

Grimsargh St Michael's Newsletter

22.09.2023

*'Let your light shine before people so that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven' (Matthew 5: v.16)*



DIARY DATES

Monday 25th September

3pm Whole School Worship

Year 4 swimming

Tuesday 26th

3pm Hymn Practice

9:30am KS2 Kids Cup Football

1:15pm Let's Go Sing- Year 5

Wednesday 27th

3pm Key Stage Worship

Year 4 swimming

9am Flu vaccinations

Thursday 28th

3pm Key Stage Worship

Year 4 swimming

**Educational Visit- Year 2 @
Knowsley Safari Park**

Friday 29th

2:45pm Celebration Assembly

Year 4 swimming

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our **STARS** who have let their lights shine this week.

Miss Lemmings won't be bringing reception into assembly just yet, so no stars this week.

Year 1 (Miss Threlfall): **Niamh M and Felicity G**

Year 2 (Mrs Coupe): **Theo B and Lexi P**

Year 3 (Mr Brooks): **Amelia A and Jake Mc G**

Year 4 (Mrs Todd/ Mrs Slattery): **Miles C and Scarlett K**

Year 5 (Miss Reeve): **Matilda E and Ellie R**

Year 6 (Miss Cross): **Tobias L and Annie-Rose N**

Weekly Attendance

(Week beginning 11th September)

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET:

96.4%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 98.7%

Reception: 97.2%

Year 1: 98%

Year 2: 99.3%

Year 3: 100%

Year 4: 99%

Year 5: 97.3%

Year 6: 100%

September 2024

Primary Admissions

Online applications for reception class and year 7 admissions are now open on

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

If completing the 'Supplementary Faith Request Form', please return to school for reception class.

The closing date for returning forms for reception is 15th January 2024.

**Our 'Show Rounds' are on
Thursday 12th October at
1:30pm and Wednesday 8th
November at 9:30am.**



Instagram

SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

'Grimsargh St Michael's C of E
Primary School' on Facebook.



Exploring God's Big Story

During the course of the academic year, the children will explore God's Big Story during worship and through the RE Curriculum. The Big Frieze displays around school are a visual reminder of this story.



On Monday, Lisa Fenton and Bishop Phillip introduced the children to the key concepts, via video.

Can your son/ daughter tell you anything about the Big Frieze and what it represents?

Creation- Can they talk about the best part of God's creation?

People of God- How many people can you name from the Old Testament?

Incarnation- Christians believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

Gospel- In the Bible, Jesus explains how God loves us through stories and His actions.

Salvation- What does this mean? Christians believe that Jesus can save people. How?

The Kingdom of God is the final image on the Big Frieze

Prayer

Father God,

We thank you for our time together to worship,

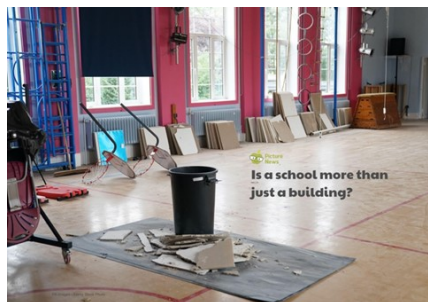
Time to sit, to wonder, to worship, to hear about your big story, your plan from the very beginning.

This year, we pray that you will open our ears, eyes and hearts to know more about you, Jesus and your love for us as we build your kingdom here on earth.

Amen

Picture News

Christian Value: **FAITH**



Let's look at this week's story

More than 100 schools across the UK have been affected by a potentially dangerous concrete used in their construction between the 1950s and the mid-90s. The crisis has left some school staff struggling to find temporary teaching accommodation and forced many pupils to begin their academic year learning online. It's not just schools affected; more than 30 hospitals are also believed to be at risk, according to experts.

Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).

Reflection

Schools are made up of both things we can see, and things we can't; the pupils there to learn, the buildings and classrooms that they work in, and the care, vision and values that the community shares.

News from St Michael's Church: Dates for your diary

- **Sunday 24th September 10am: JIGSAW CLUB-** all Primary School Age children welcome
- **30th September:** Family Walk: Fleetwood to Cleveleys (6 miles– push chair/ pram friendly!)
- **Friday 20th October:** Cheese and Wine evening in school



Feeling creative?

If your child would like to create a piece of Art inspired by the story of Creation from the book of Genesis, feel free to encourage them to get creative and return all completed Art work to the box in the school office by Thursday 28th September. The Art will be displayed in school or church to celebrate the Harvest Festival.

SPORT

Well done to our team who represented our school in the mini-skills event earlier this week. The children competed against 8 other school across 6 different events. These events tested their running, throwing and passing skills. After points for each event had been counted, our team were awarded 5th place. Mr Fletcher reported that our children competed well, showed great support to each other and great sportsmanship to the other schools. Well done to Oliver C, Ollie B, Caleb C, Emily D-W, Aamal I and Matilda E.

SAFEGUARDING

Please see the separate attachment- '**What Parents and carers need to know about WHATSAPP**'.

WhatsApp is the most widely used messaging platform on the planet, with over two billion users (forecast to become three billion by 2025), across more than 180 countries. The majority of those people (70%) open the app at least once a day – but what exactly are they seeing? Contact from strangers, fake news and convincing scams are all among the service's well-documented hazards.

According to Ofcom, WhatsApp is used by more than half of 3- to 17-year-olds in the UK (including one in three from the 8–11 bracket), despite its 16+ age restriction.

If your child hops onto WhatsApp to stay in touch with friends or family, our updated #WakeUpWednesday guide to the service contains the key details you'll need to support them in doing it safely.



Scores for: 11.09.23– 17.09.23



1st place: year 4	24, 670pts
2nd place: year 3	18, 308pts
3rd place: year 5	16, 329pts
4th place: year 1	15, 019pts
5th place: year 6	10, 865pts
6th place: year 2	7, 552pts

Top Students

Year 1: Felicity G
Year 2: Aiden H
Year 3: Kieran C
Year 4: Archie F
Year 5: Aryan C
Year 6: Toby L