



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E School

Summer Term News

Week ending 19th May



Our value for the month of May is
"Co-operation".

"How wonderful it is. How pleasant.
For God's people to live together in
harmony".
Psalms 133:1

Our values tree

In assembly we talked about the 11 school values and how these are important if we are to build positive friendships and to be happy in life. Congratulations to Isla, Caitlin, Cerys, Daisy and Josef for demonstrating a range of good values this week.

SATs week



We were very proud of how much effort Year 6 put into their tests last week and, as you can see, they were happy when it was all over (and the Cook baked them some celebratory biscuits!) Thank you to the staff who helped them to prepare for and sit the papers.

Good luck now to the children in Y2 who will complete their SATs tests by half term.

Good Sports



Matteo, Sacha, Archie, Phoebe, Tabitha and Harriet represented St. Michael's in a hockey tournament at Sir Fred's last week. Unfortunately our opponents were stronger than us on the day but the team worked well together and, as always, they were a credit to the school.

Health and Safety

Dogs on the gate

Dogs are an important part of life for many St. Michael's families, and as such, are often included in day-to-day activities such as walking children to and from school. We do however understand that some people can find contact with dogs stressful, even frightening and so we are requesting that dogs are not brought into the car park area and tied up by the school entrance. Thank you.

Burrowing bees

Recently bees were spotted coming out of holes near the play equipment and also by the gazebo - we have had these areas treated but have been told that this particular variety of bee may tunnel and appear elsewhere! Please let us know if you notice any more clusters of bees appearing.

Considerate parking

Unfortunately members of our local community have been in touch with the school to say that people have been parking in areas of Twin Foxes that are for residents only and that some damage has resulted from this. Just a reminder - the Walking Bus runs daily from the Village Hall where there are plenty of safe parking spaces.

Creative success



Great news relating to the Science Week challenge - St. Michael's pupils were **Highly Commended** in both KS1 and KS2 competitions! Congratulations to Keira (Y2) and Sienna (Y4) who received certificates and packets of *real* seeds.

Headteacher Awards

It is always a pleasure when pupils are keen to share their learning and this week Lucia (Y1) Gracie and Joe (Y4) brought their books to show me and to talk about their learning.

All members of staff are rewarding outstanding work and recognising exemplary behaviour by awarding gold stickers and our next tea party is taking place very soon so there's an added incentive for the children to keep up the good work!



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Caring for our school

We all have very busy lives and so any extra contributions to the life of the school are always really appreciated.

Thank you to our Friends and reps for their Ice Cream Fridays, class linked support and fete preparations - the children all benefit from your hard work.



You may also have noticed the beautiful containers at the school entrance and these were replanted by Mrs Allen last weekend. Thank you for brightening our days!

Class news

Sycamore Class



This week we went for a "Teddy Bears' picnic" in Mardley Woods with all the children who go to St Michael's Pre-school. We walked all the way up to woods and

then had our snacks and some biscuits there. Even our teddy bears joined us on the walk. It was great fun and the children spotted lots of signs of spring/summer. We saw pretty flowers, insects, butterflies but our favourite thing was the big, muddy puddles made by the heavy rain the day before. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves



Beech Class



Monks Walk Language leaders came to visit this week. We played fun games in French, German and Spanish. Kitty was nominated for the Spanish prize, Izzy for the German and Matthew for the French.

The class are studying earthquakes in Geography and Lola was so enthused by the topic that she went home and made a model to show the destruction this natural disaster can cause.



Cherry Class



Cherry class have been finding out about Louis Pasteur and how he discovered germs. We did an experiment by putting glitter on our hands and shaking hands with other people in our group to find out how germs spread. We also found out that we should wash our hands before cooking and eating, after going to the toilet, after touching animals, after playing outside and if we sneeze to help us stay healthy!



A big THANK YOU! To all in Cherry Class for their wonderfully entertaining assembly about Nurturing Nurses. Every child knew their lines by heart and we were taught so much about your history topic!



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Elm class

This week Elm class have been learning a new sport! We have started playing handball and the fast pace and teamwork required has left us exhausted after sessions!



Office news

Memorial Garden

To those who have asked, we are still able to take donations towards the development of this special area in memory of Mr Mallon. Cheques can be made out to *St. Michael's Woolmer Green School*.

Christian Aid

Thank you to those families who have already returned their envelopes. Please return any more charity contributions to the Office for collection.

What's On

15-26.5.2017	SATs in Key Stage 1
24-26.5.2017	Year 6 Residential Trip (PGL Caythorpe Court)
25.5.2017	Willow (Y1) Assembly, 2:45pm
W/c 29.5.2017	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
5.6.2017	School closed for INSET
9.6.2017	Mufti day (bottles for the fete)
14.6.2017	District Sports
21.6.2017	Sports Day (am. Details to follow)

Well done to the following children who were in Good Work Assembly last week:

Sycamore Class

Finley - Investigating gingerbread using his senses

Ryan & Zach - Excellent writing (using their phonics) about dinosaurs.

Willow Class:

Josie - A lovely springtime poem

Zak - Painting a flower in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe.

Cherry Class

Teddy - Reading capacity in ml and litres.

Redwood Class

Jake & Kenan - Investigating the magnetic properties of materials.

Gabby - Painting inspired by nature in the style of Henri Matisse.



Elm Class

Emma - Using (and showing us) Pivot Animator to create a swimmer diving underwater.

Freddie - Good comprehension answers and much improved handwriting.

Beech Class

Connor - Excellent investigation into air resistance.