



St Matthias School Newsletter

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Autumn Term 1
Friday 11th October 2019

Dear parents and carers,

It has been an exciting start to Black History Month for St. Matthias! Every year group has been learning about influential and inspirational black scientists, in particular focusing on the story of Mae Jemison, the world's first black, female astronaut. We've been writing time-travelling letters encouraging her to follow her dream! Don't forget our Black History Month event is next Thursday (17th October), starting at 3:45 which is sure to be extremely entertaining and informative! All children and adults will need tickets, unless they are performers. All children attending (apart from performers) will need to be accompanied by an adult.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mr Lowson

Celebrating

Great behaviour

at

Golden tea



100% Attendance

Rec, Y3 & Y6

NUR- Elif
REC- Aurora
YR1A- Jia
YR2A- Jane
YR3A- Kirtan

YR4A- Ryan
YR4S- Jhauni'ya
YR5A- Aliyah
YR5S- Maysie
YR6- Kaedon

Please Note:

The usual Friday fish and chips will be on **Thursday** next week and the meatballs/pasta will be on the **Friday**. This is due to the fryer having a deep clean during half term.



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Harvest Festival

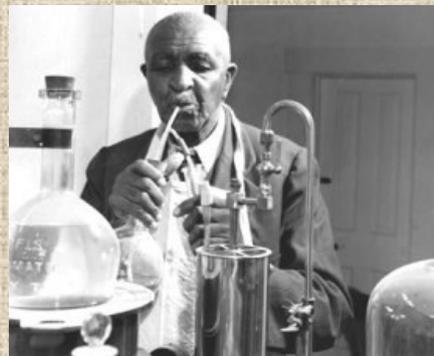
Just a reminder that we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival next week. Please can you bring in any donations to the main office. Please see the current shopping list, which lists the greatest need:

***UHT Milk (Not Fresh) *UHT Juice (Not Fresh) *Tinned Meat (Corned beef/ Ham/ Chicken) *Tinned Fish *Tinned Fruit *Tinned Veg *Instant Mash *Curry Sauce /Pasta Sauce *Rice 1kg/500gms *Tinned Rice Pudding/ Custard *Soap/ Shower Gel *Toilet Roll *Washing Up Liquid *Jam/ Peanut Butter *Porridge/Oats**

Black History Month

This week's Black History Month featured scientist is George Washington Carver (1864 -1943).

Carver became known around the world as an expert on agriculture. He advised President Theodore Roosevelt on agriculture and farming. He even worked with Indian leader Mahatma Gandhi to help with growing crops in India! He was known as the "farmer's best friend". His work on crop rotation and innovative products helped many farmers to survive and make a good living. His interest was in science and helping others, not in getting rich. He didn't even patent most of his work because he considered his ideas as gifts from God. He thought they should be free to others.



Please join us on Thursday 17th October to celebrate Black History Month!



Thursday 17th October, 9-9.30am in the Hall

Please join Ms Cherid to talk about how we teach Early Reading (phonics) across the school.

Book Amnesty

Please have a good look around your homes to see if you have any books that belong to the school. We want to get as many back as possible so that we can share those lovely books with the rest of the school. Thank you!

Reminder: Flu vaccinations will be on 5th November. If you have not filled out your consent form please do so as soon as possible. We have a limited number of spare forms in the office.

Mrs. Blewett's Book Recommendation:



Buy it [here](#)