

St Michael's Weekly Post

Friday 24th April

It has been lovely to see the sun shine over the past few days and the children are enjoying being outside and fully emerging themselves in our OPAL play! We are so lucky that over the Easter break a team came in to create an amazing new mud kitchen and a 'tyre tunnel' on the field and this week the children have really enjoyed putting them to use.

We hope everyone enjoys the disco this afternoon. Thank you so much to our amazing PTA and all of the volunteers who have worked so hard to make it all happen.

We also look forward to welcoming Mrs Sharp back from maternity leave on Monday.



Well done to our Learners of the Week



Sun hats and sun cream

As the weather improves, please can we remind you to ensure that your child has a named hat in school at all times and that you are applying sun cream before they arrive. Should you wish, we are happy for you to send your child with a named bottle/tube of sun cream so that they can reapply it as necessary (the roll on ones are really good!). Please can you ensure that you have had a little practice doing this with your child. Thank you.

Parking/Road Safety

Could we politely remind all parents/carers to drive carefully through the village. With the lighter evenings and weather improving there are more children walking to and from school as well as meeting up with friends, so please be extra vigilant when driving.

Could we please also remind you **not** to drive up to either school gate for drop off and pick up. There are plenty of spaces to park within the village. Thank you for your cooperation on this.

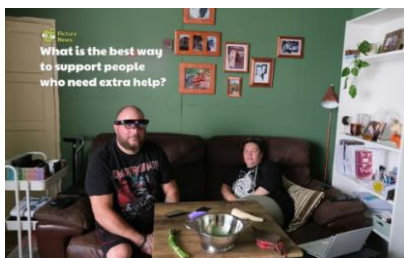
Ticks

As you are aware, we encourage the children to be outside as much as possible, particularly in the summer months. They often choose to play in long grass at lunchtime, therefore if your child is wearing shorts or a dress/skirt, it is advisable to do regular tick checks. For more information on ticks and Lyme disease please check out this [website](#).

Parent Survey

Thank you to those of you who filled in our short parent survey at parents evening this week. For those of you who didn't get a chance to complete it please use the following

link: <https://forms.gle/pTk6yqKAgVYwxnh38>



Picture News

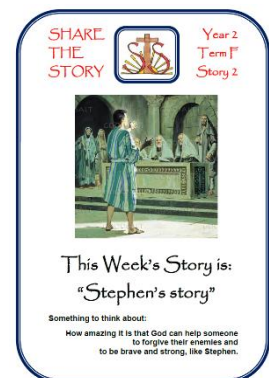
Story: New AI-supported glasses to help people with dementia or memory problems have won a £1 million prize.

Question: What is the best way to support people who need extra help?

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

Share the Story

This week's story was: "Stephen's story" - How amazing is it that God can help someone to forgive their enemies and to be brave and strong, like Stephen.



Message from the Parish of Whitton:



Plant, Cake and Produce Sale

Saturday 16th May
10am – 12pm at the Pond, Aldbourne

In aid of AYC

St Michael's Church Partner Charity

- Please bring any donations to the Pond from 9.30am on Saturday 16th May or:
 - Leave plant donations at 8 The Green between Monday 11th and Friday 15th May;
 - Take cake/produce donations to 10 Oxford St on Friday 15th May;
- If you have donations that you would like someone to collect, please contact MCW.SN8@gmail.com



The Aldbourne Youth Council operates the Junction - a youth and community centre that serves as a dedicated place for the young people of Aldbourne and surrounding villages to meet, learn and socialise.

Term 5

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

Friday 1 st May	NO Celebration Assembly	Whole School Community
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed	Whole School
Monday 11 th -Thursday 14 th May	SATS tests in school (including breakfast, arrival at 8.20am)	Oak Class
Thursday 14 th May	Newbury canal and concert trip	Hazel and Birch
Friday 22 nd May	PTA Fun Run and Breakfast event (8.50am)	Whole School Community
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May	Half term holiday	Whole School

Term 6

Monday 1 st June	First day of term	Whole School
Wednesday 10 th June	Roves Farm Trip	Acorn
Friday 12 th June	Summer Fair (Fiver Challenge stalls)	Whole School Community
Friday 19 th June	Ramsbury Estate Trip	Whole School
Monday 22 nd June	TD Day (children not in school)	Whole School
Friday 26 th June	Sports Day (Monday 29 th June reserve)	Whole School

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