

St. Michael's C.E. Primary School

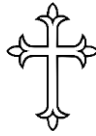
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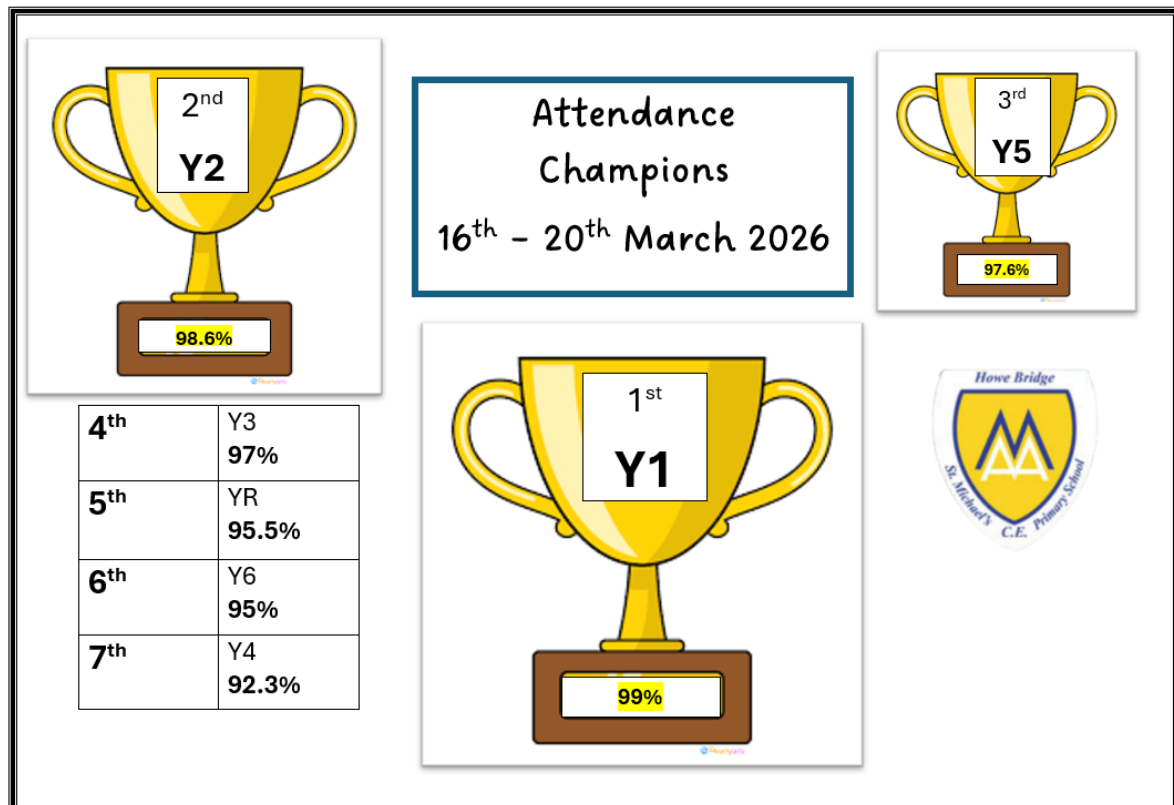
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'Immersed in a Christian Community, each individual is encouraged, challenged and nurtured to learn and grow to achieve their full potential.'

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Newsletter 27th March 2026

Weekly Class Attendance



Parents' Evening Appointments Now Open

We are pleased to let you know that Parents' Evening appointments are now available to book via ClassDojo.

Appointments will take place on:

- Tuesday 31st March
- Wednesday 1st April

Please log in to ClassDojo to select a convenient time slot.

We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress.

Parents' Evening

Tuesday 31st March

Wednesday 1st April

Book Fair Reminder 📖

Just a reminder that we will be hosting our **Book Fair in school next week during Parents' Evening.**

This is a great opportunity to browse and purchase a range of books for your child to enjoy. Every purchase also helps support our school by earning rewards to spend on new books.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Lovers' Lane Mining Disaster Commemoration Service

Members of our community are invited to attend a special commemorative service to remember those who lost their lives in the Lovers' Lane Mining Disaster.

📅 Saturday 28th March 2026

🕒 2:00pm

📍 St Michael & All Angels' Church, Howe Bridge

The service will begin at 2pm in the church and will be followed by the unveiling of a permanent memorial at Colliers' Corner, Leigh Road / Lovers' Lane junction, Howe Bridge.

This event offers an important opportunity for the community to come together to reflect, remember, and honour the miners who lost their lives in this tragic event in Atherton's history.

All are welcome to attend and pay their respects. 🙏



Wigan Warriors ICON Camp.

Wigan Warriors Community Foundation are excited to launch an ICON CAMP that will see different Wigan Warriors legends from past and present visit Robin Park to get involved with the fun of camp week.

Taking place at Robin Park Arena from Tuesday 7th April– Thursday 16th April (9am-3:30pm).

Open to children aged 5–16 of all ability and experience levels, camp participants will be coached by our Community Foundation team, who will develop core skills and game understanding in a fun, inclusive, and engaging environment. Our ICON camp is priced at £19 for a single day, £59 for the entire week or £105 for the 2 weeks!

WEEK 1 - Tuesday 7th - Friday 10th April

WEEK 2 - Monday 13th - Thursday 16th April

HAF E-Vouchers are accepted by going to [HolidayActivities.com](https://www.holidayactivities.com) | The dedicated [HAF platform](#) and searching for 'Wigan Warriors'.

Book your place now at- [Wigan Warriors ICON CAMP - Universe](#)

Important Information:

- Please bring boots and trainers as our camp will have elements of indoor and outdoor activities.
- Bring a packed lunch, large water bottle, and suitable clothing for all weather conditions.
- Notify the Community Foundation of any special requirements prior to the camp starting.
- Parents are not permitted to stay on site to watch.
- We are a nut-free camp, please do not bring products containing nuts to our camp.

For more information on our Wigan Warriors Community Foundation Camps, contact community@wiganwarriors.com

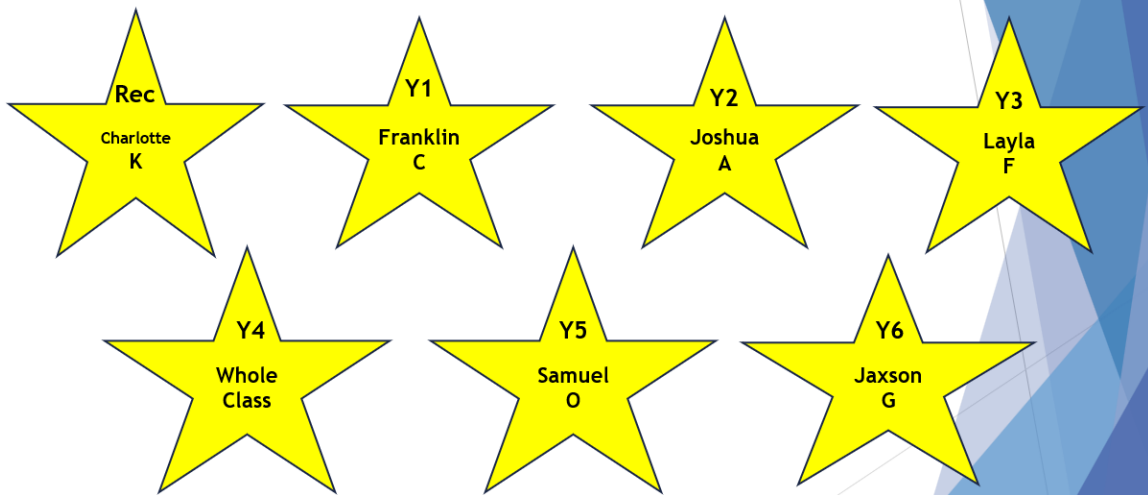


Easter Activities



Easter holiday Minecraft socials are at both Wigan and Leigh Libraires. Each session is an hour long and open to all families, booking details are contained in the flyer. The events are normally popular and a great way for children to spend an hour of the holidays creating builds in Minecraft either on their own or with friends.

A flyer for 'Easter Minecraft Social' events. The top section features the 'Computer Xplorers' logo and the event title 'EASTER MINECRAFT SOCIAL' in large, bold letters. Below this, it specifies the locations: 'WIGAN & LEIGH'. The flyer includes a description: 'Give your child a head start in the digital world with our Minecraft Social. Join us and fellow players in Minecraft Education to build, create and Xplore! Developing teamwork, communication, problem-solving, and digital skills along the way!'. It lists the dates and times for both libraries: Wigan Library (9th & 13th April, 9.30-10.30am) and Leigh Library (7th & 15th April, 2.30-3.30pm). A yellow starburst indicates the price is 'Only £7.50'. The flyer also includes a QR code, a booking link (computerexplorers.co.uk/bolton-wigan/holidays), and contact information (Email: bolton@computerexplorers.co.uk). The bottom of the flyer features the slogan 'Preparing children for the future' and social media icons for Facebook and Instagram.

Stars of the Week



Next week at a glance

Week beginning	Before school	During the school day 	Music tuition	After school
30th March				
Monday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Year 1 outdoor PE Year 4 outdoor PE Year 3 indoor PE Year 4 Robinwood residential iRock band practise 	Guitar	ABC childcare
Tuesday	Breakfast club	Whole school singing worship Y3 indoor PE Y4 Drum Concert 2pm School Hall	Drums Violin	ABC childcare Parents Evening
Wednesday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Rec indoor PE Year 5 indoor PE Easter Service in Church (pupils only)		ABC childcare Parents Evening
Thursday	Breakfast club	Class Worship Rec outdoor PE Y5 outdoor PE Y6 indoor PE Year 2 indoor PE		ABC childcare

		Easter Egg/ Bonnett competition		
		Finish for Easter Break at 3:30pm		
Friday	Breakfast club	Whole school Celebration Worship	Keyboard	ABC childcare
Good Friday Children not in school		Year 2 outdoor PE Year 6 outdoor PE Year 1 indoor PE Year 4 indoor PE		

Future dates for your diary

(Please note, these will be added to frequently)

20 th April	Children return to school at 8:50am
30 th April	Reception to Smithill's Open Farm
4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
25 th – 29 th May	Half Term
Sunday 14 th June	 ATHERTON CARNIVAL Sunday 14 th June 12:00 - 5:00pm
26 th June	Choir Concert – Ticketed Event 6PM – 8PM
29 th June – 3 rd July	Year 6 Residential trip
6 th July	Year 1 Bring Yer Wellies trip
8 th July	Year 2 to Kenyon Hall Farm
	Year 5 to Manchester Museum
9 th July	 Turn Wigan Purple July 9, 2026 Wigan & Leigh Hospice
13 th July	Y6 Leavers Service in Church 2:45pm (Parents Welcome)
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
4 th September	Year 5 First Swimming session
9 th September	Rock Kidz 🙌 🎸
1 st December	KS1 Panto – Goldilocks and the Three Bears
7 th December	KS2 Panto – Goldilocks and the Three Bears

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>
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/>