

St. Michael's C.E. Primary School

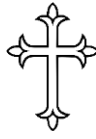
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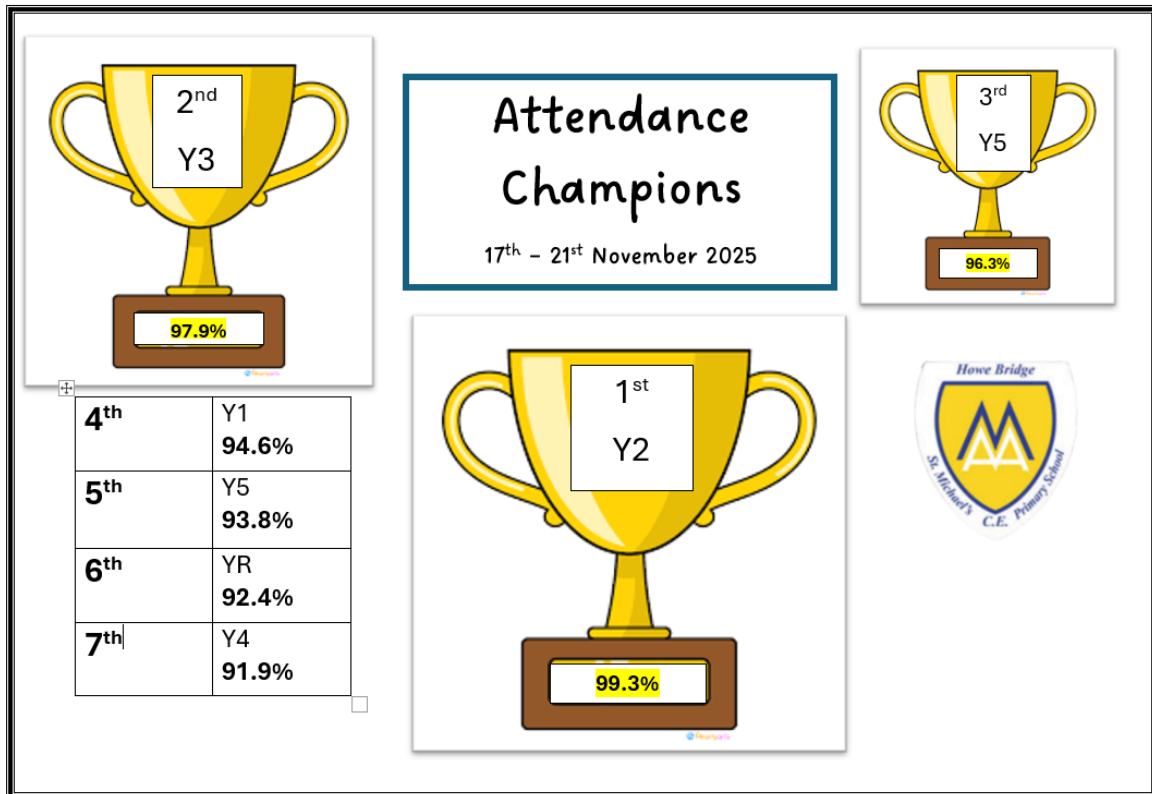
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'Immersed in a Christian Community, each individual is encouraged, challenged and nurtured to learn and grow to achieve their full potential.'

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Newsletter 28th November 2025

Weekly Class Attendance



Parent Workshop – Understanding Autism

We are pleased to invite parents and carers to a workshop on Autism, led by the TESS Team (Targeted Education Support for Schools).

Date & Time: Thursday 16th January at 9:15am

Location: School Library

This session is a great opportunity to learn more about supporting children with autism and ask any questions you may have.

Christmas Jumper Dash – Thursday 11th December.

Children will be bringing a sponsor form for our annual Christmas jumper dash. On this day children can come in their own clothes/Christmas jumpers then they will take part in a festive run! It is always a great event! Please help us to raise as much money for school as we can. Thank you to Mrs Marsh who is working with Barclays to match fund up to £1,000 for us.



Christmas Coffee Morning – All Welcome 🌲

We'd love for you to join us for our festive Christmas Coffee Morning on **Friday 5th December at 9am** in the School Hall.

Come along for some festive refreshments, a warm chat, and our Christmas raffle with loads of lovely prizes!

Everyone is welcome, we'd love to see you there! ☕ ✨



Important Panto Prep

KS1 Panto is next Monday 1st December and KS2 Panto is Monday 8th December.

Children may bring a disposable drink and snack. Please no snack boxes or water bottles. The children will be getting an ice cream from the venue too.

All allergies are provided for.

On the day of the Panto please only order sandwiches for your child on school grid.



KS1 Nativity – Honky Tonky Donkey 🎄

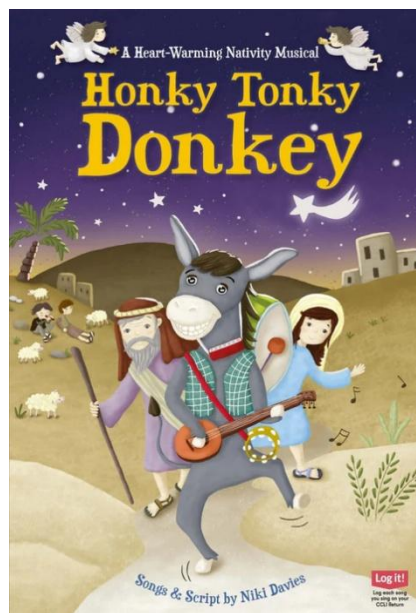
Tickets for this year's KS1 Nativity are now on sale for **£2.50 each** and can be purchased on your child's **Arbor account** in the *School Shop* section.

Please note:

- Tickets are **limited to 2 per family** (not per child or per performance).
- If you have multiple children in KS1, please purchase tickets **through your eldest KS1 child's account** so we can manage numbers fairly.

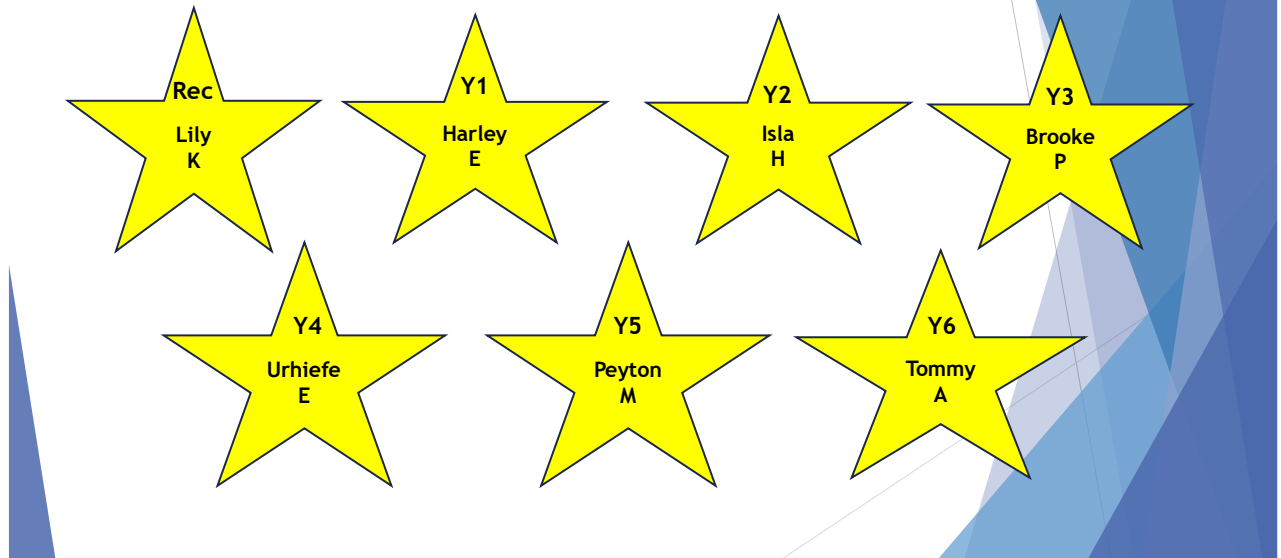
At the end of each performance, we will be collecting donations for **Christies Bolton Hospice** in memory of our former staff member **Annette Scholes**. Any contributions on the day would be greatly appreciated. ❤️

Thank you for your support!




Stars of the Week

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Next week at a glance
Assessment Week

Week beginning	Before school	During the school day	Music tuition	After school
1 st Dec				
Monday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Year 1 outdoor PE Year 4 outdoor PE Year 3 indoor PE	Guitar	ABC childcare
Tuesday	Breakfast club	Whole school singing worship Y3 outdoor PE	Drums Violin	ABC childcare
Wednesday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Rec indoor PE Year 1 outdoor PE		ABC childcare
Thursday	Breakfast club	Class Worship Rec indoor PE Y5 indoor PE Y6 indoor PE Year 2 outdoor PE		ABC childcare
Friday	Breakfast club	Whole school Celebration Worship	Keyboard	ABC childcare


Year 5 Swimming
 Year 2 outdoor PE
 Year 6 outdoor PE
 Year 4 indoor PE



Future dates for your diary

(Please note, these will be added to frequently)

8 th December	KS2 Panto
9 th December	Reception and Year 1 Christingle making with parents at 9am
10 th December	Little Barn Mobile Farm Visit
11 th December	Reception & Y6 Health check with School Nurse Christmas Jumper dash day Christmas Dinner Day
16 th & 17 th December 16 th (9.30am) 17 th (2.30pm)	KS1 Nativity Performances Ticketed event - £2.50 per ticket now available on Arbor
18 th December	KS2 Carol Concert
19 th December	Finish for Christmas Break at 3:30pm
24 th December	Christingle service at St Michael's Church at 3.30pm
5 th January	Inset day – Staff only
6 th January	Children return to school at 8:50am
12 th January	First IRock band practise
16 th January	Parent Workshop on Autism led by TESS AT 9:15am
5 th February	Young Voices
16 th February – 20 th February	Half Term
23 rd March – 25 th March	Year 4 Robinwood residential
24 th March	Year 1 Blackpool Zoo Trip
Thursday 2 nd April	Finish for Easter Break at 3:30pm
20 th April	Children return to school at 8:50am
4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
25 th May – 29 th May	Half Term
29 th June – 3 rd July	Year 6 Residential trip
6 th July	Year 1 Bring Yer Wellies trip

9 th July	 Turn Wigan Purple July 9, 2026
16 th July	Finish for Summer Break at 3:30pm
17 th July	Inset day – Staff only
1 st September	Inset day – Staff only
2 nd September	Children return to school at 8:50am
9 th September	Rock Kidz 🙌🎸

Useful Links

School Instagram Account <https://www.instagram.com/st.michaelsceprimaryschool/>

School Facebook Account <https://www.facebook.com/HoweBridgeStMichaelsPrimary>

School Lunches to be ordered on <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk>

Apply for Free School Meals <https://forms.wigan.gov.uk/xfp/form/750>

Internet Safety Links: [Safer Internet Day 2025 - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Mental Health and wellbeing details – www.actionforhappiness.org

Samaritans 116 123 (freephone 24 hours a day)

Mind - www.mind.org.uk

Online resources

For parents:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

For children:

<http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/>