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***A fortnightly Newsletter for the pupils, parents  
and staff of St Michael's Catholic College***

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## Dragons Den

Our students did very well at Borough Market on 16th December. After workshops, before and after school sessions, and presentations to 'The Dragons', the day finally came where the students got a chance to sell their products at Borough Market. The students all played their parts over the project and today was no exception. With only half an hour left before the selling deadline the students managed to sell out of all of their products! (To which there was a huge cheer and a round of applause from our students to the lucky final customer). Some of our students did some research around the other schools stalls and found out that Charter had sold £250 worth of products on the day which unfortunately did outdo the £119.85 that we managed to earn.



With each school being given £250 to spend, it came down to how much of the budget we had spent to determine who ended up with the most overall profit and in turn the win. Charter spent all of their budget meaning that they broke even. St Michael's only Spent £16 on materials meaning that they made a brilliant £103! The students have decided to give this money to Cancer Research UK. This means that St Michael's now have won back to back competitions! All of the students - Ronnie Millett-Duffin, Brandon Paolillo, Libby Brown, Harvey Smith-Slatton, Stanley Perry, Ricky Obaseki, Michael Ezel, Daniel Olabiyi, Anthony Peixoto, Gabriela Oropeza, Maria Famotibe, Jade Kessie and Andy Berisha, were brilliantly behaved and were a credit to themselves.

A big thank you to Mr McCarthy for his DT expertise and Mr Marison for giving up his time to come with us today.

*Mr Parker*



## Year 11 Drama Exam

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015, 23 Year 11 Drama Students performed their very own pieces of devised theatre in front of a captivated audience of friends and family at the *Southwark Playhouse*.

Their performance was part of their GCSE grade (40%) and the enthusiastic reaction of the audience was testament to their wonderful hard work and group co-operation over the last 3 months. Students really relished the challenge of performing on a professional stage with the help of theatre technicians and directors and we are sure their hard work will pay off when they receive their results in the summer. Well done to all of them!

*Mrs Murtagh*

## South Korea Exchange Trip

St Michael's Students recently returned from an amazing exchange trip to South Korea. Mr Mahon and Miss McConologue accompanied fifteen Year 10 students on their return visit to South Korea. Highlights of the trip included trying the unfamiliar cuisine, getting to know their host families and attending a Korean School. As a bonus it snowed while they were there adding to the atmosphere. Mr Mahon said that the exchange had been a great



success and that the students behavior had been impeccable and were a great advertisement for the College.

There are more pictures of the visit on the College Website.

### Winter Wonderland

At the end of last term, Year 11 enjoyed a Christmas visit to Winter Wonderland in Hyde Park. There were amazing attractions including the Skating Rink - some students had clearly mastered this skill - and the German Christmas Market. It was a great chance for the students to socialise after a very busy first term in Year 11.



They are now ready to face the rest of this very important Academic Year . There are more photos from the trip on the College Website.



### Year 7 Table Tennis



Congratulations to Ben Hanscombe who organised a highly successful Table Tennis Tournament for Year 7 as part of his sixth form studies. Here is his recount of the event.

We had a great turn out for the Year 7 tournament that took place on the 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016! The winner of the tournament was Arvin from 7FO who faced Dimitrios from 7TA. The Year 7's were very supportive throughout the whole tournament and cheered everyone on. The event raised £25 which went to charity and I would like to thank all of the teachers and students who helped out with the event.

The winning form group will be announced in the next Year 7 assembly along with a trophy and certificates for everyone in the winning form who took part.

*Ben Hanscombe Year 12*



### Chaplain's Corner

Welcome back and Happy New Year from all in the Chaplaincy Team. On Tuesday 8th December, just before we broke up for the holidays, we began our Jubilee Year of Mercy which will take us through to November 2016. Here in St. Michael's we are encouraging students and staff to think about mercy in the way we interact with each other on a daily basis and we will also be holding our own mercy based activities and prayers.



Below is a prayer inspired by Pope Francis especially for the Jubilee Year of Mercy:

Lord Jesus Christ, by your life, death and resurrection you revealed to us the perfect love and mercy of the Father.  
 Help us to be merciful like the Father, help us to be forgiving and show compassion to others through our words and actions.  
 Send your Spirit to guide and renew us so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace.  
 We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.  
 Amen.



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**Important Notice from the Child Protection Officer - there is a copy of our Safeguarding Policy on the College Website. A hard copy of this is available in the College Office.**

### Dates for the Diary

- 19 Jan - Assessment Evening KS3 and KS4
- 26 Jan - Yr 9 Parent's Evening
- 2 Feb - Headteacher's Roundtable
- 9 Feb - Yr 9 Vaccinations
- 14 Feb - Yr 10 Parent's Evening
- 15-19 Feb - Spring Half Term