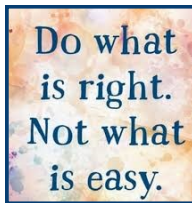


Friday News

No. 20 - 9th February 2024



St Matthew's CE Primary School

Forward through Friendship and Faith

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SHARE OUR PRAYERS
Continuing with this term's theme of Jesus's miracles, we learned the story of the raising of Lazarus where Jesus showed great compassion. The miracle also showed Jesus' disciples that He was the Saviour.

*Dear God,
Thank you for having compassion for us when we are hurting.
Thank you that you see everything that is going on in our lives and that You care about us so much.
In Jesus' name,
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. A fever is usually a high temperature of 37.8°C or above.
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:
Proms Praise—there is a long waiting list so payment to be made by 20th February
Kew Gardens (Year 2 pupils)
If you need any help with Parent Pay or have a question about a forthcoming event, please speak to a member of the office team.

FEBRUARY	
Monday 12th - Friday 16th	Half Term week
Monday 19th	Training Day - School closed Year 6 pupils going to PGL to arrive in school 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
Thursday 7th	World Book Day - children can come into school dressed as a book character
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

BREAKFAST CLUB
Thank you to our regular parents who are keeping their children's Breakfast Club accounts in credit on Parent Pay. Any child from Reception - Year 6 can attend each day (doors open at 7.45am, and children can be admitted until 8.20am). The school charges £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 before your child arrives at Breakfast Club.
If you would like your child to eat, please order food before 7am each day via your child's Pantry account. Any questions you may have about Breakfast Club food or school lunches, please contact The Pantry via email: office@thepantrycatering.co.uk or call 0208 813 7040.

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Attendance Matters

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 94.1% and for the week beginning 29th January was 92.6%. 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 5JM with 571 positive behaviour points.

CLASS	ATTENDANCE %	MERIT
NURSERY	79.2	N/A
RJB	98.9	Humaira
REF	90.3	Krishav
1SF	95.0	Jet
1LZ	86.4	Tashreef
2LD	97.7	Suhanya
2EM	84.0	Mahlet
3MG	92.1	Ciara
3BF	90.7	Kodi
4RM	97.6	N/A
4IT	94.0	Amber
5JM	97.0	Poppy
5SN	94.4	Oscar
6MN	96.3	Ibrahim
6ES	92.8	Marika

OUR SCHOOL RULES

Kind Words, Kind Hands, Kind Actions

ST MATTHEW'S SCHOOL VALUES

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

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

Online safety

Many of us see our online lives and offline lives as different. But for children growing up with technology and the internet, there is not a difference - online life and offline life is just life.

Technology can move at an extraordinary fast pace so it can be difficult to know how to start talking to your child about what they are doing online, who they might be speaking to or discussing potential risks and issues. Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

But it's easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks.

There is more information on this: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

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

Well done to the following pupils who represented St Matthew's School in the Frays Trust Dodgeball tournament this week at St Martin's School: Poppy, Erin, Emily, Joe, Leandro, Boris, Shreyana, Freddie B, Niko & Ansh. Although our team didn't win, Mr McCarthy was full of praise for their sportsmanship, determination and good humour. There are a number of other sporting competitions after half term where we are sure to be fielding strong teams!



GET TO KNOW US

Name: Mrs H Evans, HLTA (Higher level Teaching Assistant)

What do you like most about St Matthew's? I love listening to the children read. I'm lucky to be able to listen to lots of children throughout the school and share their enthusiasm for reading.

The one thing you do not know about me. I collect Tinkerbell figurines.

My favourite book when I was a child was The Famous Five Adventures by Enid Blyton. I still have my boxset in the loft!



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

THE FIRST WOLAS PUBLIC OBSERVING EVENT OF 2024

VIEW THE NIGHT SKY FROM RUISLIP LIDO

Once again the West of London Astronomical Society
invites you to observe the Moon and stars.

Friday 16th Feb - Sunday 18th Feb 2024.
Time 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

If the sky is clear, a quarter Moon will be visible
along with Jupiter and Uranus. Other objects include
the Andromeda Galaxy and the Orion Nebula.

Bring family and friends to this FREE event - members
of WOLAS will be on hand with a variety of their
telescopes and will be able to answer any questions
you may have.

Telescopes will have coloured lamps indicating
the target - change colour to change target!

Don't forget to wear warm clothing, and bring a
torch. To avoid dazzling observers, please limit
the brightness of your torch to your phone's light
or equivalent and point it down when on site.

The Turntable Tea Room will be open and toilets
are available next to it.

Please visit our website for more information.

A GO/NO GO call will be posted no later than 3pm each day.

Ruislip Lido is off Bury Street. Entry is via the gate adjacent
to the car park at the end of Reservoir Road HA

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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
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