

The St Michael Steiner School newsletter

*November
&
December 2021*



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A photograph of a double rainbow in a park-like setting. The sky is overcast and grey. A vibrant double rainbow arches across the sky, with the primary rainbow on the left and a secondary, fainter one on the right. In the foreground, there is a large, white, peaked marquee tent with a scalloped edge. Several people are visible under the tent, some holding umbrellas. The background is filled with trees, some with autumn-colored leaves and others with green foliage. The overall scene is serene and festive.

Thank you!

Many thanks to all who made the advent market possible this year: from the organisers, Lisa, Maria, Indre and Amanda; to those who helped decorate the school, run the stalls, tend the fire and host the advent spiral; and to all of you who braved the cold on the day to light up the grounds with your presence. Remember the spectacular double rainbow we were blessed with when the market was being set-up the day before? Of all places, it looks like the pot of gold might be hiding in the marquee somewhere!

Parents' study group and eurythmy

next term:

Fridays: January 14, 21, 28; February 11; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1

Venue: All Saints Church Hall (eurythmy room), Uxbridge Road, TW13 5EE

Study group

The Parent Study group will meet from 8:50 to 9:50am

Please contact Amanda at amandabell@stmichaelsteiner.com

Eurythmy

The eurythmy session will run from 9:50 to 10:50am

Please contact Michèle at michelehunter@stmichaelsteiner.com

*Parking: Along Woodlawn Drive or at the Leisure Centre (TW13 5EG).
Please don't park at the back near the hall, as this is reserved for Church staff only.*

We look forward to seeing you again soon.

Hello!

I am **Calia Sophie Otto** and I am looking for a **host family** to stay with while I join Class 10 in the **Spring term** from 7th January to 8th April 2022.



I am 16 years old and live with my parents, my brother and our dog in Bochum, **Germany**.

I am from the Widar Schule a Waldorf School in Bochum.

My hobbies are climbing and the school circus of our school.

I am really interested in royal families, especially the British one. I am a huge fan of Her Majesty The Queen.

I am a neat and clean person.

I would like to help you, for example with babysitting, German, other homework of younger children and cleaning.

If you think I could live with you I would love to get in contact with you.

Calia.Otto@web.de

SPRING TERM 2022

January

- 7th (Friday) - INSET DAY
- 10th (Monday) - term starts
- 20th (Thursday) Class 12 parents' evening
- 24th (Tuesday) - Class 7 parents' evening
- 26th (Wednesday) - Class 3/4 parents' evening



February

- 3rd (Thursday) - Class 8 parents' evening
- 4th (Friday) - lower school observation day (no school for classes 1-8)
- 7th (Monday) - Class 5 parents' evening
- 9th (Wednesday) - Class 2 parents' evening
- 10th (Thursday) - Class 1 parents' evening, Class 9 parents' evening
- 17th (Thursday) - break for Half-Term
- 18th (Friday) - INSET DAY
- 21st-25th - HALF TERM
- 28th (Monday) - back to school

March

- 5th (Saturday) 2021, 3:00 to 4:30pm - Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- 10th (Thursday) Class 10 parents' evening
- 24th (Thursday) Class 11 parents' evening

April

- 8th (Friday) - end of term

Term dates are available on the school's [website](#)

Student Spotlight



Watch Rose and Emil's scene from 'The Zoo Story' on the 'Student Spotlight' page of the school's website. <https://stmichaelsteiner.hounslow.sch.uk/student-spotlight/>

This month in the grounds...



Class 2's mineral shop



Class 1's path to... ?

Martinmas

in Classes 1 and 2

Some time ago now, in November, as the days were drawing in, Classes One and Two celebrated the Feast of St. Martin with a lantern walk. Each child tended their flame as they walked into the evening, anticipating the candles of Christmas. This festival of light happens around the time of the Indian festival Diwali, which also celebrates the victory of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, good over evil.



Chemistry in Class 8

In November Class 8 were lucky enough to steal Ms. Houghton from the high school for a main lesson in Chemistry. Equipped with goggles, labcoats, chemicals and thermometers, this was hands-on science, looking at the qualities of the seven classical metals, the chemistry of food, the hazardous process of soap making and the lime cycle. The three weeks ended with the construction and the overnight burning of a lime kiln. Here are some photos of their experience.

Peter Brewin



Class 8 Chemistry



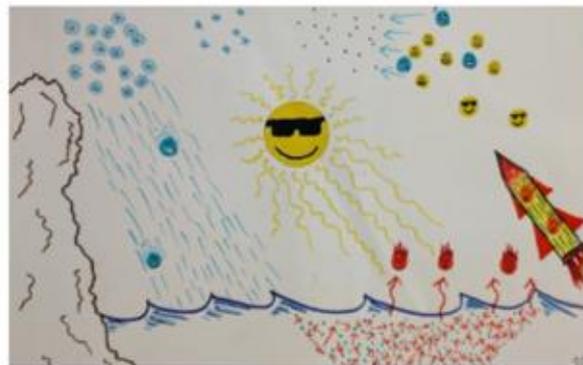
Class 9 Thermodynamics main lesson



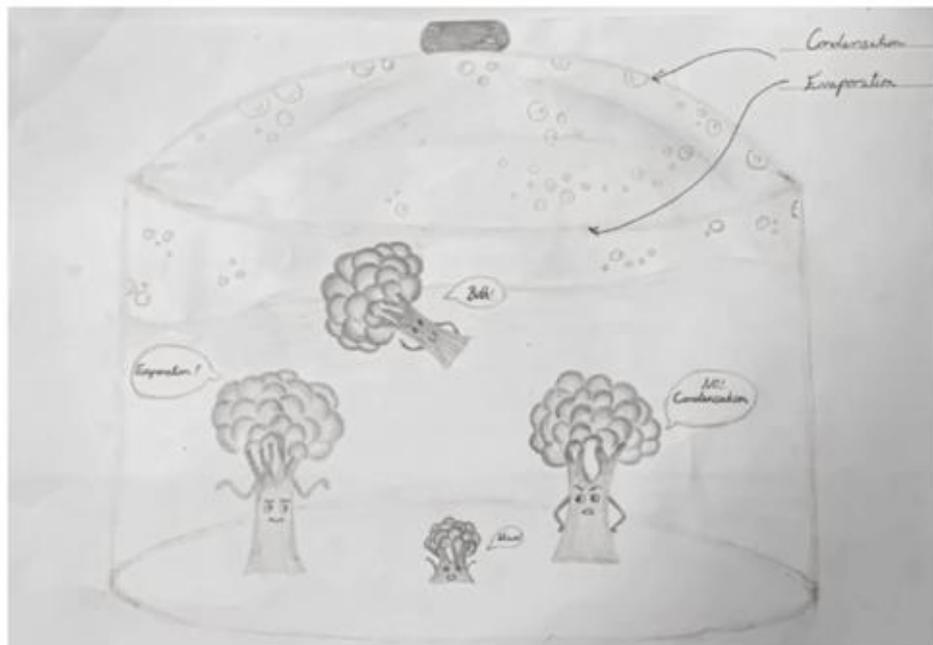
Class IX have been exploring the properties of solids, liquids and gasses and how they are affected by heat and pressure.

From what temperature is to what temperature can do, we have completed experiments and created memorable pieces to build on our knowledge and create a picture of interaction.

Alex Harrison



Class 9 Thermodynamics



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Evaporation

When I heat up water in a pot
 It gets oh so very hot
 Hello kids! Let me explain
 Why condensation is a pain

Why is it a pain you might ask
 Well its because my task
 Is to explain what it means
 In sophisticated means

Let's say we have water in a glass
 And its boiling very fast
 Meanwhile in the glass
 It is evaporating fast
 Specifically the particles are bouncing around
 And trying to find their ground

While they're bouncing up and down they leave their
 Group up into the air
 Here everything is bare.

Condensation

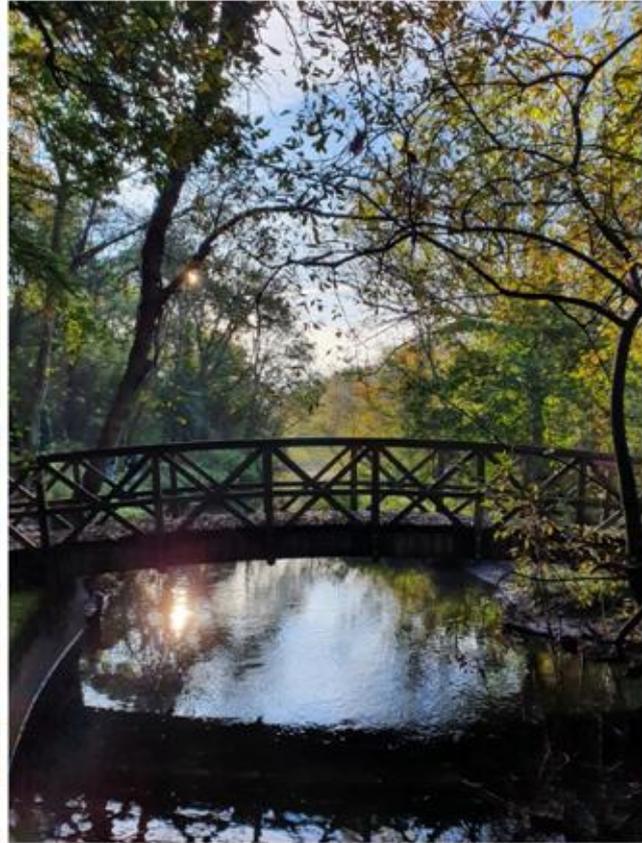
Wow Raff, you've outdone yourself this time
 Rhyming in this poem might end up fine
 But rhyming with condensation
 Might end up in complication

Lets get over with this task
 By explaining condensation fast
 Condensation is when
 Hot and cold become one again.



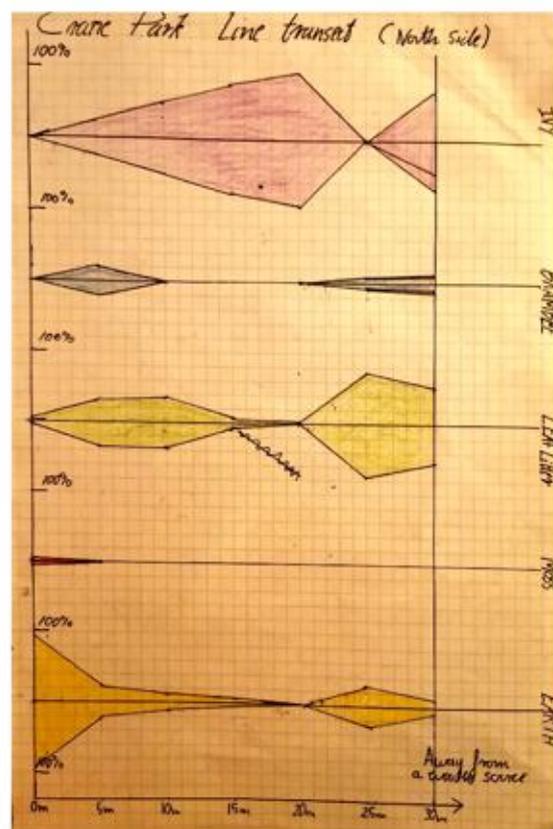


Ecology in Class 12

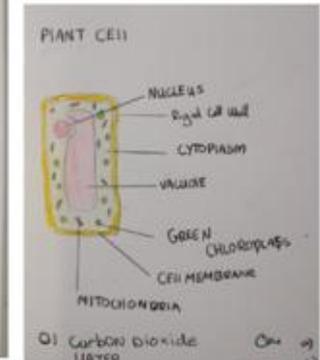
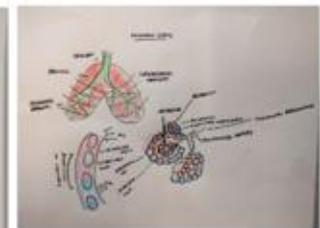
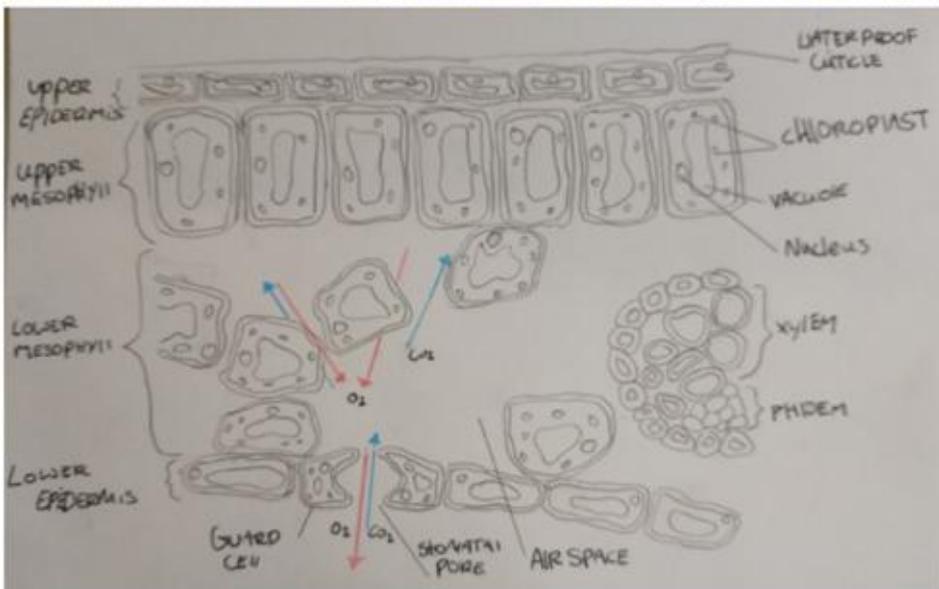
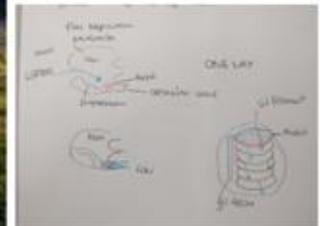
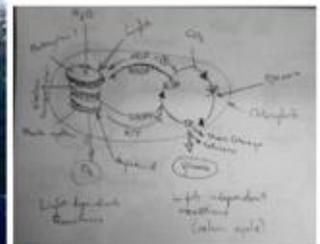
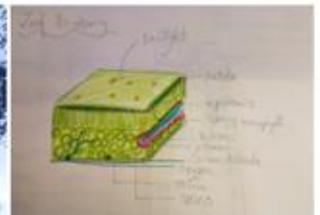
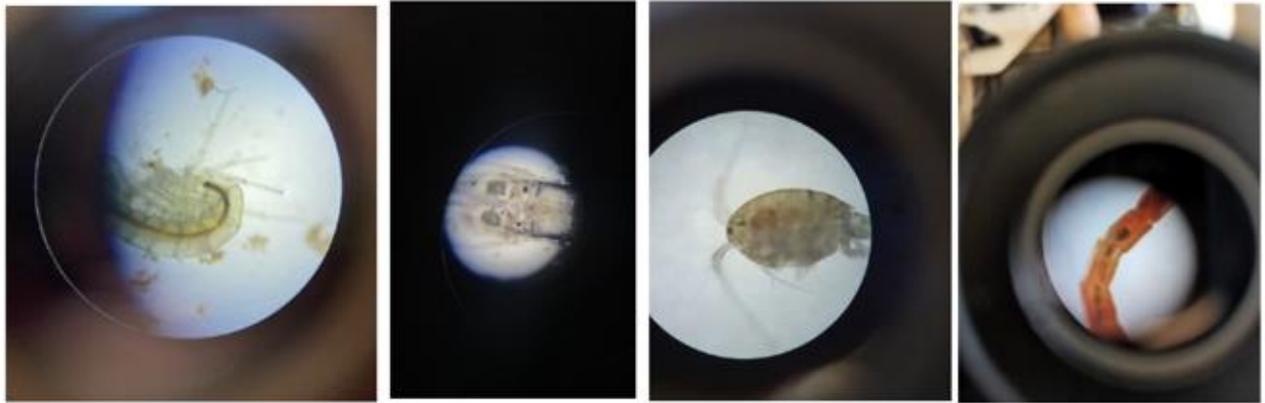


This month the class 12 biologists began their work towards their portfolio for this year. We started with Ecology. Collecting data via kick sampling, line, belt and point transects. We then id-ed species in the lab using microscopes and found out what soil types we had the the water pH using litmus paper. We then moved through: Respiration, digestion and immunity.

Alex Harrison



Class 12 Ecology



Community, notices and adverts

Please note that the school does not endorse or recommend, either in general or in particular, anything offered in the community pages and readers are advised to check the qualifications of practitioners or people offering services here.

Looking for a baby-sitter?



My name is Rose. I'm a 17 year old student currently attending The St Michael Steiner School and I have been in Steiner education since kindergarden. I love children, and I am dependable and responsible when it comes to work. I am currently looking for babysitting jobs for Friday evenings and the weekend. Rates are negotiable, I am happy to look after children of any age, and can travel within reach of the Richmond area.

Contacts - you can text me at
+44 07432 582 320
or send me an email at
rose.dowse@outlook.com

House Share

Dear St Michael's community,
My name is Beatrice Cianchi. My two young children and I would like to move closer to the school in December or January and are looking for another family or single parent to share a house with.

I am a freelance personal stylist and trainee waldorf teacher. My eldest child, who is five, is about to join the school. We have one dog, Sabrina.

If you are interested or know someone who is, please get in touch:
beatrice.nowhere.cianchi@gmail.com

Many thanks,
Beatrice

Bothmer Movement

Bothmer Movement Workshops 2021- 2022

Six in person workshops on a variety of themes throughout the year.
To find out more go to www.BothmerMovement.Online

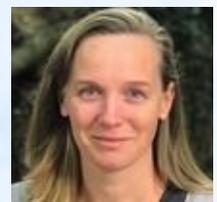
Move More

a weekly online class facilitated by Susan Kelly to mobilise, stretch and relax. The aim is to gently move and wake up all the parts of our body that don't get much attention in our 'generally' sedentary lifestyles.

Tuesdays 6 - 7pm, all welcome; parents, families, teachers. All you need is a small space to move and we often use a rolled up towel or belt for some exercises. I currently have a small friendly group at the moment. Here's the zoom link. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/236459584> Meeting ID 236-459-584

The classes are offered on a donations basis. You can donate by buying me a few 'coffees' at this website: <https://www.buymeacoffee.com/thesusankelly>

I send out a weekly reminder and if you'd like to go on this list please email me:
susan@bothmermovement.co.uk



Starting
15 Jan
2022



Do you care for young children or support parents? Would you like to learn a holistic approach?

Led by Early Childhood Experts Dorothy Marlen, Sam Greshoff and Silvia Lauzzana, this pioneering course offers an exciting journey of self-development and self reflection, providing a whole range of skills over and above a normal level 3 qualification.

The programme covers the development, care and learning needs of children up to five years old, with an emphasis on the crucial first three years.

Combining Steiner early childhood studies, a practical introduction to the Pikler approach and the EYFS requirements, the course provides a rich depth of understanding and a practical foundation in wide range of skills. The course will enable you to care confidently for children and support parents in a holistic and respectful way.

Who is it for?

- Carers of children up to 5 yrs old
- Parent and child group leaders
- Childminders
- Nursery teachers
- Kindergarten assistants
- Play group leaders
- Parenting course leaders

What will you learn?

- An integrated understanding of the development and respectful care of children up to 5 years old
- An in-depth understanding of how to enable full and gross and fine motor development in the early years
- Practical tools and principles for creating care environments that encourage play exploration from birth to five
- Hands-on experience in practical and artistic skills

- 'Home from home' and outdoor models of childcare
- An understanding of the theory of child development
- Current statutory requirements
- A journey in self-development that will confer skills and confidence in caring for children, as well as supporting parents

A Level 3 (EYE) certificate of accreditation from Crossfields Institute.

Programme Format:

Following the success of our 2020/21 course, the format will be a Blended-Learning Course with online teaching as well as a meeting and residentials at Emerson College and face to face meetings at Rudolf Steiner House, London.

Aprox 130 hours of online teaching, meeting on
Weds 19:00 - 21:00 & Sats 15:00 - 17:00

3 full day meetings at Rudolf Steiner House

Two 4-day residentials at Emerson College

*For dates and times please visit our course page (below)

Course fee: £2950*

Bursaries are available.

•excludes accommodation, meals and travel costs.

Applications

The programme has a limit of 22 places. Applications will be considered in order of receipt.

For information or to apply, visit: www.emerson.org.uk/holistic-baby-and-child-care

Or email Chiara Carones:
registrar@emerson.org.uk.

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peterbrewin@stmichaelsteiner.com

The deadline for the next newsletter is Friday 21st January