



St Michael's
C.E. Primary School

*Courage to Flourish in the Love
of God.*

Our Vision

School Staff

- Mrs Roberts - Headteacher
- Mr Bhatti - Deputy Headteacher
- Mr Immanuel - Deputy Headteacher
- Ms Joyce - Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion
- Mrs Bird - Assistant Headteacher for Curriculum
- Miss Sturdy - EYFS Lead



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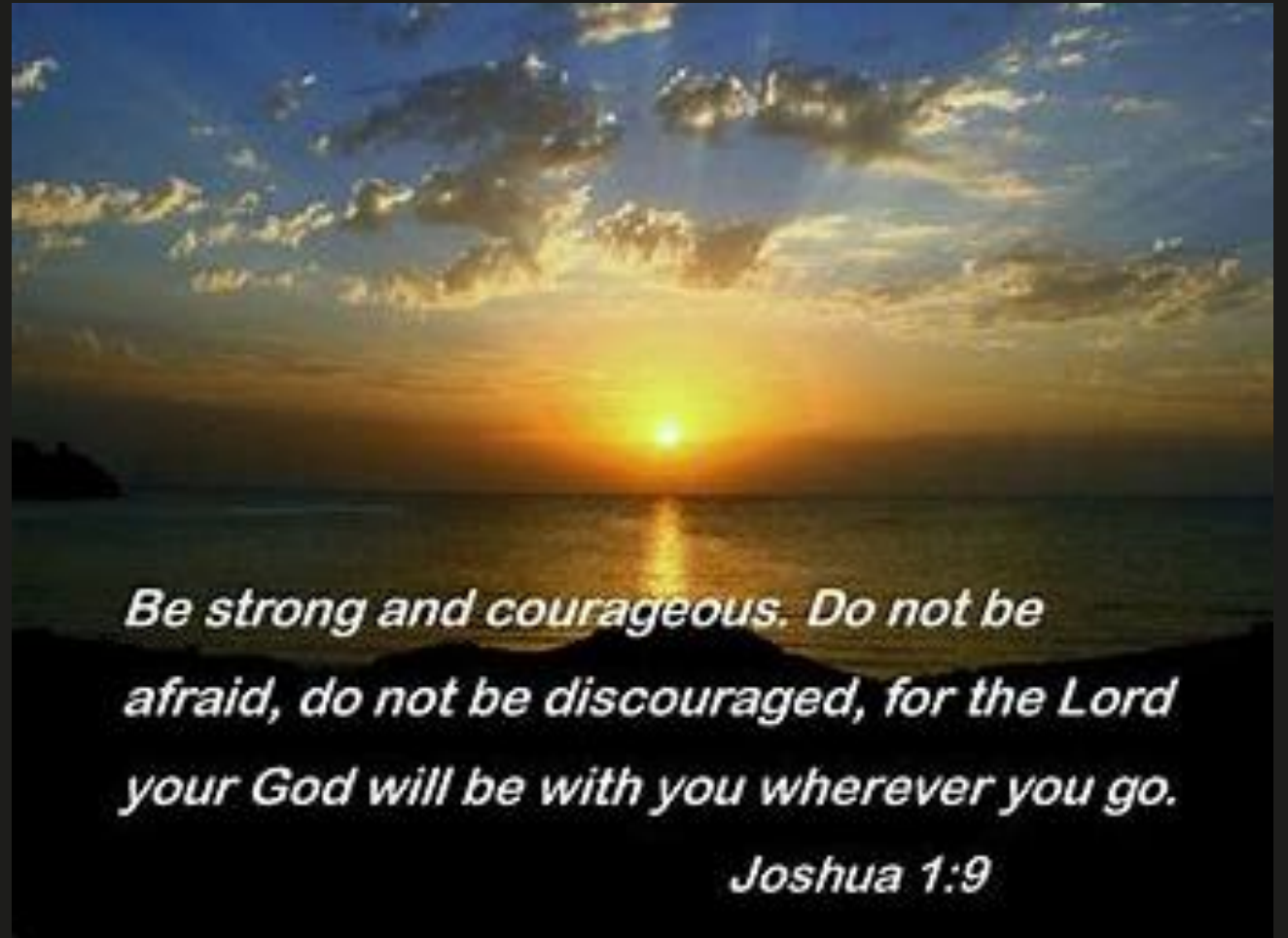


Our Scripture

*'Be strong and
courageous'*



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Our Philosophy

Our vision of '**Courage to Flourish in the Love of God**' and our values of **courage, hope, love, forgiveness, trust, community and thankfulness** are at the heart of our philosophy. We seek to provide challenging, life enriching, educational opportunities that raise aspirations, enabling all to flourish as **responsible and respectful** individuals **ready** to make a positive difference in our world.



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St Michael's Church



As a church school, we have strong links to St Michael's Church and liaise closely with Reverend Ruth who visits us regularly. Our Reception children visit church for celebrations including Harvest, Christmas and Easter.



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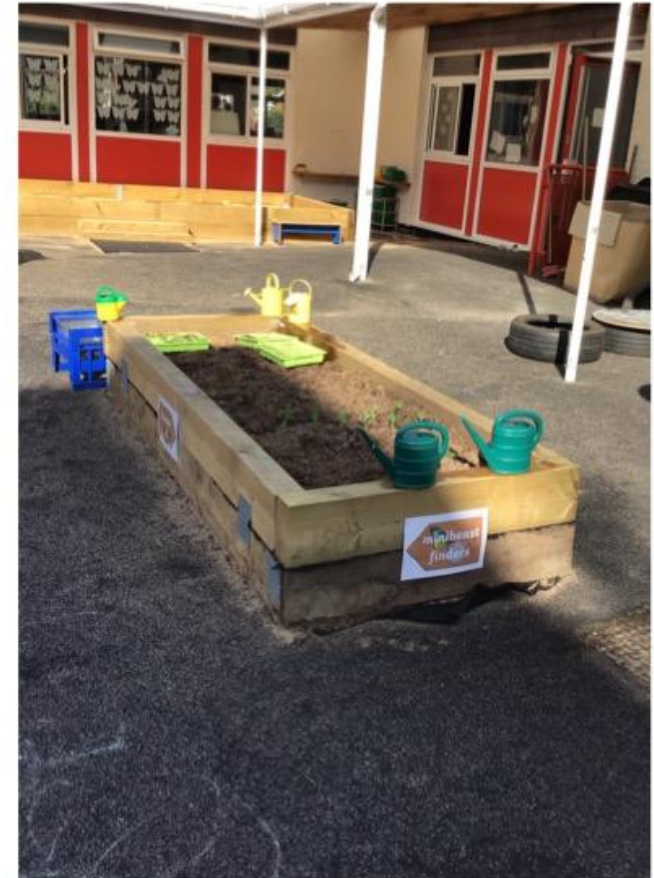
Reception Year at St Michael's Primary



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Areas of Learning

The new EYFS statutory framework forms the basis of learning in EYFS and is supported by Birth to Five guidance. The curriculum is delivered through the seven areas of learning. There are three prime areas and four specific areas.

Each area is carefully planned and delivered by staff to maximise learning and to provide a range of experiences.



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Reception Session Times

8.35-8.45

Children arrive and settle in for registration.

11.30-12.30

Lunch time

3.15

End of the day



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Reception Staff

Our wonderful key workers are looking forward to working with your children. Your child will be assigned a key worker in Reception, this member of staff will get to know your child's interests and work with them to achieve their next steps.



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Uniform

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- White polo shirt (with/without logo).
 - Red sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without logo).
 - Grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore.
 - Red and white check dress (summer).
 - Grey or black shorts (summer).
 - Black shoes.
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Uniform

Uniform is available to order from Kids Essentials in Northfield.

<https://kidsessentialsschoolwearbirmingham.co.uk/>



P.E Kit

In the Autumn Term Reception children will start to take part in P.E lessons in the main hall or outdoors. For these lessons all children must come into school wearing their PE kit. For P.E children are allowed to wear shorts, a polo shirt or t. shirt and pumps. A suitable tracksuit in school colours can be worn outdoors.

Pumps are needed for indoor PE and must come in a separate bag for children to change into for the lesson. Trainers are not to be worn inside.

PE Kit - Boys and Girls

Red or Black Shorts

White T-Shirt with Logo

Black Pumps/Trainers

Tracksuit bottoms/warm tops needed for outdoor games in winter



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Labelling

We understand how much a new uniform and school items cost and we try our best to ensure the children look after their clothing and bags. Please label your child's clothing, bags, lunch boxes, shoes and water bottles to help us return lost items to their owner.



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Spare Clothes

Reception is fun but some of the activities can get messy so please can you ensure that your child has a bag of spare clothes with them which can be left on your child's peg. They can be everyday clothes or spare uniform.

We will encourage children to wear aprons and waterproofs but as we try to develop independence, we are sure you will have messy but happy children leaving school at 3.15pm!



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Water and Snacks

You are asked to send in a water bottle each day and children are encouraged to drink throughout the day. The bottles are kept in a basket in the classroom. Please label your child's bottle to ensure they can find it.

They are offered water or milk and a piece of fruit.

You can order your child toast for 25p per day.



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Lunch

All children in Reception are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. You will need to order the school meal via Arbor. If you wish to provide your child with a packed lunch the lunch boxes should be **nut free and kiwi free** to ensure there are no issues with allergies. A non-fizzy drink should accompany the packed lunch.



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Reading Books

At St. Michael's we promote reading for all our children through our Little Wandle phonics programme. To foster a love of reading, the teachers will share a range of stories each week with the children. The children will be given access to a reading book that is at their level as well as a reading for pleasure book for you to share with your child. This allows parents to share books at home that have also been read at school.



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Getting ready for Reception



You can prepare your child for Reception by...

- Training your child to look after their toileting needs.
- Supporting your child to dress themselves, including putting on and taking off shoes.
- Playing games that involve turn taking.
- Reading stories to your child and encouraging them to 'read' to you.
- Allowing them lots of opportunities to draw, colour and paint trying hard to use a pincer grip.



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- Encouraging your child to name and describe shapes that they see around them.
- Bringing counting and number into everyday life.
- Singing songs and moving to music.
- Encouraging your child to put their coat on independently including zipping up the zip.
- Packing their school bag.
- Playing throwing and catching games.



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Next Steps

- *Wednesday 2nd July – Stay and Play session for children to meet the Reception staff and Parent Induction meeting*
- *Friday 11th July – home visits for children who have not previously attended our school nursery*
- *Tuesday 2nd September – children start Reception*
- *You will receive a letter with the details and timings for these events*





*Please feel free to contact us about any worries, concerns or queries by
emailing Mr Bhatti.*

at

office@stmichaelsb32.bdmatt.org.uk



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Paperwork



We are going to hand out the paperwork that will need to be completed before your child starts school. You can complete this today and we will support you if needed.



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