

Mental health and wellbeing have been at the forefront of our week. Looking after our mental health matters for both children and adults: taking time to talk, connect and do things we enjoy helps us feel supported and ready to face challenges. It was lovely to see the children wearing something they felt comfortable in today, celebrating the importance of feeling happy and at ease in themselves.

Cycle to School Week has been a great success, with more children making an active journey to school. Cycling, scooting and walking help us keep fit while doing our part to care for the environment. Thank you to our families for supporting this initiative, and well done to everyone who took part! We hope these healthy habits will continue beyond this week.

There has been plenty of exciting learning both in and out of school. Year 2 visited Rochester Castle, bringing their history learning to life, and explored the skeletal system with 'Hands on Science'. Year 6 took part in a hands-on heart dissection, deepening their understanding of how this vital organ works. Our sports team also represented St Michael's at the Hockey Mini Youth Games, and we are proud of their teamwork and commitment.

Next week, we begin our parent consultations, giving you the opportunity to hear about your child's learning, progress and next steps, including their targets in maths, English and RE. Our Parent Forum will also meet next week on Friday 16th at 2:30pm. Please come along and have your voice heard—we value your ideas and feedback. If you would like to suggest an item for the agenda, please email parentforum@st-michaels.medway.sch. A link will be sent to parents who are unable to join us in person.

Next week is our final week of term, and we have lots to look forward to, especially our Cultural Day! Although this is a TAG day, we would love children to wear clothing that celebrates their culture or heritage if they wish. We also invite parents and carers to contribute a dish from their home country or culture, helping us celebrate the wonderful diversity of our school community. Please get in touch if you are able to contribute—we look forward to sharing this special celebration together.

Have a blessed weekend, Mrs Collins



Celebration of the Word

This week, we reflected on Jesus' parable of the tenants in the vineyard from Matthew 21:33-43. In the Gospel, a landowner carefully prepares a vineyard and entrusts it to tenants while he is away. When he sends servants to collect the fruit, the tenants refuse to listen and treat them badly. Finally, he sends his son, but the tenants reject him too. Through this parable, Jesus teaches us about listening to God, respecting the gifts He has given us, and responding faithfully to His love.

We thought about how God entrusts each of us with many gifts and opportunities. Just as the tenants were expected to care for the vineyard, we are called to care for the world around us, show respect to others, and use our talents wisely. Jesus reminds us that God wants us to bear good fruit through our actions, words, and choices each day.

As the week comes to a close, families might like to talk about the gifts and talents God has given them and how they can use them to help others. Taking a few moments to thank God for His many blessings and asking Him to help us make good choices, care for His world, and grow in kindness and love can be a wonderful way to end the week.



CELEBRATING OUR GOLDEN TIE WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS AWARDED THE GOLDEN TIE FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS.

St. Barnabas	Ernie-George Smith
St. Jude	Mercy Aluri
St. Andrew	Hana Samuels
St. James the Lesser	Zaafir Hussain
St. Simon	Greyson Bartlett
St. Philip	Dinis Reis
St. Matthew	Abdul Adebisi
St. John	Julia Januszkiewicz
St. Thomas	Myah-Blu Oduenyi
St. Matthias	Elizabeth Ayeni
St. James the Greater	Elvis Ogu
St. Bartholomew	Fana-Reine Gomis
St. Augustine	Alessio Ndreci
St. Paul	Niyilah Hallam
St. Peter	Patricija Leliugaite

CIRCLE AWARD

OUR VALUE OF THE WEEK: RESILIENCE

THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN HAVE RECEIVED THE CIRCLE AWARD.

RECEPTION: LIAM ORFIANO

YEAR 1: JESSI JAI THANDI

YEAR 2: OLIVIA OLEJARZ

YEAR 3: SIENNA RAHMAN

YEAR 4: ELIZABETH OSABIYA

YEAR 5: GEORGIA GRIMES & JORDAN KNIGHT

YEAR 6: ROHAN DEVARAJ

VERY WELL DONE. YOU ARE EXCELLENT AMBASSADORS FOR THE SCHOOL!

HOUSE POINTS



TOTAL POINTS FOR THE WEEK:

ST. LUCY: 5604

ST. BERNADETTE: 4448

ST. JOAN: 4901

ST. THERESE: 5023

TOTAL POINTS SO FAR:

ST. LUCY: 25623

ST. BERNADETTE: 23752

ST. JOAN: 24646

ST. THERESE: 24122

ATTENDANCE



WEEK BEGINNING:

MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2026

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

96.47%

INFANT CLASS OF THE WEEK:

ST. PHILIP (99.33%)

JUNIOR CLASS OF THE WEEK:

ST. JOHN (99.33%)

BUSTER'S BOOK CLUB



THE WINNING CLASS IS:

ST. PHILIP

WALK ON WEDNESDAY



THE WINNING CLASS IS:

ST. SIMON

Term 1 Dates for your Diary

12 Oct: Parent Consultations- Nursery

13 Oct: Parent Consultation- Reception

14 Oct: Individual and family photographs from 8am. Parent Consultations- Year 1

15 Oct: Parent Consultations- Year 2

16 Oct: Parent Consultation- Year 3 and Parent Forum 2.30pm.

19 Oct: Parent Consultation- Year 5

20 Oct: Flu vaccination Reception to Y6. Parent Consultation- Year 6

21 Oct: Y1 Superhero Day and Y2 Assembly St. Matthew Class Assembly. Parent Consultations- Year 4

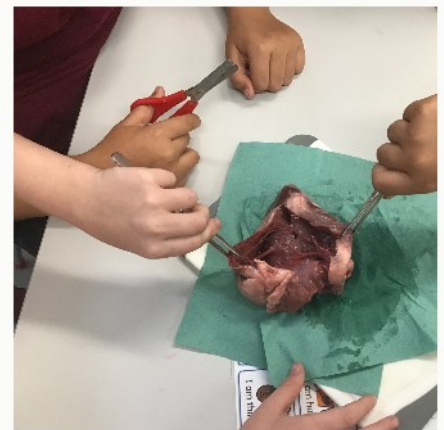
22 Oct: Y6 Assembly- St. Paul.

23 Oct: Last Day of Term. Tag Day. Cake Sale. Cultural Food Celebration.

26 Oct-6 Nov: Autumn Break

OUR AMAZING LEARNING

Check out the fabulous learning we have been doing this week!



The following children celebrated a birthday this week, or will do over the weekend...



Dominion
Lilly
Alfie
Blue
Mariam



Term 1: Dates for your diary

September 2026

1 Sept: INSET Day.

2 Sept: Children start school.

7 Sept: Beginning of Year Mass, 10am. Parents welcome.

8 Sept: Year 4 Guildhall Museum trip.

9 Sept: Housekeeping Meeting for Parents.

10 Sept: Year 6 PGL Parents Meeting

15 Sept: Medway Test. Children to arrive promptly.

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18 Sept: Wear Jeans for Genes Day (£1 minimum donation). Y5 Rochester War Memorial trip.

21 Sept: Y4 Rochester Gurdwara visit.

22 Sept: Y3 Guildhall Museum trip.

23 Sept: Y6 PGL begins.

24 Sept: Y6 PGL. Trauma Informed Parent Workshop 2pm. Y2 Victoria Gardens Trip- Fieldwork.

25 Sept: Y6 PGL. Beginning of Year Mass at St George's Cathedral. Prayer Leaders attend.

28 Sept: Harvest Food Collection begins. Donations due by 2 Oct.

29 Sept: Feast of St Michael Mass 10am led by Y4. Parents welcome.

30 Sept: Y3 Victoria Gardens Trip- Fieldwork.

October 2026

1 Oct: Black History Month begins. School Census Day. Early Years Headcount.

5 Oct: Cycle to School Week begins. Harvest Mass 10am led by Y3.

6 Oct: Y2 Rochester Castle trip.

7 Oct: Hands on Science workshops for Y6 and Y2.

9 Oct: Mental Health Day. Wear what makes you happy.

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