

ST. MICHAEL AND ST MARTIN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Diary Dates

05/05 - Spring Bank Holiday Monday - School Closed

07/05 - 2M Boston Manor Trip

08/05/25 - VE Day Mufti Day

09/05 - 6L Swimming

12-15/05 - KS2 SATs Week

16/05 - 6S Swimming

22/05 - Reception Zoo lab and Freshwater theatre

23/05 - 6L Swimming

23/05 - Whole School Mufti Day



Daily Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness or appointments, please ensure that you report their absence each day **before 9.15am**.

You can leave a message on our 24 hour absent line on **020 8572 9658** or alternatively you can send us an e-mail on: absence@stmichaelrc.hounslow.sch.uk.

If you are using the absence line, please ensure that you speak **clearly leaving your name, your child's name, their class and a brief description of why they are absent**. Simply advising us that your child is 'unwell' is not acceptable. Messages are very hard to decipher and on occasions are impossible to understand when there is lots of background noise. Please bear this in mind.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Free VE Day Mufti Day

Just a reminder that to celebrate the 80th anniversary of VE we will be holding a special free red, white and blue mufti day on **Thursday 8th May 2025**.

Each year group will also take part in different activities to commemorate this day to better understand the historical events that led to the end of the war.

Yr1 children may wear red, white and blue sportswear in place of their school PE kits.

Class Photographs

Photographs have now arrived in school and will be distributed to children through their classes.

Yr3 Hanwell Zoo & Brent Park Lodge Trip and Roman Day 2025

Please use the link below to read full details of these events.

This information has previously been emailed out to you:

[Yr3 Hanwell Zoo & Brent Park Lodge Trip and Roman Day 2025](#)

A payment request has been uploaded on your ParentPay account to make your payment for these events.

Yr6 Swimming Lessons

Please use the link below to view details of these lessons:

[Yr6 Swimming Schedule Letter 2025](#)

ParentPay



We continue to ask that you confirm that your child will be having a school meal via your ParentPay account and clicking on **'book a meal'** – don't forget to scroll to the bottom of the page to **'confirm bookings'**. Please remember that no payment is required for meals at this time.

If you receive a note from the office stating that meals aren't being booked, please don't ignore this. If you are having difficulties please visit us to enable us to try and resolve your issues.

[Summer Term Menu 2025](#)

Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding officer: Mrs Duggan. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the Designated Safeguarding Officers to seek further advice. I am very aware that during the past six months the personal circumstances of many families may have changed. If you feel that there is something that your child's teacher or I should know, please do make contact and let us know. Parents will often share a concern with me and end by saying, "I'm sorry for wasting your time with this." This is not the case. If there is anything, we want to know as we are here to help.

Polite Reminder: Water Bottles

You are kindly asked to ensure that water bottles are filled with cool/cold water only when bought into school. If you boil the water that you send in with your child, please ensure that it is properly cooled beforehand. This is especially important when using metal water bottles as these hold the heat for a much longer period.

KS2 SATs

Please keep our amazing Year 6 children in your prayers and thoughts as they enter into the final week before their KS2 SATs. The children have been working extremely hard on the road to these tests and it will soon be their time to shine and we wish them all the very best of luck!

Thank you to all the staff who have dedicated themselves to the focused learning groups on this long road to these SATs.

Nut Free Reminder

WE ARE A NUT FREE ZONE



May we respectfully remind you that children in the juniors bring either a piece of fruit or some vegetables for morning snack, **no other** form of snack is acceptable. Furthermore, no food containing nuts should be in children's lunchboxes. No sweets, chocolate or crisps should be included in any lunchbox.

Yr2M – Boston Manor Park Trip

Please use the link below to read full details of these events. This information has previously been emailed out to you:

[Yr2 Boston Manor Park Trip 2025](#)

Easyfundraising

Every time you shop online via easyfundraising at one of the 3,300 retailers including Amazon, John Lewis, Sainsbury's and Booking.com, a donation will be made to the school and it will not cost you an extra penny.

It's really simple to get started:

Go to:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmichaelstmartin/school/> or find easyfundraising on the App Store and download the app then search for (the cause) St Michael & St Martin school.

Sign up for free and get shopping – your donations will be collected by easyfundraising and automatically donated to the school. There are no catches or hidden charges and we can look forward to using the funds raised for much needed equipment. Several other schools I know have successfully registered as a cause and have raised £1000's. It could not be easier!

Please sign up today as we need all the help we can get!



Pupil Premium / Free School Meals

If your family financial circumstance have changed in the last year and you feel that you may now be entitled to receive the Pupil Premium Grant please use the link below to make your application to the London Borough of Hounslow.

[Pupil Premium Grant Link](#)

After School Clubs

Summer term clubs have now commenced and will run until **Thursday 17th July 2025**.

New Look Website

Our calendar is now up and running from the beginning of the summer term. As usual, this will now be updated on a regular basis to ensure that you are able to upcoming events in school.

Annuals Charge Payment Requests 2024 / 2025

This request continues to be available on your ParentPay account. Our letter sent out at the beginning of the autumn term outlines how these monies help us to support your child's learning further by planning focused learning weeks in many different including theatre group visits, workshops, cooking activities etc, all of which cost money.

All children participate in planned activities and therefore we do ask **all** families to make their contributions in a timely manner. Thank you to those families who have already made their contributions for this year. Your continued support is much appreciated and means that we can plan future learning avenues for everyone.

Please do not get this request confused with our annual governors payment request.

Term Dates 2026 / 2027

Please use the link below to view this information:

[Term Time Dates 2026 / 2027](#)

Late Arrivals

The school gates open at **8.35am**, and close at **8.55am** in readiness for the start of the school day. This is when focused learning groups begin and it is important that all children are ready to participate in these where applicable.

We currently have a number of children arriving after this time which is disruptive not only to these groups but to classroom activities. It also means that children are not ready to commence the school day. When children arrive after class registers close the attendance mark that they received (Code U) which does have an effect on their attendance percentages. Following a meeting with our School Attendance Support Service (SASS) liaison we have been advised that we should inform them of families who are persistently late. Persistent lateness is when children arrive at school on more than 2 occasions within a week over a 4 week period.

Please also remember that if you arrive when the school gates are closed you are required to accompany your child to the main reception where you *must* sign them in confirming the reason for lateness.

Carlo Acutis Exhibition

The children and staff have been deeply inspired by the life and work of Bl. Carlo Acutis, and we wanted to share this passion with our wider community. Over the Easter holidays, the whole school community worked hard to produce information and artwork to celebrate and share his story.

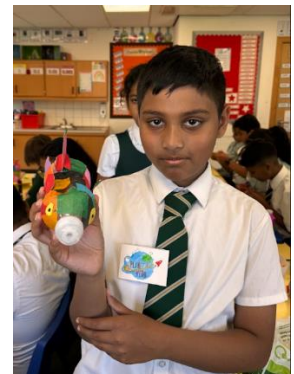
The exhibition included a range of activities and displays: videos about his life, QR codes linking to his website, comic books, word searches, online quizzes, and a chapel dedicated to Bl. Carlo.

The event was very moving and informative for our children, parents, and the schools in our deanery, and we were delighted to see such a positive response.



God's Planet

On Tuesday, we were very lucky to experience a presentation of God's planet from RISE theatre. The children spent the day watching and participating in performances, as well as carrying out lots of fun activities. As a school, we worked together to become planet heroes for God's world.



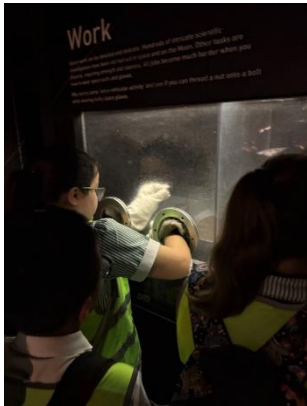
Miss Moran Marathon

Miss Moran completed the London Marathon 2025 on Sunday 27th April. Thanks to the support from our school, she raised £460 on our mufti day and over £2500 in total for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.



Year 5 Science Museum

On Thursday, the year 5 children went to the Science Museum. They explored technology through the ages, space and carried out lots of fun experiments in the Wonderlab.



Class Attendance of the Week: 21/04 – 01/05/2025

Class	Attendance Percentage
RB – St David	99.60%
4M – St Patrick	97.38%
6L – St Faustina	97.20%
5G – St Jude	96.17%
5O – St Louise	
3E – St Ann	95.97%
4S – St Paul	
6S – St Gerard	95.83%
Rm – St Theresa	95.63%
1G – St Nicholas	94.38%
3M – St John	94.35%
2P – St Abigail	93.75%
2M – St Beatrice	90.52%
1C – S Gabriel	91.04%
AM Nursery	89.50%
PM Nursery	89.06%

Please remember that the threshold for our school attendance is **96%** and it is important that we all work together to reach and even surpass this percentage. The huge dip in attendance percentages is extremely disappointing and is caused mainly by families taking extended term time leave.

School Uniform

Summer uniform may be worn now through until **Thursday 24th October 2025**. Please do use the link below to familiarise yourselves with this:

[School Uniform List](#)

Reflection

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone who fled to your
protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left
unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.
To you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
but in your mercy hear and answer me.



Amen.

