



## St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 9 September  
2022

### Latest news from school:

How brilliant to see all the children back at school and to welcome our new pupils and their families. The term has already got off to a very busy start so please check your text messages and emails to keep on top of everything that is going on!

**Filming in school:** Today we had a film crew into school to make a promotional film. I am sure your children will tell you all about it and once the footage has been edited we will share with you.

**Building works in school:** We are currently having a good deal of building works in school - this is to upgrade the school's heating system to heat source pumps and to update the lightning systems to a more eco efficient system.

**Clubs:** We have extended our range of clubs this term so I do hope that you will find some options that your child/ren will enjoy. Clubs start on Monday 12 September so please book up now using the google form that the office sent out.

**Meet the teacher:** This is a new idea and an opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher and find out about what your child/ren can expect during the course of this year. Please check your text messages for the start time and date for your child/rens class.

**Library:** We are installing an electronic system for borrowing library books which means that the library is currently out of action. The new system will mean that we can review the books each child is reading and keep a check on our library stock. Please can you check at home for any school library books and return them as soon as you can. If you wanted to volunteer any time to help us get the books scanned and onto the system please contact the school office.

### Meet the Head Teacher and Deputy Head:

Next Friday (16th) there is an opportunity for you to come into school, share a cup of tea/coffee and meet me and Ms Martin. We would love to hear what you think about the school - which aspects are working well and where we could make adjustments. Meeting time is 8.45 - 9.30

**School Parliament:** Elections for our school parliament will be taking place next Friday. We will let you know which pupils have been elected to represent their class next week.

**Staffing:** A new Spanish teacher, Ms Eli will be starting with us this term.

### Important dates:

#### Meet your child's class teacher:

**Monday 12th  
September at 3.00pm  
Year 1 and 2**

**Wednesday 14th  
September at 3.00pm  
Year 3 and 4**

**Thursday 15th  
September at 3.00pm  
Years 5 and 6**

**Friday 16th September  
at 3.00pm for EYFS**

**Year 4 to Ufton Court:  
28 - 30 September**

**Harvest festival  
celebration in Church  
at 2.45 Friday 7  
October. Everyone is  
welcome.**

**Individual/Sibling  
Photos  
Tuesday 11th October**

**2 November 13.00 -  
15.30 and 16.00 -  
17.00**

**Parent consultations  
(more details to  
follow)**

<p>Ms Eli is a very experienced teacher and we are very excited for her to join the StM team!</p> <p>Mr Daniel has joined us as our new sports coach</p>			<p><b><u>Remembrance service</u></b> <b><i>Friday 11 November</i></b> <b><i>at 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome</i></b></p>
<p><b>News from our classes: What has been the most memorable learning this week?</b></p>			<p><b><i>14 - 16 November Year 4 residential to Ufton Court</i></b></p>
			<p><b><i>21 -25 November Year 6 residential to Penrith</i></b></p>
			<p><b><i>Wednesday 7 December School Panto</i></b></p>
			<p><b><u>Friday 9 December</u></b> <b><i>School Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day</i></b></p>
			<p><b><u>Monday 12 December</u></b> <b><i>Service of Thanksgiving at 2.45pm. Everyone is welcome</i></b></p>
			<p><b><u>Tuesday 13 December</u></b> <b><i>EYFS Nativity at 9.00</i></b> <b><i>KS1 and KS2 Carol service at 2.00pm</i></b> <b><i>Everyone is welcome</i></b></p>

<p><b>Year 5:</b></p> <p>Year 5 have been writing a character description of Hercules in writing, predicting the force that gravity has on different objects in science and practising their routine in preparation for Hackney Carnival on Sunday.</p>	<p>will be performing at Hackney Carnival - make sure that they're there!</p>													
<p>School value in focus this week: <b>Collaboration</b></p> <p>Each week the class teacher nominates a pupil in their class who has shown the school value that was in focus.</p> <p>The pupils who received collaboration badges are:</p> <table><tr><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td></tr><tr><td>Jhaunyl</td><td>Ellis</td><td>Deniz</td><td>Desire</td><td>Le'Eriah</td><td>Whitney</td></tr></table>			Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Jhaunyl	Ellis	Deniz	Desire	Le'Eriah	Whitney
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<p>Online guidance for supporting your children at home:</p> <p>A reminder of the web address for our school YouTube Channel. There are lots of useful short clips; for example, maths strategies which we use at school.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoP_ymSdwEBhB530cmcBW_g?app=desktop">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoP_ymSdwEBhB530cmcBW_g?app=desktop</a></p>														
<p><b>Keeping Children Safe:</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact our designated safeguarding lead (Ms Redman) or leadership team (Ms Martin)</p>														