



Friday News

No. 19 - 2nd February 2024



St Matthew's CE Primary School

Forward through Friendship and Faith

Diary Dates

FEBRUARY

- Monday 5th** Year 6 visiting Yiewsley Library
- Tuesday 6th** Safer Internet Day - activities in school
Some Year 5 pupils taking part in Dodgeball tournament at Cowley St Laurence Primary
- Wednesday 7th** Dental screening for selected pupils
- Friday 9th** 1LZ & 4IT have non-uniform day for 'Perfect Attendance'
2.50pm 1SF class worship for parents
- Monday 12th - Friday 16th** **Half Term week**
- Monday 19th** Training Day - School closed
Year 6 pupils going to PGL arrive at 12.30pm
- Tuesday 20th** School returns after Half term break
PGL Rivals to Natural History Museum
- Thursday 22nd** PGL Rivals to Airport Bowl
- Friday 23rd** 9am 4IT class worship for parents
- Tuesday 27th** Year 4 pedestrian training

MARCH

- Friday 1st** 2.50pm 3BF class worship for parents
- Friday 8th** 9am 5SN class worship for parents
2.50pm 3MG class worship for parents
- Tuesday 12th** Proms Praise for Years 4, 5 & 6 at the Royal Albert Hall
- Friday 15th** 9am 6MN class worship for parents
2.50pm 2EM class worship for parents
- Monday 18th** Last week for all after-school clubs
- Tuesday 19th** Year 5 visiting Sri Guru Singh Sabha
- Wednesday 20th** Year 6 visiting Brunel University today
- Friday 22nd** 9am 4RM Class worship for parents
2.50pm 1LZ class worship for parents
- Wednesday 27th** Choir to Beck Theatre - details to follow
- Thursday 28th** Term ends at 2pm

APRIL

- Tuesday 16th** Summer term starts

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St Matthew's School Yiewsley

SHARE OUR PRAYERS

In worship we learned about the miracle of Jesus walking on water. When Peter began looking at the waves and storm instead of Jesus, he began to sink. This event shows the importance of trusting and having faith in Jesus.

Dear God,

Please help us when times are difficult and we feel like a storm is going on inside and around us. Help us to be brave and to talk to someone who can help us. Provide us with courage to face and overcome challenges. Amen.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please can we remind you that the welfare team will need to call parents to collect a child who either has a temperature or has been given calpol (or similar medication) to reduce feverishness.

Mrs Jones can advise if you are unsure whether your child should be in school.

PAYMENT REMINDERS

Just a reminder that the following payment items are 'live' on Parent Pay:

PGL Rivals (for all Year 6 pupils not going to PGL)

Proms Praise (pupils attending have received a letter about this - all other pupils are on a waiting list)

Kew Gardens (Year 2 pupils)

Please can we ask that all payments are made by the deadlines. If you need any help with this or have a question, please speak to a member of the office team.

BREAKFAST CLUB

A reminder, the daily charge for Breakfast Club attendance to £1/day for families who are entitled to benefit-related free school meals and £2/day for all other families. This daily charge will need to be paid via Parent Pay. Please see the school office if you want help with this.

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HERO SQUAD
THIS HALF TERM!**



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ST MARTINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 12TH - FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 24

9AM - 3PM £18 PER DAY

FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1 - 7



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Thank you to all our parents for supporting the school by ensuring their child is in class and ready to learn at 8.50am each day as children can find it unsettling when they are late. If you have problems with attendance, please speak to Mrs Papadakis or Mrs Winter. 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 term is 93.2% and for the week beginning 22nd January was 91.4%. Our school target is 96%.

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Each week the children have the opportunity to earn Positive Behaviour Points for showing kind hands, kind words and kind actions. This week's class of the week was 2EM with 479 positive behaviour points.

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	MERIT
NURSERY	88.2	N/A
RJB	86.1	Jaiden
REF	82.1	Evaan
1SF	88.6	Neviah Lee
1LZ	91.1	Pratyush
2LD	96.0	Siya
2EM	86.7	Killian
3MG	95.2	Alvin
3BF	89.6	David
4RM	92.0	Toby
4IT	97.5	Ella
5JM	98.1	Elliott
5SN	94.8	Ansh
6MN	91.1	Arfa
6ES	94.2	Rylee

GET TO KNOW US

Name: Mrs Tuff, Receptionist

What do you like most about St Matthew's? St Matthew's has such a friendly atmosphere.

The one thing you do not know about me. We have a family cat called 'Sprout' who is named after Professor Sprout from the Harry Potter books.

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

Assessing Smartphone Readiness

Is my child old enough to have a phone?" It's a common, understandable question from many parents, but it's also one that is very difficult to answer as there are so many factors involved. For younger children it's often peer pressure and with older children, social isolation is very common. Often, advice has to be given particular to that child/family, rather than a one-size-fits-all solution.

The Institute for Digital Media and Child Development have put together some tip sheets for parents which we think are really useful. There are 3 parts:

- Assessing readiness.
- Preparing for healthy use
- What now?

You can view all the tip sheets: <https://www.childrenandscreens.org/learn-explore/research/introducing-a-smartphone-assessing-readiness/>

SCHOOL VISION

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

Yesterday, a party of pupils travelled to St Paul's Cathedral to be part of the LDBS (London Diocesan Board for School) 'Celebration of Schools' Annual Service.

Revd Urmila, Miss Clegg and staff had to arrive early with the choir as they had an important part to play in the service. Revd Richard travelled later in the day with our RE Explorers who thoroughly enjoyed watching the proceedings. All the children were amazed at the splendour of the Cathedral and enjoyed hearing the voices in such a splendid setting.



A huge thank you to all our families who helped us to raise over £250 in support of the NSPCC Number Day yesterday.

OUR SCHOOL RULES

Kind Words, Kind Hands, Kind Actions

ST MATTHEW'S SCHOOL VALUES

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

 St. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Join us for a *Pancake Party*
at St Matthew's Church Centre

Free to attend



Shrove Tuesday
13th February : 6.30- 8:00pm

Pancake races | Pancake tossing
Burning of last year's palm crosses | Ideas for Lent

We love hanging out over a cuppa and a

Community

Free



Every Thursday morning

Open 8.30–10.30am

In school term-time

Fresh Coffee | Tea | Homemade cakes

St Matthew's Church Centre

High Street, Yiewsley, UB7 7QH

For more information contact:

Jack Clements, Centre Manager & Community Worker

St Matthew's Church Office on 01895 444 042



St. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

loving God, loving our community

Speak
LIKE A NATIVE

AFTER-SCHOOL LANGUAGE CLUBS

FRENCH
MONDAYS
Y1-4

SPANISH
THURSDAYS
Y1-6

Get 2 FREE Activity Packs and
a session-by-session break-down
with your booking

Learn through play & games
and language immersion



*Club subject to minimum booking numbers



UXBRIDGE



FEBRUARY HALF TERM CAMP

AT: SWAKELEYS SCHOOL
Clifton Gardens, Hillingdon, UB10 0EJ

HELD ON MONDAY 12th TO FRIDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2024,
9AM – 3PM
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4 – 13

WE HAVE BEEN RUNNING OUR FOOTBALL CAMPS AND COURSES IN YOUR COMMUNITY FOR OVER 24 YEARS!

Exciting news! We are running our annual February Half Term Camp on Monday 12th to Friday 16th February 2024.

- The Camp is for 5 days from 9am-3pm. Lunch is 12.15pm-1pm, children must bring their own packed lunch and plenty of drinks.
- The camp is held on Grass football pitches and Sports Hall (If bad weather) therefore children may wear trainers or moulded sole plastic studs if playing outside.
- On Friday at 2.15pm we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY** as well as many opportunities to win extra trophies, including the FA Cup Tournament, penalty shoot out competition, skill point winners.
- The camp is run by FA qualified coaches, who are DBS checked and are currently working with children in schools daily, enabling them to learn essential football techniques, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient of all 'FUN'!
- The cost of the 5 day camp is £100 per child (£60 for additional brothers and sisters), £25 daily rate.

There will be consent forms to complete on arrival and payment should be made on the first morning of the camp or in advance via payment link.

www.prosoccercoaching.org

TO RESERVE FEBRUARY CAMP PLACES

PLEASE TEXT:

UXBRIDGE CAMP+ CHILD'S FULL NAME + AGE
and receive confirmation by text to:-

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