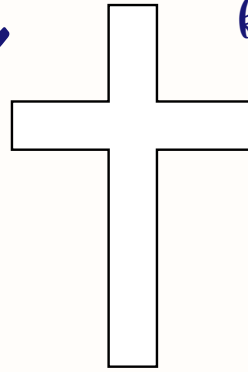


Friday News

Forward through
friendship & faith



Kind words



Kind hands



Kind actions

Upcoming Events



November

- Mon 17th** - Library Workshop 2MG & Y3
- Thurs 20th** - Coffee morning Year 1 'Read with Me' at 09:00
- Mon 24th** - Library Workshop Y6 & 5FA
- Fri 28th** - 5ST Class Worship at 09:00

December

- Mon 1st** - Children Visit to Hospital for DLF
 - Fellowship Café
 - Library Workshop (Y4 and 5ST)
- Wed 3rd** - Think Big Mobile Workshop Y6
- Thurs 4th** - Secret Santa Pop-up Shop
 - Read with Me Y2 Coffee Morning at 09:00
- Fri 5th** - Secret Santa Pop-up Shop
- Mon 8 - Thurs 11th** - iSingPop Week
- Tues 9th** - Y4 Pedestrian Training
- Wed 10th** - Hearing & Vision test Reception

Term Dates

End of Autumn term
Fri 19 December 2025

Training day
Mon 5 January 2026

Spring term starts
Tues 6 January 2026

Spring half term
Mon 16 to Fri 20 February 2026

Training day
Mon 23 February 2026

End of Spring term
Fri 27 March 2026

Summer term starts
Mon 13 April 2026

Summer Half term
Mon 25 May to Fri 29 May 2026

End of term
Tues 21 July 2026

Lunch Menu Week 3.

Monday

Turkey Chilli Burrito (GL)
Mac 'n' Cheese (GL,MI)
Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI)
Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,MI,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI)
Ice Cream (MI) or Fresh Fruit

Tuesday

Pastry Topped Chicken Pie (GL)
Handmade Margherita Pizza with Slaw (GL,MI)
Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI)
Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,MI,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI)
Cheesecake (GL,MI) or Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

Roast Turkey with Potatoes & Gravy (SU)
Cauliflower Cheese Bake with Potatoes (GL,MI,SU)
Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI)
Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,MI,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI)
Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit

Thursday

Turkey Cottage Pie with Mash (GL)
Cheese Panini (GL,SO,SE,MU,MI)
Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI)
Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,MI,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI)
Iced Confetti Cake (GL) or Fresh Fruit

Friday

Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,FI)
Veggie Fajita with Oven Baked Chips (GL)
Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI)
Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,MI,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI)
Fruity Shortbread (GL) or Fresh Fruit

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THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

We have been thinking about

REMEMBRANCE DAY.

We've taken time this week to think about the different memories we have, whether they are happy or sad. Sometimes we forget, but something can trigger a memory which helps us to remember, like buying a souvenir on holiday, smells or songs.

The poppy is a symbol that helps us to remember the brave men and women who fought for our country and reminds us to be thankful.



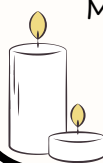
Wearing a red poppy means,
“We are remembering
together”.



Share our prayers



Dear God,
Thank you for the many happy
memories we have.
We are sorry that some people have
sad memories at this time of year
as they remember those who have
died for our country.
May we wear our red poppies with
love and compassion,
and may we remember and be
thankful.
Amen.



LATEST NEWS



Class of the Week!

Well done to **3JO** for winning Class of the Week in Key Stage 1 with **1044** positive behaviour points, and **4TF** for winning Class of the Week in Key Stage 2 with **1276** positive behaviour points!

Keep up the good work!

This week's attendance for Early years

Nursery	RCB	RSH
81.3%	92.4%	90.6%



Whole School Attendance

Whole school attendance from the start of the academic year is **94.4%**.

For the week beginning **Monday 10th November 2025**, whole school attendance was **94.5%**.

Our school target is **96%**.



This week's attendance for Lower School

1LD	1KH	2JB	2MG	3AH	3JO
95.2%	90%	97.4%	96.6%	100%	92.8%



Merit Certificate Awards



RSH	Ahaan	3JO	Glory
RCB	Natasha	4EM	Miriam
1KH	Mariana	4TF	Momina
1LD	Anaaya	5FA	Henry
2JB	Jasani	5ST	Kaiwan
2MG	Jeylanie	6ES	Makia
3AH	Filip	6JM	Alex

This week's attendance for Upper School

4EM	4TF	5FA	5ST	6ES	6JM
100%	92.1%	89%	95.7%	94%	100%

SCHOOL NEWS

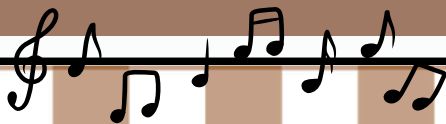


ST MATTHEWS CHOIR

Mrs Thackeray, Miss Brewer and Miss Evans would like to thank all the children who came along to audition last week - we were not expecting so many children to turn up (nearly 60!), and would like to say that we were blown away by everyone's confidence, preparedness and enthusiasm!

Unfortunately, out of all those children... only 16 could be selected, which made the process even more difficult, but we hope you join us in congratulating them, and wishing them the best of luck for their upcoming performances!

Y3 - Glory, Neviah, Grace,
Elon
Y4 - Ben, Lily, Abena,
Momina
Y5 - Kymari & Alice
Y6 - Khalil, Teddy, Megan,
Serene, Ellie, Vivienne



WE ASKED... YOU ANSWERED!

CHANGES TO PE IN SCHOOL!



Thank you to all those who took part in our survey when we asked how to manage changing for PE going forward in school. We asked staff, children and parents and carers for their views, and the results are in!

As of next week, Monday 17th November, children should come into school in their PE kits on the days they have PE!

Children should no longer be wearing red shorts and t-shirts, but should be in their full Winter PE Kit!

If you have any questions, or are unsure about anything, please speak to your child's class teacher, or send us an email at stmatthews@fraysacademytrust.org.



Year 1 - Monday & Wednesday
Year 3 - Monday & Tuesday
Year 5 - Tuesday & Thursday

Year 2 - Monday & Thursday
Year 4 - Tuesday & Thursday
Year 6 - Monday & Friday



SCHOOL NEWS



Meet the Staff!



This weeks interviewee.... our headteacher Mrs Maher!

- 1. If you could live in one country for free, where would it be & why?** I would live in Hawaii because its sunny, beautiful & calm.
- 2. If you could have any super power, what would it be & why?** I would be invisible because I like to be nosey!
- 3. If you could eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be & why?** Probably rice - it fills you up, and it goes with everything!
- 4. If you were stranded on an island, what would you take with you?** A pillow so I could sleep!
- 5. If you could meet one celebrity, who would it be?**

Prince William because I think the Royal Family is interesting and would like to know more about their life.



Interviewed by Derek 2MG, Student Council



Hillingdon Interfaith



Roadshow



The Hillingdon Interfaith Roadshow came to visit the children this week in school so they could learn about different faith's and traditions in an interactive and respectful way!

The Roadshow was led by dedicated volunteers from various faith backgrounds to talk about Christianity, Buddhism, Sikhism and Islam, and even provide a hands-on exhibition of objects used in different religious practices!



WHAT'S THE SCORE?!



On Saturday 8th November, St Matthew's attended the Packham Football Tournament, which takes place every year.

We won every game within our group, conceding no goals!

In both the quarter finals and semi finals we won 1-0, and in the final, we managed to win in extra time, for only the third time in the history of St Matthew's!

It was a wonderful team effort, which was shown throughout the tournament with various goal scorers, excellent defence and brilliant team work!





Yiewsley & West Drayton Foodbank
Together with Trussell



Thank you!

StMatthew'sCEPrimary School

Thankyou forsupportingYiewsley&WestDraytonFoodbank. Your Harvest Festival donations during October 2025 came to 249.35kg which will makea BIGdifferencetolocalpeopleincrisis.

Julia Bennett
Admin Assistant - Volunteer

Registered charity number 1173141. Registered in England and Wales.



Bringing up confident children

Free workshop for parents and carers

Children need to feel good about themselves and have the confidence to try new skills even though they might not work out. This workshop supports parents with strategies on how best to provide their children with opportunities for independence and decision making, whilst validating their child and improving their own self esteem at the same time.

Date, time and venue

Venue
Whiteheath Junior School, Whiteheath Avenue, Ruislip, HA4 7PR

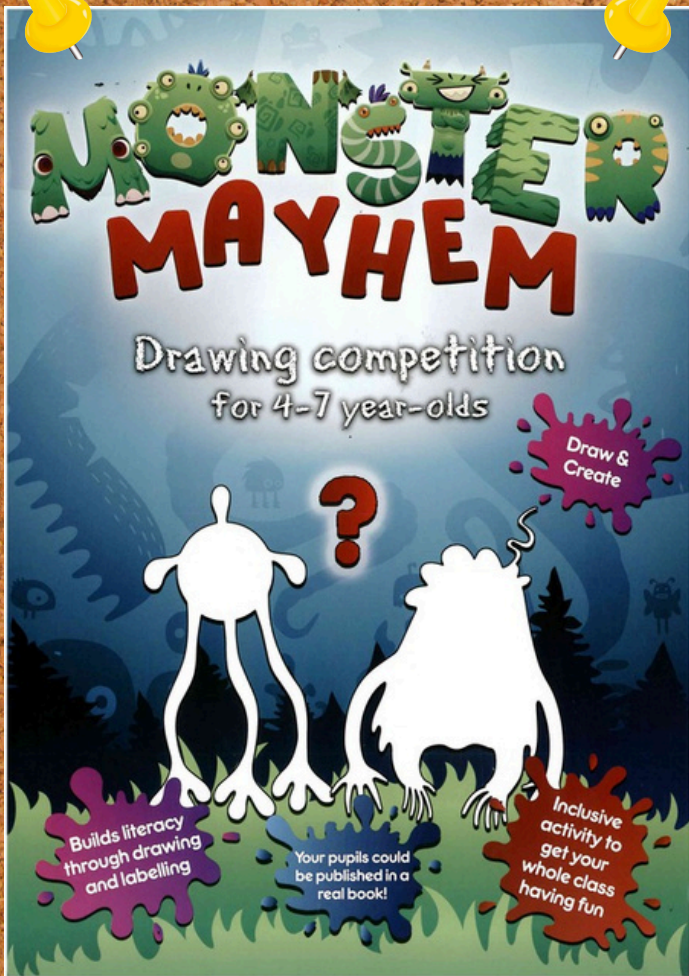
Date
Tuesday 25th November 2025

Time
1 pm – 3 pm



To book your place, call **Annmarie** on **07949 890749** or email **AnnmarieF@familylives.org.uk**

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MONSTER MAYHEM

Drawing competition for 4-7 year-olds

Draw & Create

Your pupils could be published in a real book!

Builds literacy through drawing and labelling

Inclusive activity to get your whole class having fun



Navigating the storm

Free workshop for parents and carers

For many parents, managing their teenager's behaviour can prove a particularly challenging time when raising children. This workshop aims to give parents effective strategies to identify and respond appropriately, so that they are better equipped to help their teen navigate and regulate their emotions during times of extreme distress or otherwise.

Date, time and venue

Venue
Swakeleys School for Girls, Clifton Gardens, Hillingdon, UB10 0EJ

Date
Tuesday 18th November 2025

Time
1 pm – 3 pm



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