Friday News

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St Matthew's CE Primary School

'Forward through Friendship and Faith'

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Thought of The Week

The children have been thinking about how Mary prepared for the birth of Jesus.

Mary had been told by the Angel Gabriel that she was going to have a baby. He said to her :

'*You must call him Jesus. He will be great and he will be called the Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king like David of long ago. He will rule over his people. His kingdom will never end.*'

How do you think Mary must have felt when she got this news?

For Christians, Advent is one of the most important times of the year

It's also a time when we help others less fortunate than we are. Who will we be helping this year?

Diary Dates

Mon 17th - Christmas crib service for Nursery parents at 9am & 2.30pm; Carols in the High Street (see times inside); Year 4 Christmas party p.m.; Secret Santa Lucky Dip

Tues 18th - Nasal flu vaccine for Reception - Year 5; Year 1 & 2 Christmas performance at 10am in St Matthew's Church; Year 1 & Year 5 Christmas parties p.m.

Weds 19th - School Christmas lunch for pupils; Year 2 & Year 6 Christmas parties p.m.

Thurs 20th - KS2 Christmas performance at 11am in St Matthew's Church; visit to school by Bishop Pete Broadbent; Nursery & Reception Christmas party at 1.30pm; Year 3 Christmas party p.m.; Secret Santa Lucky Dip

Fri 21st - School finishes at 2pm

SPRING TERM BEGINS ON MONDAY 7th JANUARY 2019

Tues 8th - Yr 6 BAA Stixx workshop in school
Thurs 10th - Reception Hearing & Vison checks
Tues 15th - Year 5 First aid training in school
Fri 18th - One World Day theme menu
Mon 21st - After-school clubs start
Tues 22nd - Year 4 to St Paul's
Mon 28th - Year 6 Bikeability course starts

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY AWARDS
3rd - 7th December 2018

Class	% Attend	Class	% Attend
RTK	98.3	3RD	96.7
RLB	95.3	4DH	93.9
1KT	93.8	4SB	100
1KS	94.1	5MN	98.6
2RF	100	5MC	97.6
2NT	95.4	6ES	98.6
3AB	100	6JP	96.2

ATTENDANCE

2RF, 3AB, and **4SB** shared the attendance last week with an amazing **100%** while **5MN** and **6ES** came a close second with **98.6%**. Attendance at school is really important so that every child can reach their full potential. Please note we do not authorise holiday during term time.

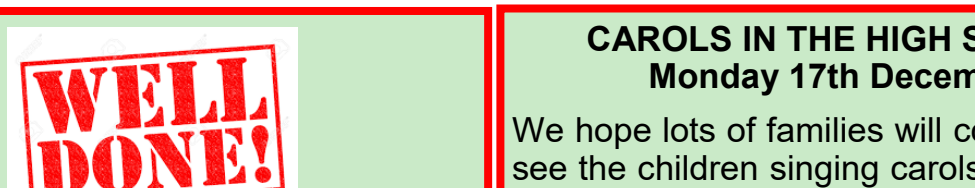
PUNCTUALITY

It was a shame that this week we were unable to give out the Punctuality Award as none of our classes had every child arriving on time. With only one week to go before the end of term, let's aim to have more children arriving on time next week. Arriving late can make your child feel sad, embarrassed and they miss valuable learning time.

ST MATTHEW'S SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please don't forget that the Post-Ofsted Action Plan is on our website:
http://www.st-matthews.hillingdon.sch.uk/uploads/document/2_286_action-plan-parents.pdf

Also, you can find our new Spring Term menu;
http://www.st-matthews.hillingdon.sch.uk/136/school-dinners



The following children have gained awards from their teachers for working extra hard this week:

RTK	**Vimbiso**	**RLB**	**Anaya**
1KS	**Eliza**	**1KT**	**Maja**
2NT	**Alisa**	**2RF**	**Milana**
3AB	**Ignacy**	**3RD**	**Sacha**
4SB	**Ayush**	**4DH**	**Noel**
5MN	**Ashritha**	**5MC**	**Valerija**
6ES	**Emily**	**6JP**	**Daniel**

CAROLS IN THE HIGH STREET
Monday 17th December

We hope lots of families will come along to see the children singing carols on the High Street at the following times;

10:10-10:20 – Nursery and Reception
10:30-10:50 – Years 5 & 6
11:00-11:20 – Years 1 & 2
11:30-11:50 – Years 3 & 4

SCHOOL LUNCHES

The menu for the week commencing Monday 17th December is Week 3 of the Autumn Term menu.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Wednesday 19th December

If your child has not booked a Christmas lunch, please ensure that they have a packed lunch with them on the day.

GENERAL SCHOOL NOTICES

ST MATTHEW'S SCHOOL VALUES
Perseverance, Responsibility,
Kindness, Respect,
Patience, Courage,
Unity

SECRET SANTA
A huge thank you to Parents Utd for running the Secret Santa stalls last week. Believe it or not, **over £1400** was raised! A big thank you also goes to the families who allowed children to bring money in to spend. There will be a lucky dip stall after school on Monday and Thursday. All gifts will be £1.

YEAR 6 PGL RESIDENTIAL TRIP
25th Feb - 1st March 2019

A polite reminder to parents that the remaining balance is due today, Friday 14th December. We would be grateful if this can be paid as soon as possible at the school office, as the school now needs to pay the final balance to PGL.

POLITE NOTICE
For safety reasons, please could we remind parents that dogs, scooters and bikes are not allowed on the school playgrounds.

LOST PROPERTY
The lost property cupboard at the school office is now overflowing! Please come along and check for any missing uniform, PE kits & lunchboxes. Any property left at the end of term will have to be disposed of.

SAVE THE DATES
Parent Council meeting on Thursday 7th February at 3.30pm. All parents & carers are welcome. School pupils will be supervised in school by staff.

CARRIER BAGS
Mrs Winter, Welfare Officer, would be very grateful for donations of carrier bags for use in the medical room.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES
Monday 17th - Year 4
Tuesday 18th - Years 1 & 5
Wednesday 19th - Years 2 & 6
Thursday 20th - Year 3

Please note that children will need to wear school uniform on their party day and bring party clothes into school in a named carrier bag. We will not be asking parents for donations of food as the school will provide drinks and light nibbles.

Thursday 20th at 1.30pm —Nursery & Reception party
The arrangements for this party have been sent to parents in a separate letter

'Every child has the right to an outstanding education'

Carol Service
by Candlelight

Sunday 16th December 6.30pm

Join us for mulled wine &
mince pies afterwards

St. MATTHEW'S CHURCH
loving God, loving our community

COMMUNITY NEWS

COURSES FOR ALL!

Mrs Smith, our Family Support Worker, has asked us to advertise the following courses;

ESOL (learn to speak & understand English)

Enrolment takes place at 1pm on Monday 7th January 2019 at Laurel Lane Primary School.
Please bring with you Photo ID and a utility bill showing proof of address.
Course start date is Monday 14th January 2019 at 1pm. Sorry no crèche available.

FAMILY CARING TRUST (Parenting course)

Are you tired of your toddlers tantrums? Struggling to get your child to bed or to stay there? Frustrated with your child's fussy eating? Then you are not alone!

Parenting is not easy! Why not come along to our free course starting in January and get some great tips and ideas to help you along in your parenting journey.

A free 6 week programme for parents with at least one child aged 0 - 5 years, the course provides an opportunity to explore strategies to support around behaviour, routines and boundaries.

When: Wednesdays from 1pm - 3pm for 6 weeks, starting on 9th January 2019.
Where: Yiewsley Children's Centre, 74 Colham Avenue, UB7 8HF
Tel: 01895 558194
email: Yiewsleycc@hillingdon.gov.uk

Crèche can be provided for children aged 6 months - 5 years

More information about the local Children's Centres can be found on the last page of this Newsletter.

CODING CLUB

Do your children love video games? Do they spend hours on the computer? Do they know how to create their own games? Well if so, they can now join a coding club, launching on 12th January 2019 at Yiewsley Library, to learn the basics of the computer coding programme 'Scratch'.

Open to children aged 9-13, there will be sessions in 6 week blocks on Saturday mornings from 10-11am. The club is free but booking is essential.

Contact Yiewsley Library on 01895 558286 or email yiewsley-library@hillingdon.gov.uk for more information or to book a place.

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ADULT EDUCATION & PARENTING COURSES
Within the Yiewsley & West Drayton
Children's Centres

(for families with children under 5 yrs, crèche available)

COURSE	LOCATION	DATES	DAY & TIME
ESOL: READING	Cherry Lane Children's Centre	15/01/19-19/03/19	Tuesday's 13:00 - 15:00 pm
FIRST AID (2hr workshops available every month)	All 3 centres (Please call to register your interest)	TBC	Various
FIRST STEPS - IT	Colham Manor Children's Centre	17/01/19-21/03/19	Thursday's 9:30 - 11:30 am
NUTRITION AND BALANCE	Yiewsley Children's Centre	15/01/19-21/03/19	Tuesday's 9:30 - 11:30 am
PARENTING (A course for parents with children aged 0 - 6 years)	Yiewsley Children's Centre	09/01/19-13/02/19	Wednesday's 13:00 - 15:00 pm
TRANSITION (supporting children aged 8 mths - 2yrs to transition from their parents)	Cherry Lane Children's Centre	03/01/19-24/01/19	Thursday's 13:00 - 14:00 pm

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