

Friday News

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'Forward through Friendship and Faith'

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

This week we have been thinking about the parable of the mustard seed, and how something small and seemingly insignificant can become something great.

We thought about how our school values can help us to do small things that make a difference each day. The children have reflected on how the small things that they do to help others can make a big difference.



'Every child has the right to an outstanding education'

Diary Dates

February

Mon 17th-Fri 21st HALF TERM

Tues 25th - Google/Parentzone Safer Internet assembly for KS2; Shrove Tuesday menu

Weds 26th - 9am Parents Utd meeting

Thurs 27th - 3RD non uniform day

Friday 28th - 4AS non uniform day

March

Mon 2nd - NSPCC assembly

Weds 4th - WE Day UK at SSE Arena

Thurs 5th - World Book Day /Dress as a Book Character Day; Year 5 Library visits

Weds 11th - Year 5 Tag rugby competition at Laurel Lane

Please note that the diary dates are for information only. You may not yet have received a letter about the event.

OUR SCHOOL RULES

We are mindful of our actions,

We are responsible for our own

Learning,

We always include everyone

READY TO READ

What Are Best Stories to Read?

The best stories for children tend to have the following themes:

- ☆ They're funny or downright silly.
- ☆ They feature fears, problems or subjects children can relate to, such as being scared of monsters under the bed, learning to share, being brave, being naughty, starting school, or even disliking vegetables.
- ☆ They star favourite characters, like pirates, dinosaurs and animals.
- ☆ They allow kids to explore imaginary places or other worlds, such as outer space or under the sea.
- ☆ They're tried and trusted classics, like fairy tales.

That's not a comprehensive list, by any means, but it's a good starting point if you're stuck and looking for good stories.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Whole school attendance for the period 3rd - 7th February was 98.2%. This is a fantastic achievement—well done everyone!

The punctuality award was won by RTD, 1KT and 5JM with every child arriving at school on time. Well done to those classes.

The school day starts at 8.45am and arriving late can make your child feel sad and embarrassed, especially as they miss valuable learning time.

Please note we do not authorise holiday during term time.

RPB	RTD
98%	98.6%
1EM	1KT
97.7%	98.6%
2RF	2SK
98.6%	98.9%
3RD	3AB
97.2%	97.9%
4DH	4AS
99.6%	99.3%
5MC	5JM
97.9%	96.6%
6ES	6MN
96.2%	98.5%



Well done to all the classes who celebrated their first non-uniform day for 'Perfect Attendance.' during this half term. The success of our non-uniform days is reflected in an improvement in overall attendance.

The following pupils have been awarded certificates by their class teachers for working hard this week.

RPB	RTD
Yusuf	Aryan
1EM	1KT
Oscar	Erin
2RF	2SK
Connor	Ubaid
3RD	3AB
Niraj	Lee-Roy
4DH	4AS
Vivienne	Srihan
5MC	5JM
Megan	Bradley
6ES	6MN
Joel	Amin

**CLASS WORSHIPS FOR PARENTS & CARERS
KEY STAGE 1**

2RF	Friday 28th February at 2.45pm
2SK	Friday 20th March at 2.45pm
1KT	Friday 3rd April at 9.00am

KEY STAGE 2

3RD	Friday 28th February at 9.00am
4AS	Friday 6th March at 9.00am
PGL Rivals	Friday 13th March at 9.00am
4DH	Friday 20th March at 9.00am
PGL	Friday 27th March at 9.00am

NURSERY SEPT 2020

**For Children born between
1/9/16 - 31/8/17**

If you have a child due to start Nursery in September and haven't yet applied, Mrs Harris, Admissions Officer for the Trust, can accept paper application forms **before noon on Monday 24th February.**

The application form should be returned along with proof of the home address and the child's birth certificate.

DONATIONS

Reception classes would be grateful for old rolls of wallpaper, dressing up costumes or role-play props in good condition, wellies, play figures, old pots/pans and cooking utensils, empty cereal boxes and outgrown school uniform, socks, underwear and tights.

WEEK BEGINNING 24TH FEBRUARY LEARNING

	Literacy	Numeracy	Curriculum
Nursery	Instructions	Counting, addition and subtraction	Shrove Tuesday
Reception	Jack and the Beanstalk	Numbers 0-20	Growth
Year 1	Descriptive Writing	Number and Place Value	Art/Weaving
Year 2	Adelita	Fractions	2RF Music (Rock) 2SK ICT (Power Point)
Year 3	Poetry	Time	ICT (Internet/ Research)
Year 4	Narratives	Addition and Subtraction	4DH D.T. (Light Boxes) 4AS Music (Rap)
Year 5	Opening to a Narrative	Currency	Science (Habitats)
Year 6	Reading comprehension and grammar	Revision including reasoning	Science—Planning investigations

OUR 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

PGL

With the strength God has given them, and a solid foundation of knowledge and skill, the children of St Matthew’s will take life’s difficulties in their stride, showing resilience, confidence and a strong sense of self. #

The children have had a fabulous week of building, climbing, problem solving and overcoming their fears. They have developed resilience and independence, and make memories that will last forever. Be sure to ask your child what they have enjoyed and review their homework booklet with them.

PGL Rivals

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PGL Rivals have had a brilliant week and have enjoyed the Natural History Museum, Jump In, bowling and cooking! They have made new friends and developed their teamwork as well as lots of other new skills. Be sure to ask your child what they have enjoyed the most.

Safer Internet Day

Our curriculum helps our children to develop into resourceful, resilient problem-solvers who are independent and inquisitive.

This week, the children developed their understanding of how to stay safe online, and how to be kind online. It is very important to monitor children’s internet use at home and ensure that you talk to your children regularly about how to protect themselves online.

St Matthew's Parents United

1, 2, 3, 4, WE DECLARE A
P E N N Y W A R

From 24th Feb until 30th March

Each class has its own bottle
for collecting coins.

GAIN POINTS by adding 1p and 2p coins
to your class bottle.

Copper coins
ADD to the
class total

Silver coins
SUBTRACT
from the class
total

Work together to win your class a prize!
Prize to be chosen by the winning class.

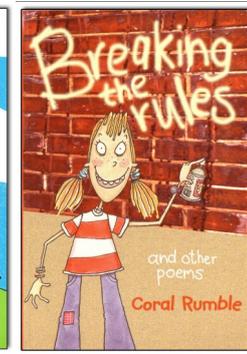
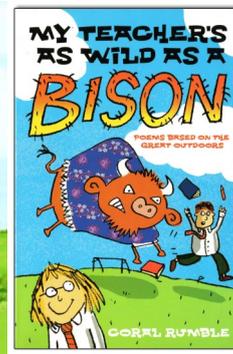
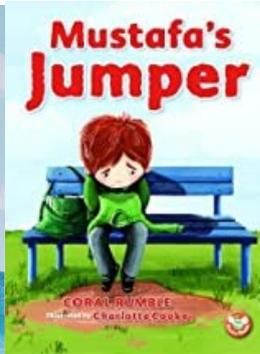
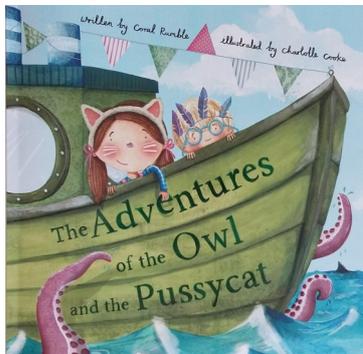
**Wishing all of our
families a very happy
and restful half term!**

**Can we ask that all children return after half
term in full uniform. Please remember that long
hair must be tied up (not half up/half down).**



Author
CORAL RUMBLE
will be
visiting our
school on
Thursday 5th
March

BUY COPIES OF HER BOOKS AND HAVE THEM SIGNED
PERSONALLY TO YOU
DETAILS WILL BE IN A LETTER HOME SOON



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Coronavirus

The government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad.

The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China.

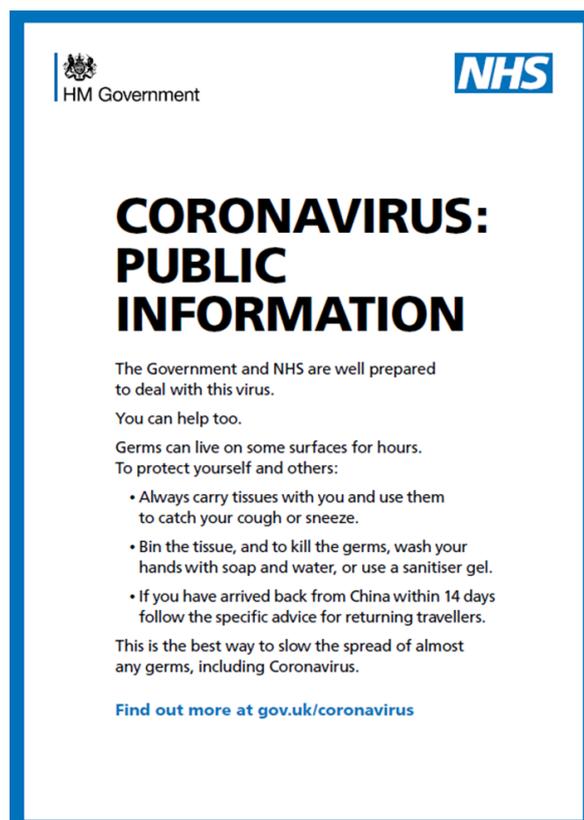
Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to the area. Please visit www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china

Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus.

There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice.



The poster is framed in blue and contains the following text:

HM Government **NHS**

CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours.
To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

[Find out more at gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)



SUNDAY 16TH
FEBRUARY
4 - 6PM
ST MATTHEW'S
CHURCH
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Who is Messy Church for?

It's for all ages! Messy Church is an opportunity to enjoy the life, loving care and purpose of the family of God.

So join us for **FUN, FOOD, FRIENDSHIP & FAITH.**

Children must be accompanied by an adult
WELCOME to our community here at St Matthew's!

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