

Message from our Executive Head

This week in our meeting, staff and governors explored our vision, values and ethos. It was lovely to hear examples from across our Federation of how the children demonstrate Christian values and many ways in which they shine.

This week, children from across our federation joined together to travel to Norwich School for a maths competition. They were excellent ambassadors, with staff really proud of the way that they got involved in the activities. Well done to all!!

Skylarks

This week we have been practising overarm throwing in P.E. We are working towards building skills to play a rounders game at the end of the half term! In computing we carried on with our photography topic with taking landscape and portrait pictures. In Science we looked at what humans and animals need to survive Vs what we might want to survive. In Geography we looked at the 4 main capital cities and we thought of ways to help remember them... We thought of Northern Ireland as a football and when we shake it rings like a bell, which helped us to remember Belfast.

Mallards

A great week for Mallards. We have been writing stories using the format and style of the Pied Piper. These are already beginning to look very exciting. In maths this week, we have been looking at 2d and 3d shapes. We can talk about the properties of a range of different shapes. We have continued our topic on the Mayans by thinking about how this amazing civilisation was so successful thousands of years ago, despite living in a tropical rainforest. Did you know that the Mayans built amazing cities, could read and write and had invented a calendar to help them predict the farming year? Meanwhile in England, the ancient Britons were still living in very primitive huts and could not read or write at all! We are looking forward to sculpting shoes out of clay for our art work. This week we created PowerPoints showing a range of different shoe styles that we might like to use as inspiration for our designs.

We are looking forward to welcoming our families to our art gallery after school next week.

Swans

This week Swan class have enjoyed using clay again and moulding a piece of clay to represent a head. In PE this week, we were learning to be bowler in rounders and in golf had a go at chip shots and putting. In French this week we enjoyed playing card games to learn the days of the week and in PSHE we looked at how to budget for a weekly shop. In history this week we looked at the evidence that the legend of Theseus and the Minotaur might be true. We are very proud of Owen, Freddie, Iris and Joel who represented our class at the maths competition in Norwich this week.

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Art Gallery

We welcome you to our Art Gallery next week.

Wednesday 1st May - 8.45am - 9.15am

Friday 3rd May - 2.45pm - 4.00pm

Gillingham in the news

The EDP have featured a story regarding our recent Ofsted grading, you can read the whole story here https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/24278659.ofsted-rates-gillingham-st-

michaels-primary-good/

Prayer

Mighty God from up high, You are the Lord of the earth and sky, We know we sometimes get things wrong, We're sorry for those things we've done. We thank you for our families, friends and school. We thank you for loving us all. Please can you let our lights shine, In all our work, including mine. Amen

Lunch Menu Change

As from today the Cheese, Ham & Mayo Roll will no longer be available, the replacement option is Egg Mayo Roll

After School Clubs Mondavs **Multisports**

> **Tuesdays** Tennis

Wednesdays Gardening

Thursdays Football

Friday Craft, lego, junk modelling and games

Whole School Attendance YTD

93.39%

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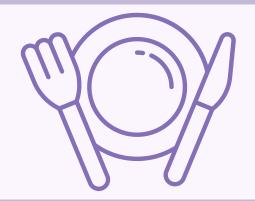
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SATS Breakfast for Y6

Monday 13th May at 8.00am Tuesday 14th May at 8.00am Wednesday 15th May at 8.00am Thursday 16th May at 8.00am



Maths Challenge

A huge 'well done' to all of the children that participated in the Norwich School Maths challenge. A fantastic time was had by all!

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Important Dates

- 01/05 Art Gallery open to parents 8.45am 9.15am
- 03/05 Art gallery open to parents 2.45pm 4.00pm
- 06/05 May Bank Holiday
- 13/05 17/05 SATS Week
- 21/05 Y6 Crucial Crew at The Space, Norwich
- 24/05 Last day of Summer Term 1
- 03/06 First Day of Summer Term 2
- 20/06 Sports Day, Families invited
- 17/06 19/06 Swan Class Residential to Horstead
- 25/06 Reception NCMP Vision & Hearing Screening
- 26/06 27/06 Y6 Bungay High School transition day