



Friday 17th December 2021

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For term time absence
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St Michael's Matters

A note from Mr Hirani - Here we are at the end of another very busy term. I wanted to begin by saying thank you to all the children for their enthusiasm in taking part in our Christmas Nativities this month. For most infant children this would have been their first experience of working together as a large team to produce something joyful and uplifting at Christmas time. For some juniors, despite being at the school for many years, this was their first participation in a year group or phase play ever! This only goes to show how secure, safe and confident children are made to feel in these difficult times by the adults working in school. It has been a privilege to be Head of School at St Michael's with the team ethic displayed by all. Thank all the staff at St Michael's for their dedication and enthusiasm. It is due to this that the children are able to engage in a range of opportunities from launch days to performances. I am very lucky to work with such committed individuals.



Thank you so much for your generous donations recently. We have yet to find out exactly how much has been raised from the Fun Run today, we will be sure to update you via the Newsletter in the New Year. Many thanks to Frasers and all of the other donations which have been gratefully received and thank you for supporting the FoSM so generously this year.

The winners of the Raffle Draw have been drawn by some Year 6 children. Congratulations to Thomas D in 2S, who was the winner in the Infant Department. Freddie S - 5P in the Junior Department and to Stanley S - 2M, who won the bonus prize!

Finally a huge thank you to all of you, as parents and carers, for your incredible support over the last term. Your unwavering commitment to the school is very much appreciated and I do genuinely appreciate the partnership working that is so strong throughout the school. I feel immensely proud of our school and its community. On behalf of myself and all the staff at St Michael's I wish you a very Merry Christmas. May this Christmas bring you love, faith, hope and joy; have a wonderful time and enjoy the festive break. I look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Tuesday, 4th January.



Staffing at St Michaels - In January we have some changes to the office team at St Michael's. Kelly Watson, who has been with the school for 9 years is leaving to pursue a career in business. We wish her all the best in her new adventure. I would like to thank Kelly from the school community for the invaluable support that she has provided behind the scenes at St Michaels particularly through the pandemic. Speaking on behalf of previous Heads of School at St Michael's, Kelly has provided immense support in ensuring that school business systems have functioned smoothly in her tenure.

We wish Miss Cowdry all the best as she embarks on a new career working with young offenders. Miss Davidson will take on the role as full time teacher in 4DC. Further staffing support, with reference to 'Catch Up,' will be announced in the Spring term.

Job Vacancy

Celtic Cross Education is looking to recruit a well organised, reliable and efficient

Receptionist/Administration Assistant at St Michael's C of E School to support our existing school administration team.

The hours are Monday-Friday 8.30am - 3.30pm and you will also be required to work 5 INSET days during the academic year.

For further information and to apply please see:

<https://www.celticcross.education/web/vacancies/581005>



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Director/Trustee Vacancy

Do you have professional or business expertise you'd like to share in a strategic role within our multi-academy trust?

Celtic Cross Education has a vacancy on its board of directors, and this challenging and rewarding position could be just for you.

Directors (also known as trustees) are volunteers with a range of skills and their main responsibilities are to:

- Hold executive leaders to account for the educational, safeguarding and financial performance of the trust.
- Set the strategic direction of the trust.
- Ensure the trust's financial success and probity.

If you have worked in HR, law, risk management, finance or communication, or have skills in problem solving, critical listening or leadership, we would welcome an application from you.

This is a fantastic opportunity to help shape the future of our trust for the benefit of all our pupils.

Please email recruitment@celticcross.education for an application pack and further information or click [here](https://www.celticcross.education) to visit our website.

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Attendance

Below is a class by class breakdown of attendance from:

Monday 13th December - Friday 17th December:

RR - 86.67%	RD - 94.58%
1C - 97.58%	1S - 87.73%
2M - 88.03%	2S - 97.5%
3HN - 87.97%	3HY - 91.36%
4DC - 91.61%	4J - 94.64%
5G - 84.67%	5P - 91.89%
6T - 94.93%	6M - 95.3%

Overall school attendance average is 93.63%



Fun activities for everyone varying from circus skills to multi-sports and every session includes a FREE meal for all children.

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Christmas holidays, from December 20th - 23rd.

Find one in your area by visiting our website: www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme

* Free prices for ALL children eligible for Free School Meals
* Activities available for children aged 5-16

For more information contact:

Time2Move Holiday Programme@cornwall.gov.uk
01872 323325



Time2Move Holiday Programme is Live!

After their super summer success, the **Time2Move Holiday Programme** over the Christmas Holidays is live. Currently there over 55 providers across Cornwall delivering activities over the Christmas holidays focusing on Monday 20th December to Thursday 23rd December.

The provision is open to all children aged 5 to 16 but targets children eligible for Free School Meals where it is free and includes a meal.

Parents can book places for their children through [this link](#).

CALENDAR DATES

What's on this term?

Go to www.st-michaels-helston.org and click on CALENDAR DATES

Tues 4th Jan	Children return to School (Start of the Spring Term)
Fri 7th Jan	Year 5 Swimming

Star of the Week W/C 13th December

These children have received the **Star of the Week** award:

- 1C - Emily B for good manners in class.
- 1S - Zach for always being kind and thoughtful.
- 2M - George O for consistently modelling excellent behaviour in all that he does.
- 2S - Jaxon M who is moving on to a new school, and for stepping in as Joseph in the Christmas play at the last minute!

This week the Junior assembly was about: **Integrity**

These children received the **Star of the Week** award in KS2:

- 3HY - Joey P & Oliver W
- 3HN - Kieran L & AJ P
- 4DC - Oisin J & Amelia P
- 4J - Leo C & Lilly-May H
- 5G - Lottie-May P & Megan L
- 5P - Jenson Y & Daniel W
- 6T - Charlie R & Alfie D
- 6M - Logan E & Ruan W

The Children's Society

Let's come together to celebrate Christingle

Christingle is a great way for communities everywhere to get together this Christmas to catch up, make some special memories and have fun.

Come and join us ☐ Online ☒ In-person ☐ Both

Location: **ST MICHAELS CHURCH HELSTON**

Date: **24.12.26** Time: **17.30**

It's Bring your own Christingle PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHRISTINGLE -IN-A-BAG KIT FROM THE CHURCH PORCH ON WEDNESDAY 22ND DECEMBER BETWEEN 10.00 AND 14.00. Make it at home following the instructions-(It's easy) Then bring it with you on Christmas eve to the service !

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