processing summer term claim forms 'shortly'.

Thank you.

Hilary

THIS WEEK...

Literacy:

The National Literacy Trust 'Words for Life' campaign aims to provide parents and carers with activities to support your child's early language, literacy and communication skills at home.

Explore their quick and easy tips and activities to discover new ways you could boost your child's literacy skills while having fun chatting, playing and reading together:

Words for Life: Learn and Play.

We will shortly be refreshing the nursery library for the Summer Term, so please make sure all current books are returned.
Thank You!



Number of the week:



5

five



Woodland Wonder:

Spring signals the arrival of stunning wildflowers in our woodlands and other habitats, and you don't have to travel far as many of our local woodlands are a sea of green and blue right now.

Take a Spring walk and see which of Surrey's Spring wildflowers you can spot...here's a handy guide from Surrey Wildlife Trust.



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 13th: George

Tuesday 14th: Callie G

Wednesday 15th: Oliver

Thursday 16th: No star today

Friday 17th: Stella

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