



St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21 October
2022

Latest news from school:

Wishing every family a restful and enjoyable half term.

As part of our remembrance service we would like to do a roll call of any family members who have lost their lives in armed conflict. Please forward names to the school office.



Building works:

The building work continues after half term as the job to replace our old boilers with heat source pumps is a major undertaking. The next phase of work will mean that KS2 classes will be moving to the main building. We are working with the children to

ensure that this physical move is managed well and without disrupting children's learning. KS2 classes will continue to come into school via either gate and will be dismissed at the end of the day from the gate on Cowper Road.

Harvest thanks

Thank you for your generous donation to



The donation of **176.45 kg** of food from St Matthias Church & St Matthias CofE Primary School will contribute to **18 three-day emergency parcels** which will help relieve immediate hunger for people in Hackney in crisis or trapped in poverty. Food parcels are provided alongside wider support, including connecting people with local organisations who can help them to address the causes and effects of poverty in their lives.

Thank you for joining the fight for a hunger-free Hackney!

Important dates:

Parent meetings
2 November 13.00 -
15.15 and 15.45 -
17.00

Remembrance service
Friday 11 November
at 2.00pm.
Everyone is welcome

Year 4 residential to
Ufton Court
14 - 16 November

Children In Need - Non
School Uniform Day
18th November

Year 6 residential to
Penrith
21 -25 November

School Panto
Thursday 8th
December

School Christmas
lunch and Christmas
jumper day
Friday 9 December

Service of
Thanksgiving
Monday 12 December
2.45pm. Everyone is
welcome

Christmas Events
Tuesday 13 December
EYFS Nativity at
9.00am
KS1 and KS2 Carol
service at 2.00pm

Netball competition: Well done to our netball team and Mr Daniel. There was a fierce competition yesterday at Holy Trinity and our team played extremely well.

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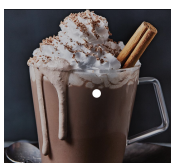
Parent meetings:

This is an important opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher. A google form will be sent out for you to make an appointment. This term we are offering these during the school day (**13.30 - 15.00**) and after school (16.00 - 17.00). On the google form you can choose for a face to face meeting or a phone call. You can also arrange to see me during those times too.

St Matthias Loves Reading!



As a school with reading at the heart of our community, we wanted to give our kids some books to read over the half term. We've teamed up with Marcus Rashford book club to be able to give a book to every child in KS2. Alongside the Dolly Parton Imagination library, we've also been giving every child in EYFS a book a month! We hope you will enjoy these exciting stories and keep reading every day!



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

Yr 1 Berekia	Yr 2 McKai	Yr 3 Alberta	Yr 4 Nasseem	Yr 5 Mazin	Yr 6 Hannah
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News from our classes: What has been the most memorable learning this week?

		Year EYFS: To celebrate Black History Month, Nursery and Reception have been learning about the languages our families speak and where our families are from, using a map of the world. We then located Trinidad and learned all about Carnival! From this, we made junk instruments and bright headdresses, ready to use at our own carnival!
Year 1: This week Year 1 have been learning about Black History Month. In writing we have been looking at Anansi the Spider. We have been writing the story of when he goes to dinner at the turtle's house. We are excited to publish our stories at the end of the week and create some amazing Art.	Mr Daniel's PE: Year 1 and Year 2 completed their objectives for throwing and catching. Year 3 and 4 started basketball which will continue after half term. Year 5 and 6 had their netball assessment which they performed very well in.	

	<p>Year 2: To celebrate Black History month we have been looking at folk stories in particular Anansi stories! We have learnt and retold our own version of Anansi. We have also had an amazing trip to the Tower of London and we enjoyed our Great Fire of London workshop!</p>	<p>Year 3: We have been learning about bones and muscles this half term. To explore how our bodies can stay healthy, we set up an experiment this week and investigated how exercise can help change our heart rate!</p>
<p>Year 4: Year 4 did their first science experiment! We are looking at teeth and how acidic and sugary food break down enamel. They have been really enthusiastic and produced great work.</p>	<p>Year 6: Year 6 had a fantastic trip to London Zoo, where they identified similarities and differences between the species that we saw. We used our knowledge of classifying to determine whether an animal was a mammal, fish, amphibian, reptile or bird!</p>	
<p>Year 5: This week, in R.E, Year 5 identified similarities and differences between magic and miracles. In maths, we are linking our knowledge of decimals and fractions to money.</p>		

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

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

The pupils who received badges are:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Delaney-Rome	Chantae	Arial	Diamond	Faith	Ruzgar

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 Redman) or leadership team (Ms Martin)