



WEEK BEGINNING 25TH NOVEMBER

Events this week:

Monday 25th November	9:00 KS2 Eucharist 6:00 PTA Wreath making workshop
Tuesday 26th November	PTA Reindeer Visit – all day 6.00pm PTA Wreath making workshop
Wednesday 27th November	Year 5 trip to the British Museum

Looking forwards: (dates/times may be subject to change)

Friday 6 th December	9.00am Post residential assembly Y6 parents invited (please do not park in Church car park for this event)
Monday 9 th December	SEND Coffee Afternoon for parents 2-3pm
Tuesday 10 th December	Panto at SHP Yrs 1, 2 & 3
Wednesday 11 th December	Panto at SHP Yrs 4, 5 & 6
Thursday 12 th December	EYFS Nativity Rocksteady Concert
Tuesday 17 th December	KS1 Nativity
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas lunch KS1 Nativity
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas service in Church
Friday 20 th December	END OF TERM (1.30pm finish time)

A reminder that the back gate to the school is NOT in use between the hours of 9am and 3pm. Please report to the front gate on Crowthorne Road between these hours.

Don't forget you can see key events on the school website Calendar page

<https://www.stmichaelsesthampstead.com/diary/grid/2024/10/>

Message from Mrs Johnson:

Dear families of St Michael's,

You will have received a letter from our Governors alongside the latest Ofsted report for the school. As a staff team we are delighted that all the hard work of the last 2 years has resulted in the positive comments in the report. It is especially pleasing to read that the inspectors found our children to be as engaging and enthusiastic about their learning as we do.

It is also notable that our previous report left us with 4 significant areas for improvement whereas this report gives us 2 – progress indeed!

One class who showed this enthusiasm for learning were year 3. Last week they survived a day as Stone Age inhabitants discovering more about how people of that time lived and survived, some of which left a distinct smell in the classroom. Everyone finished the day with a host of memories and their learning was put into a real-life context.

I know that many of the children have been hoping for a “Snow Day” following the sudden snap of cold weather and briefly last week we had the excitement of watching snow fall – for about 1 minute! Please make sure that children have appropriate clothing and footwear during this cold spell, we will be sending them inside if they do not wear a coat at playtimes.

Currently, the forecast is not showing any signs of significant snow in this area so we expect to be fully open.


The school calendar is filled with Christmas linked activities as we work our way through the Advent season towards the birth of Jesus. Please access the calendar to find out more.

And finally, thank you to all the volunteers who join us on trips, church visits, PTA activities and so much more. As a small school we are dependent on your help and support.

Best wishes

Caroline Johnson

PLEASE NOTE – On Monday 25th November, the office will be operating on a skeleton staff. Please email any urgent enquires on this day to secretary@stmicheast.co.uk (please do not use Mrs Couchman's email address on this day). Please avoid any phone calls until after 10.00am. Absence messages can please be left on the absence line.



St Michael's Easthampstead C of E Primary School 'Let's Connect' Coffee Afternoon

*An opportunity to connect with other parents, meet friends,
feel involved, and possibly learn something new.*

What's on:

*'Let's Connect' over coffee and conversations and
ask any questions to a representative from the
Local Authority Autism support team! Join us for a
delightful afternoon of parent-to-parent bonding.
Share experiences, make new friends and build a
strong SEND community.*

Welcome to all parents, your connections matter!

If you would like to come along, please join us at
St Michael's Easthampstead School on

Monday 9th December at 2pm-3pm in the Zen Den
where our coffee afternoon will take place.

For any further information, please speak to Mrs
Clover (SENCo).

ST MICHAEL C OF E EASTHAMPSTEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL
CROWTHORNE ROAD, EASTHAMPSTEAD, RG12 7EH.

Christmas Market



Come and join us for
BBQ, Santa's Grotto, Mulled Wine, Games, Raffle, Tombola,
Cakes, Music and much more

6 DEC

FRIDAY, 5:30PM
UNTIL 7:30PM
FREE ENTRY

Christmas Market

Collection Dates 2024

We would appreciate your support in collecting the following items for our Christmas Market

- **Hamper donations 18th to 22nd November**
More information attached.
Please drop off in the gazebo. Please don't allow children to carry glass on the school site.
- **Packaged Sweetie donations 18th to 22nd November**
Lollies, multi bags, chewie sweets. NO NUTS
Please drop off in the gazebo.
- **Cakes Thursday 5th December.**
Shop bought or handmade with ingredients list please.
NO NUTS
Please drop off in the gazebo.
- **Bottles and Chocolate for Adult Tombola Friday 6th December. We will be having a non-uniform day too.**
Please drop off in the gazebo. Please don't allow children to carry glass on the school site.

Thank you

Christmas Market Friday 6th December 5:30-7:30pm

Dear Parent

We are busy planning for our Christmas market. This is the biggest event of the year, and we are determined to make this a success and raise lots of money to help your children over the next year.

This is where we need your help. We are asking for donations for Christmas hampers which we will then raffle off. Below is a list of donations that we need (please bring something from your child's class list, this is in an attempt to not have lots of one thing!). If you are happy to donate more than one item that is amazing. Thank you.

If you own a business and are happy to donate a voucher for your service, please do let us know as these would be a lovely treat to add to the hamper.

Finally, we also need baskets/hampers. If you have anything that we can use or any cellophane, ribbon etc. that would be amazing too.

We would like the donations delivered to the gazebo during the week of the 18th November. Any more information or questions please contact stmichaelseasthampsteadpta@gmail.com.

Donation Request

Reception

Mince Pies
Christmas napkins
Box of chocolates
Family size panettone
Crackers for cheese

Year 1

Sparkling wine/Bucks fizz
Stuffing mix
Quality Street or Roses tub/tin
Christmas Pudding
Tree Decorations

Year 2

Cranberry Sauce
Dates
Prosecco
Selection boxes
Christmas Cards

Year 3

Tree chocolates
Christmas napkins
Candy Canes
Box of biscuits
White Wine

Year 4

Panettone
White wine
Jam
After eight mints
Celebration/Heroes tub/tin

Year 5

Red wine
Shortbread
Red or Green Candles
Chocolate Coins
Wrapping paper

Year 6

Chutney for Cheese
Red Wine
Tub/ tin of sweets
Gift Tags
Sharer crisps

If you have other items that you feel would make a great addition to some of our hampers please feel free to bring or check with a member of your PTA or class rep, thank you.

Christmas Services

Sunday, 15th December
3pm - Christingle Service

Sunday, 22nd December
6pm - Nine Lessons and Carols

Tuesday, 24th December
3:00pm - Crib Service
7:00pm - 'Light up a Life'
11:30pm - Midnight Service

Wednesday, 25th December
8am - Christmas Day Service
10:00am - Christmas Day Service

 **Easthampstead Parish Church**





FAMILY FILM NIGHT

Friday 29th November
at 5pm

Hot Chocolate & Popcorn

All Welcome



A young boy boards a train and embarks on an extraordinary journey to the North Pole to meet Santa Claus. His life takes a turn after he encounters special people that make his journey memorable.

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* In Church Annexe

What is Thrive@StMichaels?

Every Wednesday 3-3:45pm in St Michael's Parish Centre (during the school term), we welcome any member of the Easthampstead community to donate, collect, share and reuse items so that all may thrive. **Come along for a brows and refreshments.**

We will have tables for children's coats & shoes, St Michael's uniforms, toys, books and long-life food items.

We will be collecting donations on Wednesdays 3-3.30pm in the Parish Centre. Please make sure all donations are in good condition and clean.

Want to find out more? Think you can help? Speak to Helen in the Parish Office or Revd Gareth.

office@stmichaelsesthampstead.org.uk



Easthampstead Parish Church

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families



**BRACKNELL
INDOOR
INDIE MARKET**

**LAST
BIIM OF
2024**

JOIN US FOR THE LAST BRACKNELL INDOOR
INDIE MARKET OF 2024.

WE ARE GOING OUT WITH AN ALMIGHTY
BANG AND SPREADING THE FESTIVE JOY
ACROSS 3 FLOORS FULL FABULOUS LOCAL
BUSINESSES FOR YOU TO SHOP SMALL THIS
HOLIDAY PERIOD.



**SHOP SMALL
SHOP LOCAL
SHOP INDIE**

**EASTHAMPSTEAD WORKS
SAT 30TH NOV & SUN 1ST DEC
10-3PM**



Winter 2024/2025

Newsletter

**FREE
until
JAN 25**



Understanding the Teenage Brain
Watch this recorded session in your own time, to learn why our teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

**Thursday
5th Dec
19:00 - 21:00
£24**



Supporting a Child with ADHD
Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

**Tuesday
17th Dec
19:00 - 21:00
£24**



Facing Defiance
Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme - Facing Defiance - 6 week course

**Tuesday
7th Jan
19:00 - 21:00
£24**



Anxiety-Based School Avoidance
Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

**Thursday
9 Jan
19:00 - 21:00
£24**



AUTISM:
Improving Communication
Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.

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