

St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

My Identity

My World

My Voice

My Future



Know who they are



Ask questions about the world around them



Use their voices to make a difference



Aspire to greatness

Friday 19th June



Sports Day!

Our Sports Day was a fantastic success, filled with energy, enthusiasm, and teamwork. Students gave their best in a range of events, showing great determination and sportsmanship throughout the day. It was wonderful to see everyone supporting one another as they worked around the different activities. The first St Matthias Big Run was an exciting new addition and a great way to round up the morning! Thank you to all the students, staff, and families who helped make the day so enjoyable and memorable. It was brilliant to see so many parents and carers come and enjoy the day with us!



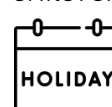
St Matthias Summer Fayre
Thursday 2nd July
4-5:15pm



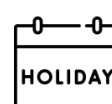
Friday 17th July
Final Day of the school year



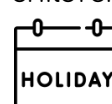
Monday 21st July
INSET day - not school for children



Monday 21st July-Wednesday 2nd September
Summer Holiday



Wednesday 2nd September
INSET day - not school for children



Thursday 3rd September
Start of new school year





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COMMUNITY EVENTS SUMMER

Weekly: Monday 3:00 Jump into a Book

Friday 8:30 Family Friday Reading



Week 1

Wednesday 3rd June 9:00: Live Science Demonstration!

Thursday 4th June: WAMHS Coffee Morning: Neurodiversity

Week 2

Monday 8th June 8:45: Morning chat with Lucy (Headteacher)

Thursday 4th June: WAMHS Coffee Morning: Neurodiversity

Week 3

Monday 15th June 8:45: Pastoral and SENDCO drop in

Thursday 18th June: Sports Day!

Thursday 18th June 8:45 WAMHS Coffee morning : Emotional Regulation

Week 4

Monday 22nd June 8:45: Parent Summer Fayre prep

Week 5

Monday 29th June 8:45: Linden Family Hub

Thursday 2nd July 3:45: STM Summer Fayre

Week 6

Tuesday 7th July 8:45: Neurodiversity Transition Coffee Morning

Attendance

The winning class this week with



98%

is....

Year 4

Uniform

School uniform

Grey or black skirt	Grey pinafore or blue gingham summer dress	Grey or black trousers (not joggers)	White shirt (short or long sleeved)	Blue jumper with logo badge	Blue cardigan with logo badge	Navy and gold striped tie	Black shoes (can be 100% black trainers)

PE kit

Jogging pants or shorts Navy or Black	Plain white T-Shirt	Or White logo polo	Blue jumper with logo badge	Or fleece top with logo badge	100% black trainers	Black pimsols

As we approach Summer Term 2, I would like to emphasise that cycling shorts are not to be worn as uniform. Girls need to wear skirts or dresses.

On PE days, (knee length) shorts are permitted. It is really important children remain presentable and respectable in the hot weather.



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THE SUMMER MULTISPORTS CAMP

**MON 27TH JULY – FRI 21ST AUGUST 2026 | 9AM – 4:30PM**

A SUMMER OF SPORTS, CREATIVE ACTIVITIES AND FRIENDS FOR AGES 5-11.



GAINSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL
BERKSHIRE ROAD
HACKNEY, E9 5ND

ENTRANCE GATE AT THE REAR OF THE SCHOOL, UNDER GAINSBOROUGH CANAL BRIDGE

10% SIBLING DISCOUNT

STANDARD WEEKLY RATE : £130

EARLY BIRD (BEFORE 26/06) : £120

**SCAN TO JOIN THE FUN**

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CONTACT : 07852726907



PE next week - please ensure pupils are in the appropriate PE kit.

Summer 2 P.E Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2	Year 6 Year 3	Year 5 Faith	Year 4 Year 5 Hope	EYFS Year 1

News from our classes
What has been the most memorable learning this week?

EYFS:

EYFS have been thrilled to welcome new additions to the classroom - chicks! The incubator arrived with 8 eggs, the children have eagerly been watching the chicks hatch and have enjoyed holding and playing with their new friends!



A great week for EYFS with everyone taking part in this year's Sports Day. Lovely to see great team work and encouragement for each other. A Big thank you to all the parents and loved ones who came to support us. Well done EYFS you're Amazing!!!

Year 1:

The highlight of this week was undoubtedly Sports Day! The children showed fantastic resilience, determination and enthusiasm, encouraged by the wonderful support from family and friends. We may have some future Olympians in our midst!

In Writing, the children completed and shared their hunting narratives about Little Red and the Bear, putting their best efforts in to include exciting adjectives and alliteration. In Maths, we finished our money topic, learning how to make amounts in different ways and even how to begin calculating change. In Humanities, we learned about the Windrush generation and the important contributions people from the Caribbean made to Britain with their rich food, culture and music.

In Science, we transferred our plants from their pots to the school flowerbed and also explored the process of pollination.

In RE, we discussed what makes a good listener and why listening to God's word is important. In Music, the children recreated seaside sounds such as crashing waves, fairground rides and scuttling crabs. In E-Safety, we learned how to be respectful, responsible and kind online.

A busy week of learning and teamwork - great job, year 1 😊

Year 2:

Year 2 have had a brilliant week of learning! We've continued developing our stories about inventors in Writing and thinking about the various ways we can make these even better. We also have developed our understanding of the relationships between division and multiplication in Maths,

Year 3:

Year 3 have had a week filled with awe and wonder! From enjoying team bonding and developing their personal resilience during Sports Day to visiting the adorable baby chicks in EYFS, it has been a week full of memorable experiences.

In Reading, Year 3 have continued enjoying

Year 4:

Year 4 have had another busy and successful week! In Maths, we revised finding fractions of amounts and worked hard to apply our understanding to a range of problems. In Writing, we created our own invention narratives inspired by *Manfish*, using exciting vocabulary and imaginative ideas. In

and applying these to word based problem questions. In Humanities, we have explored what school life is like in Jamaica and compared the school bags between the two countries. We've also considered what promises are made during a Baptism in RE, and thought about what we would say ourselves. We also learnt about ecosystems in Science and looked at how these could develop in our class terrarium! Finally, the class was incredible during Sports Day and demonstrated incredible sportsmanship and resilience! Teamwork and collaboration were really apparent, and demonstrated the brilliant attitude amongst the class! Well done!	<i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i>, answering comprehension questions on each section we have read to help prepare for next week's assessment week. We have also continued our daily LBQ practice, helping to build confidence and strengthen our knowledge in preparation for next week's assessments. Well done, Year 3!	Geography, we explored Zambia's natural resources and learned about their importance to the country's economy and environment. We were also incredibly proud to represent the school at a cricket competition, where the team demonstrated excellent teamwork and determination, earning a well-deserved bronze medal. To finish the week, we took part in Sports Day, showing fantastic resilience, collaboration and sportsmanship throughout all of the events. Well done, Year 4 – you have been a credit to the school!	
Year 5 Faith: Year 5 Faith have had an amazing week of learning! In maths we continued our work on fractions, using visual representations to understand how to calculate fractions! In reading, we continued reading "The fastest boy in the world" Talking about their impressions of the main character Solomon! In writing, Y5 engaged in roleplay helping to prepare them for their big write, they were either a determined or a cautious character, based on their chosen illustration. In PSHE, we continued learning about puberty and how it will change their body. Y5 also had an amazing sports day,	Year 5 Hope Class Hope have had a great week of learning with good effort and focus. We have carried out some more role play and exploration of characters, which will help with the writing of our dilemma narratives next week. We have continued to develop our knowledge and understanding of fractions in maths with a focus on unit fractions and wholes. In humanities, we have been learning about renewable and non-renewable energy, understanding what sustainability means and that the future could potentially be affected if we run out of energy sources. We have started a new	Year 6 Year 6 had a fantastic week filled with learning, teamwork, and enthusiasm. Everyone enjoyed taking part in our successful Sports Day, showing great determination in all the activities while demonstrating excellent sportsmanship by encouraging and supporting one another throughout the event. In Humanities, the children have been exploring the topic of population, developing their understanding of how and why populations change and the impact this has around the world. The class also	

they tried their best and they were very supportive towards their team mates! We finished the week with an amazing and educational trip to the British Museum! Well done Y5 Faith!	book in reading called, "The Indian in the Cupboard" which has us highly engaged. We took part in Sports Day, which was great fun, and I was highly impressed with the skills demonstrated! We ended the week with a trip to the British Museum, to view artefacts from the areas of history we have learnt about this year! Well done Class Hope!	participated in another inspiring Mentivation session, focusing on developing a positive mindset and recognising the importance of resilience, confidence, and perseverance when facing challenges. Finally, preparations for our upcoming production of <i>Oliver!</i> are well underway. Pupils have been working hard in rehearsals, learning their lines, songs, and choreography, and we are excited to see the performance continue to come together.	
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Hot chocolate Friday!

Pupils enjoyed hot chocolate this week. They have consistently displayed exemplary behaviour and learning.



Nursery and Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 Hope	Year 5 Faith	Year 6
Sebastian and Joel	Marinela	Kamirah	Ahmed	Sydney	Jehovani	Mouhamed	Jahiem

School value in focus this week **kindness**:

Each week the class teacher nominates a pupil in their class who has shown the school value that was in focus.



The pupils who have shown excellent **kindness** are:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 Hope	Year 5 Faith	Year 6
Raine	Aras	Keanna	Atarah	Selasi	A'meirah		Israel

COMMUNITY & PARTNER EVENTS

African Community School Saturday Programme

Every Saturday during term time, 10:00am-1:00pm, The Bridge Academy, Laburnum Street, London E2 8BA. GCSE/SATs prep plus cultural enrichment. [Register

Here: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Md0mzIMUMUyOp8YQ6zje9XaenChOPs9EjK3ZjRgcsxhUMLZSWUEzUVY0RVpGNDQzODdWN0FaSU5NTC4u&route=shorturl>]

Creative Wellbeing Courses

Drawing and Painting (5 weeks): Thursdays 18 June – 16 July, 11am–2pm.

Aspland and Marcon Estate, E8 1LP. [Sign Up]: bit.ly/4s1793g

Jewellery Making (5 weeks): Mondays 8 June – 20 July, 11am–2pm.

Pembury Community Centre, E8 1FA. [Sign Up]: bit.ly/47sEJaP

Sewing (5 weeks): Thursdays 17 April – 21 May, 10:30am–1:30pm.

Ashwin Street Bootstrap Building, E8 3DL. [Sign Up]: bit.ly/4rZ6RcW

Volunteer Mentoring in Hackney

African Community School recruiting mentors for young people aged 9–18. Open to undergraduates, postgraduates, and professionals.

Mental Health Awareness Week 2026

Mental Health Awareness Week takes place from 11 to 17 May 2026. This year's theme focuses on community and the importance of connection, belonging, and supportive relationships in protecting mental health and wellbeing.

We would like to recognise the continued work taking place across schools and services to support the wellbeing of children and young people across City and Hackney. This month also marks World Day for Cultural Diversity. We

encourage schools and partners to use this as an opportunity to reflect on wellbeing, connection, inclusion, and the communities we serve.

Support for Children & Young People

- Childline: Dial 0800 1111 or visit the website to talk to someone and get text support.
- Every Mind Matters: Simple and practical ways to ease anxiety, manage stress, lift mood, and sleep better
- Young Minds: Information and support for CYP or for someone wanting to help a child or young person who is struggling with their mental health
- Clear Fear app: Information and support to reduce the physical responses to threat as well as changing thoughts and behaviours, and releasing emotions
- Calm Harm: Information and support to help manage the urge to self-harm, based on Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT)

Keeping Children Safe

The safeguarding of the children at St Matthias is our number one priority. We adhere to stringent safeguarding procedures to protect the welfare of all the children who come to our school. We will endeavour to work with parents and carers as it is our duty as a school to protect our children and to keep them safe.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead (Ms Blewett) or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Ms Frohock, Ms Cherid or Ms Janiece).



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