

Friday News

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Diary Dates



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Forward through Friendship and Faith

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SHARE OUR PRAYERS

This week in worship we have been thinking about honesty. Sometimes we make mistakes — we say unkind words, make poor choices, or hurt others' feelings. It's part of being human but what's important is how we respond when we realise we've done wrong. Being honest about our mistakes and asking for forgiveness helps us grow. It strengthens our relationships and helps us become better people.

Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, many Christians receive a cross of ashes on their forehead. This reminds us to say sorry for the things we've done wrong and try to become better people.

Dear God,

On Ash Wednesday, we will see the ashes and remember that we come from dust and will return to you.

Help us to be humble and to know that everything we have is a gift from you.

Help us to remember that life is precious and that we should use our time to love you and others.

Thank you for your mercy and for always giving us a new chance to grow closer to you.

Amen.

OUR SCHOOL RULES

**Kind Words, Kind Hands,
Kind Actions**

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

**Friendship, Trust, Compassion,
Forgiveness, Gratitude**

YEAR 1 PARENTS

PHONICS INFORMATION SESSION AND COFFEE MORNINGS

We will be inviting our Year 1 parents to come along and join their children in the KS2 hall for refreshments and to hear more about how phonics is taught in school and what you can do to help at home. Your child will be bringing home a personal invitation so we hope to see lots there!

MARCH

- Monday 10th 5NT swimming lessons every afternoon
- Tuesday 11th 6MN to Brunel University for 'Junior Citizens' event
- Friday 14th 9am Assembly for parents of Year 6 PGL Rivals pupils
PTA Second hand uniform sale before school and at the end of the day
- Monday 17th 5JP swimming lessons every afternoon
9am Phonics information session and coffee morning for selected Year 1 parents
Last week for after-school clubs
- Tuesday 18th 6ES to Brunel University for 'Junior Citizens' event
- Wednesday 19th Reception and Year 6 height & weight checks - school nurse
- Thursday 20th 9am Phonics information session and coffee morning for selected Year 1 parents
2.50pm 3MG class worship for parents - doors open at 2.40pm
- Friday 21st 9am 4LZ class worship for parents.
- Monday 24th 5JP swimming lessons every afternoon
9am Phonics information session and coffee morning for selected Year 1 parents
- Tuesday 25th 9am Easter coffee & craft morning for Year 2 parents
- Thursday 27th 9am Mothers' Day coffee & craft morning for Year 3 parents
- Friday 28th 9am 5NT class worship

APRIL

- Tuesday 1st Brunel Book Club pupils visiting Brunel University
- Thursday 3rd 'Read with Me' sessions for Nursery parents at 8.20am & 2.50pm.
'Learn with Me' sessions for Reception & Years 1- 6 parents at 8.45am & 2.45pm- No need to book
- Friday 4th 9am Assembly for parents of Year 6 PGL pupils
2pm Spring Term ends

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) TIPS FOR PARENTS

Please click on the link below if you would like some guidance and safety tips on the use of AI from the NSPCC:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2025/artificial-intelligence-safety-tips-for-parents/>

Family Breakfast

St Matthews Church Centre



Every Thursday before School
8-8:45am (Term time only)

breakfast and cartoons

£1 per family adult to accompany child

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CLASS OF THE WEEK

Well done to class **4LZ** who win 'Class of the Week' yet again with **666** positive behaviour points.

LUNCHTIME BEHAVIOUR AWARD

Each day, the hall/lunchtime monitors take the names of children who uphold the school rules or demonstrate one of our school values. Names are entered into a hat and a number of children across Lower and Upper School are selected at random and awarded with a non-uniform day for a day the following week. Well done to this week's worthy winners, who can wear their own clothes on **Friday 14th March 2025: Mylo, 2JB; Bertie, 2EM; Yasin, 3MG; Andrei, 4JM; Luca, 5JP.**

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

A reminder to all parents that the school does not authorise holiday during school time. We ask that parents call the school office before 8.45am if your child will be absent for any reason. **Whole school attendance from the start of the academic year 94.1%.** For the week beginning 24th February 2025, the whole school attendance was 96% which is our school target so thank you to all our families!

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	MERIT
NURSERY	95.7	N/A
RCB	95.3	Yuvraj
RTN	100	Anaaya
1LD	93.8	Eric
1SF	97.1	Molly
2JB	95.5	Neviah-Lee
2EM	92.3	Katelyn
3MG	98.7	Lily
3AH	92.9	Arissa
4JM	98.8	Vlad
4LZ	99.6	Lockie
5NT	98.2	Yusuf
5JP	93.1	Teddy
6MN	95.7	Abdullah
6ES	92.3	Bobby

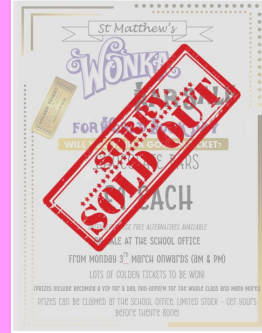
PUPIL ABSENCES

Please can we remind you that all absences should be reported to the school office by 9am each day.



A Second hand uniform sale will be held before and after school on Friday 14th March. All items are clean and are very competitively priced.

Details of the Wonka bars/Golden tickets winner coming soon!



FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER

Just a reminder that our new Family Support Worker, Mrs Thackeray, can support with a wide range of things, such as routines at home, behaviour management or support with applications and form-filling. You can make an appointment via the school office, or catch her at the school gates!

MEET THE STAFF

Each week a member of the School Council will interview a teacher for the Friday News.

This week, **Rohan** asked **Mrs Wilson**, School Receptionist, some revealing questions!

Rohan: If you could live in one country for free, where would it be and why?

Mrs Wilson: New Zealand because it is a seasonal country.

Rohan: If you could have any superpower, what would it be and why?

Mrs Wilson: To be able to heal people when they really need it.

Rohan: If you could eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?

Mrs Wilson: Roast dinner because it has everything I love on a plate.

Rohan: If you were stranded on an island, what would you take with you?

Mrs Wilson: Books, music and my family

Rohan: If you could meet any celebrity who would it be?

Mrs Wilson: Bruno Mars

