



AUGHTON ST. MICHAEL'S C. OF E. SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



20th January 2023

Our Christian Value: Communication



"Let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger," James 1:19



Finding that Rainbow!

Charlie Chaplin once said, "You'll never find a rainbow if you're always looking down," and I think the sentiment of this message is perfect for our Capture the Rainbow certificates. When one of our pupils receives this award it means that they have demonstrated the ability to 'look up'. By this I mean they have gone beyond just doing the minimum that is expected of them and pushed themselves to do better, to be better or to act better. Having given out so many of these certificates recently – especially today – it must mean that our children are looking up to find and be better. Brilliant work everyone!

Strike Action

As you will have seen in the press, teachers who are member of the NEU have voted to strike on 4 days over the coming months. The first day is Wednesday 1st February. We are currently undertaking risk assessments to ascertain what the provision on the day will be. As soon as we know, we will inform you.

Team Point Winners



Cardiff



School Clubs

Friday Y5/6 Cricket 3:15 - 4:15pm

Parent Workshops and Drop ins

This month we will be running an English Workshop and then drop-in session similar to the Maths one we did in September. The **workshop** will be on:

Monday 23rd January
6:30pm – 7:30pm

This is where our English lead, Ms McCormack, will outline our philosophy for teaching English for about 15 minutes. We will then have different workshops for parents to attend that will go into more detail on specific areas of the English curriculum.

Following this there will be **drop-in sessions**, where you can work with your child for 30 minutes in their English lesson to see the theory in practice. The timetable for the drop-in session is as follows:



EYFS:	Tue	24 th January	9:30am
Year 1:	Wed	25 th January	9:15am
Year 2:	Wed	25 th January	11:00am
Year 3:	Fri	27 th January	11:00am
Year 4:	Thu	26 th January	11:00am
Year 5:	Thu	26 th January	9:30am
Year 6:	Fri	27 th January	9:30am



Homework

In September, I outlined the expectations of homework for each child across school and most children have met these expectations. Thank you for your support in achieving this. As we start a new term, I thought it would be good just to reiterate these expectations, so that everyone is fully aware of them.

Our expectations were based on research from the Educational Endowment Foundation which suggested homework should be based on prior learning, follow a set pattern, have an element of quick feedback and that IT packages have the biggest impact. We therefore developed the homework table below.

The homework we set is linked to the learning the children engage with in school and completing it has a very positive effect on their progress. Most primary school children need support to complete their homework and we are asking for your support in this.

Our expectation is that all homework is done. Staff will check homework on a Monday morning. If homework is completed the children will get team points. If a piece of homework is not completed the child will get a warning. If homework is not complete 2 weeks in a row or 3 times in a half-term, parents will receive an email from the class teacher to inform them. If a consistent pattern of not doing homework emerges, school will contact parents to discuss how we could support you further in ensuring your child completes their homework.

Thank you again for your support in this matter.

Homework: What we will set?

Year Group	When will it be set?	Where will it be set?	What will it be?
EYFS and KS1	Set: Monday For: next Monday	On the Class page	Maths: Numbots (10 mins) English: Spelling Frame linked to phonics phase and/or words to know by end of the year Reading: phonically decodable book recorded in Reading record
LKS2 Y3 & 4	Set: Monday For: next Monday	On the Class page	Maths: 20 mins Timestables Rockstars English: Spelling (using Spellingframe) or SPaG.com Reading: book sent home. If on the reading scheme to be recorded in a reading record
UKS2 Y5 & 6	Set: Monday For: next Monday	On the Class page (Y6 may change but an email will be sent)	Maths: MyMaths or worksheet to answer in a homework English: Spelling or SPaG.com Reading: Guided Reading book sent home.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Week commencing Monday 23rd Jan: Week 3

School dinner for the whole of this half-term will cost £62.10. If you are not sure how much you owe for the half-term please contact Mrs Golding. Also, if your child has changed their mind on what they have selected, please could you let Mrs Golding know.

If you still owe for last term, Mrs Golding will be contacting you imminently!

Bank Account details

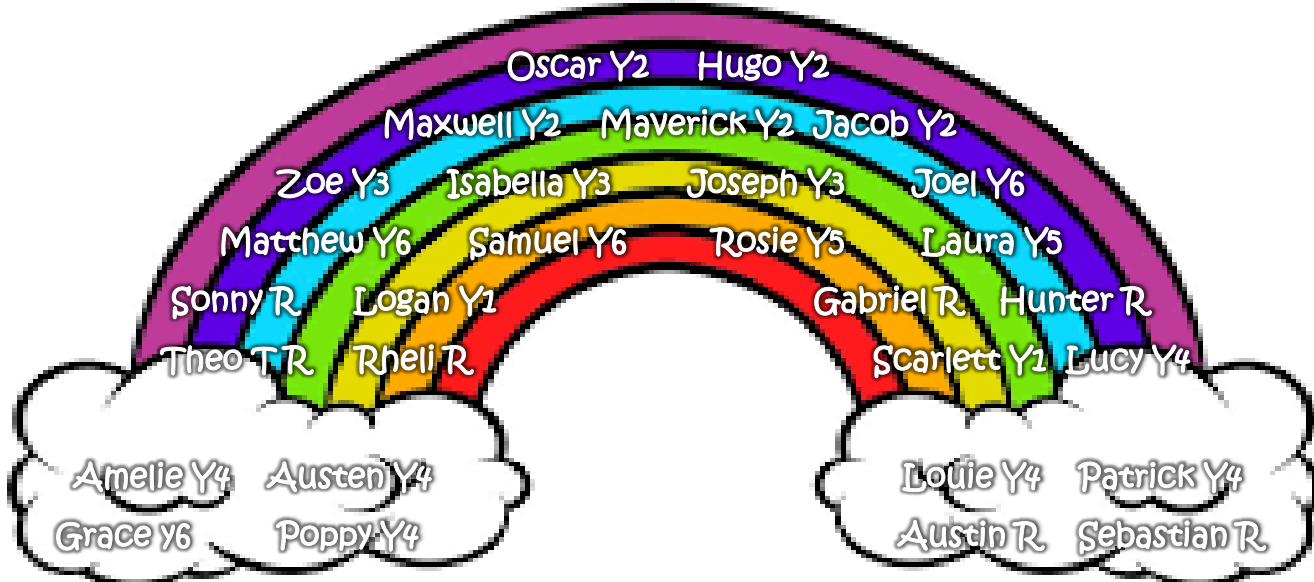
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Celebration Worship

The order for Celebration Worship when we return will be:

Year 5:	27 th January
Year 6:	3 rd February
EYFS:	10 th February
Year 1:	24 th February
Year 2:	3 rd March
Year 3:	10 th March
Year 4:	17 th March

Who's Captured the Rainbow?



Cost of Living Crisis

In the current economic climate, we understand that household budgets are coming under increasing pressure. If you are under increasing pressure, please feel free to contact school and we will try to support you as best we can. If you think you may qualify for Pupil Premium please follow [this link](#) for further information.

Match Funding

The PTFA would like to know if any of the parents, or the companies they work for, would be able to match-fund any of our events. If you think this is something you may be able to help with, please contact school and we will put you in touch with the relevant members of the PTFA



Citizens of the Week

Congratulations to our Citizens of the Week.

EYFS: Hannah
 Year 1: Logan
 Year 2: Elise
 Year 3: Anayah
 Year 4: Amelie
 Year 5: Harlow
 Year 6: Grace



Shape Day

Over the past few years, the NSPCC began a mega maths fundraising campaign called Number Day. To raise money for the NSPCC, who provide services such as 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' which the school

have used this academic year, we will be holding a SHAPE DAY on Friday 3rd February. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes, but they must wear their favourite shape. They could.....

- Wear a top with their favourite shape on
- Wear a sticky label showing their favourite shape
- Draw their favourite shape on their body.
- Go all out and wear their favourite shape!

In return, please send in a donation for the NSPCC on the day.

