International Schools Award







At St Michael and All Angels, we are working hard to develop global links with schools in other countries. We are working to gain the International Schools Award – Intermediate Stage.

We have been involved in several projects throughout the year.

Black History Week

During Black History week KS1 focused on significant people who helped to make a change; such as Rosa Parks and Mary Seacole. In lower KS2, children explore Martin Luther King and look at some of his quotes and speech. In upper Ks2 children read the poetry of Maya Angelou and created their own poetry and art work based on it. Year 6 invited a speaker to come and talk about their race and what their race means to them.



Fairtrade Fortnight

At St Michael and All Angels, we believe it is important to support those around the world who are less fortunate than ourselves. We ensure our children are educated in how they can make a difference in the world and give them the tools and power to do so.

During Fairtrade Fortnight we looked at global issues such as where food comes from and how we are connected to different people and communities around the world. We learned about how we can make a difference by buying products that help combat poverty, support economies and build a brighter future for us all.



















The children in Year 5 created posters advertising Fairtrade products. Other year groups created Fairtrade lunch boxes. Some pupils baked cakes using Fairtrade products and evaluated the taste of the end result.

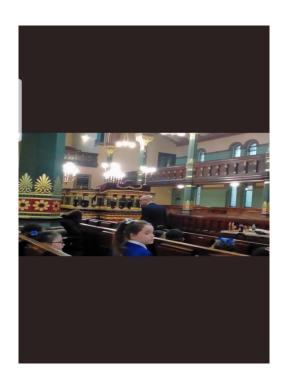
Other Faiths

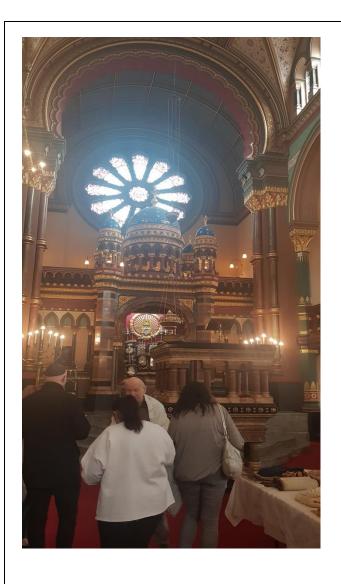
At St Michael and All Angels, we learn about other faiths and how different religions are practised around the world.

As a school, we have learnt about Judaism and Islam.

Judaism – each class spent the week learning about the religion of Judaism and compared it with the Catholic faith. We learnt about its origins and how the Jewish faith is practised around the world and in our own city. Year 3 went to visit a synagogue in Liverpool and experienced how the Jewish people come together to celebrate their faith. A member of the Jewish community gave the children a tour and a talk. The children asked lots of questions and learnt lots about the Judaism. Such knowledge builds respect for others and their beliefs.











Spanish Links

We learn Spanish in our school and we love to practise speaking our Spanish phrases daily. We have made links with a school in Malaga in Spain.

The school is called **Colegio La Asuncion Malaga**.

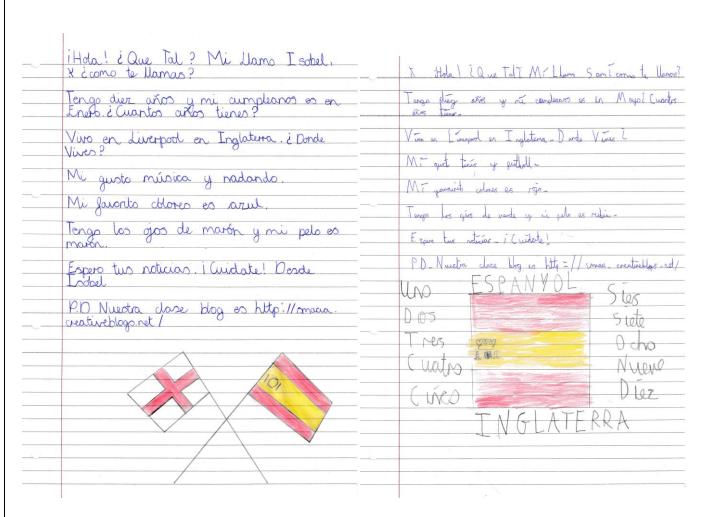
Year 3 and Year 5 from our school wrote letters to the Year 3 and Year 5 pupils in our partner school in Malaga. We were very excited about communicating with our Spanish school. We thought carefully about what we wanted to say about St Michael and All Angels and what we wanted to find out about school in Spain.

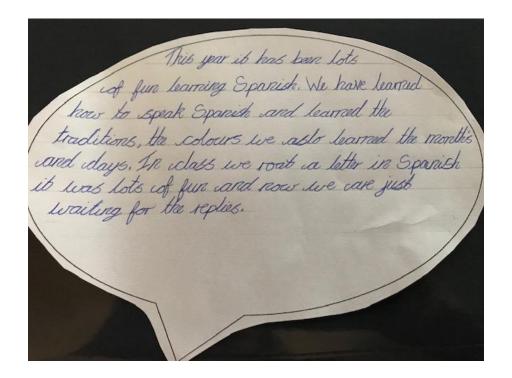
Here are some photographs of our letters to Spain. Our Spanish school are writing their replies. Look out for them here!











Our school is committed to developing links with other schools.

Last October, Miss Bowman attended the NW Global Conference and from that we have established links to enable staff members to make closer connections in order to develop their Spanish speaking skills and so improve lessons for our pupils. We have recently been granted Erasmus+ funding to enable us to develop our professional practice. The funding will be used for staff to be trained in language teaching in Malaga during the next academic year. We are also part of a cluster group which has applied for funding to visit schools in Spain and a reciprocal visit of Spanish partner schools.

We have formed a partnership with a school in South Africa. We are part of a cluster group of schools hoping to visit South Africa and work on a global linking project.

More closer to home, we are making links with an inner city school in Liverpool. We are hoping to form close relationships and to work on a multi cultural project together.

We are incredibly excited to continue to develop and broaden our international links!