



## Newsletter Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

★ Happy New Year!

★ We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with friends and family and, from everyone here at St Michael's, we wish you all a very happy, healthy and prosperous new year!



### **Curriculum**

★ The children have come back to school absolutely ready to learn and have got straight back to working hard and enjoying their new learning. It has been lovely to go into classrooms each day this week and see how calmly and happily everyone is working, with lots of fantastic new things underway. I have just had a great conversation about the science that is already underway in both classes, with some Year One and Two children telling me all of the features of living things and someone in Year Six excited to begin an experiment comparing two spider plants.

★ You will have just received an email with information about this half term's curriculum for your child's year group, where you can find out all about what they are learning over the next few weeks.



### **School Meal Bookings**

★ Thank you so much to everyone who has booked their child's school meals for the week or term ahead already. It really helps Mrs Marr in the office when this is done in time as it means meals can then be quickly ordered from Beacon Hill, without Mrs Marr needing to check on missing orders. Thank you so much for your help in this; we understand that it is easy to forget sometimes, especially after the Christmas break, but it would be great if everyone could get theirs ordered ready for next week, please. Thank you in advance for your help!



### **Toddler Group**

★ Did you know that our weekly toddler group has moved to Monday mornings from 9:30am to 11:00am during term time?

★ It is for anyone who has a baby or child up to 3 years old and we would love to welcome you along. If you have a friend or neighbour who might like to come along, please let them know!



### **School Values and Spirituality**

★ We kicked off the term's Collective Worship this week, thinking about Epiphany and discussing "Light Bulb Moments" we may have had. We also had a brilliant discussion about our school's values of Friendship, Love, Respect, Courage, Perseverance and Generosity this morning, linking it to all of the things we do in school. This morning, we had some reflection time in Collective Worship, thinking about the shared language of In, Out and Up that we adopted last year as a school when thinking and reflecting on Spirituality. We thought about looking in towards ourselves, out at the world and looking up by asking big questions, praying or wondering.



**In**



**Out**



**Up**



Friends of St Michael's School warmly welcome you to our 

## Baby and toddler group

Themed sessions for ages 0-3 with a range of activities and toys.

New Monday group!

Messy play, keepsake crafts, free play and songs and rhymes

Bring a travel mug and enjoy a hot drink

Mondays 9.30-11am during term time

Bothel School hall (enter via Breakfast club door in car park)

£1 per family



## **Some Dates for the Term Ahead**

**Dates for your diaries so far this term (new or updated dates in red) - More details and dates will follow**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January** – Whole school outdoor learning afternoon

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January – Year 5 and 6 Careers event at Nelson Thomlinson School**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Big Bird Watch Day in school**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – In-school sessions for all children from Wordsworth House**

## **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February – KS2 Technology Day at Beacon Hill School**

## **Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> February – Children’s Mental Health Week**

## **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** – Whole school outdoor learning afternoon

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Last day of term**

## HALF TERM BREAK

## **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Back to school**

