

St Michael's Weekly Post

Friday 20th March 2026

Rowan class had a really interesting day visiting the Pitt Rivers and Natural History museums in Oxford this week. In the morning, they explored the vast Natural History Museum collection, awed by everything from fossils, to rock formations to taxidermy animals. After lunch, they headed to the Pitt Rivers museum, where they spent some time handling Mayan artefacts and used what they saw in the museum to design their very own headdresses!

Elder Class have been investigating the work of artist Gillian Adair McFarland, who creates delicate drawings that can be experienced through touch, and Rachel Parker, who designs beautiful surface patterns on textiles. Inspired by their work, they had a go at creating their own repeated patterns.



Well done to our learners of the week!



Easter Service

We do hope to see you at the Easter service on Friday 27th March at 9.30am in St Michael's Church. We will bid farewell to Mrs Arkwright together and all are welcome to join for tea and coffee after the service in the Church. A reminder to those that might like to contribute to Mrs Arkwright's leaving collection that here is the link: <https://pay.collectiv.com/mrs-arkwright-leaving-present-78473>

Also please send in any messages that you would like to pass onto her for us to collate into the book by Tuesday next week please. Thank you!

After School Tag Rugby Club

We are delighted that Rhys will be returning for after school tag rugby after Easter on Tuesdays. Please contact crc@rwbrfc.club to book your child's place. It is available for Years 3-6.

Picture News

Story: Athletes from around the world have been competing in the Winter Paralympics Games in Italy?

Question: What makes someone a champion?

Virtual Picture News: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Message from the Aldbourne Fete Committee: Poster Competition

We would like to ask you to help us design a poster for this year's Aldbourne Village fete organised by Aldbourne Churches Together, by drawing a picture of your favourite thing about the fete (for example a stall, or the band, or the puppet show, or the bouncy castle, or the coconut shy, or the cream teas or anything else you like). Please see Weduc for the template to use and please hand entries into the school office.

Messages from the PTA:

Please see the below events that are coming up to help raise vital funds for our school.

Easter Egg Hunt

From Monday 23rd March, join us for an Easter Egg-pedition. Purchase your trail map (£5) from the Aldbourne Post Office and get hunting! There are 12 locations around the village where you can spot paper eggs, kindly decorated by St Michael's children. Each egg will have a letter next to it. Use these letters to rearrange and discover a hidden word. Once you have done so, head to the Post Office where you can receive your Easter egg. Good luck!



Wine Tasting Evening

Join Master of Wine Jeremy Lithgow for a fun evening tasting Mediterranean wines, with a cheese board, competitions, prizes and a raffle. Jeremy is one of only 425 Masters of Wine worldwide, so it's a great chance to learn from a real expert.

Friday 17th April at 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets are £27 each and can be purchased via the following [link](#).

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Messages from St Michael's Church

EXPERIENCE EASTER!!

23rd March – 2nd April 2026
St Michael's Church, Aldbourne

Come and follow the Easter story through the six displays :

- Palm Sunday - Future hopes,
- Jesus washing the disciples' feet - the Servant King,
- The Last Supper - "Remember me",
- Gethsemane - All alone - or are we?
- The Cross - Symbol of Hope,
- Resurrection - New life!



There are things to think about and actions linked to each one.



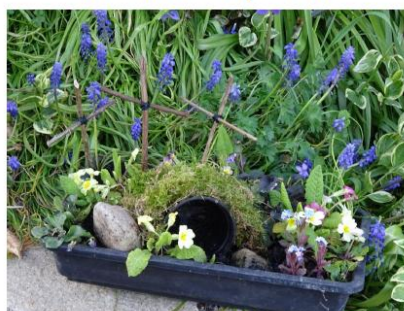
All the classes in Aldbourne school will be visiting on either the 23rd or 24th March - talk to the children about it afterwards...

The church is open to all during daylight hours, and there's plenty of food for thought for adults too!

Later, look out for the Cross by the Pond & the Easter Gardens in the church porch & at the top of the Green.

Easter Garden

Come and help build
a sad garden for Good Friday
and a happy one for Easter in
the church porch!



Thursday 2nd April, 10am

Further info from Sue Rodd
(541571 or revsuerodd@btinternet.com)

– let her know if you'd like to come!

Term 4

Please note the term dates for next year are now available on the [website](#).

Monday 23 rd March – 5 th April	PTA Easter Egg hunt around the village	Whole School Community
Thursday 26 th March	Tag Rugby Festival	Selected Rowan
Friday 27 th March	Easter Service in St Michael's Church 9.30am, followed by tea/coffee	Whole School
	Last day of term (1pm finish)	Whole School
Monday 30 th March-Friday 10 th April	Easter holidays	Whole School

Term 5

Monday 13 th April	First day of term	Whole School
	Explorer Dome in school	Whole School
Tuesday 14 th April	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe workshops	Birch, Rowan and Oak
Friday 17 th April	PTA Wine and Cheese evening, 7.30pm	Whole School Community
Friday 24 th April	PTA School Disco (more info to come)	Whole School

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