



St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th March
2023

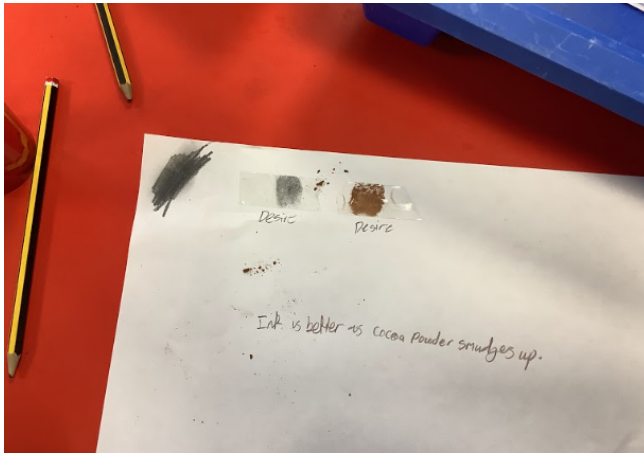
Latest news from school:



We had an eventful science week in school. We encourage children to discuss their experiments at home. Many children with siblings across the school will find that they took part in the same experiment with different levels of complexity. Ask them about their fingerprints!

The children were encouraged to make connections using their scientific skills.

Trying to work out if all fingerprints were the same:



Important dates:

Every Monday:
Fresh produce from Felix project in school office - 13:00 pm

Thursday 30th March
Whole School Easter Egg hunt
Easter Family Concert
2:30pm @ St Matthias Church
(performance from choir)

End of Spring Term
Friday 31st March
School closes at 3:30pm



Class Dojo App

Make sure you're logged in and checking your child's class story!

Hot Chocolate Friday! These children have shown exemplary behaviour and learning.

Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Sharon	Asmin	Alberta	Nathan	Le'shayne	Kimora

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

Year 1:

This week we carried out an experiment to find out whether the weather forecast for the week was accurate. We made rain gauges and left them outside our recorded the amount of rainfall daily to see if our predictions were correct!

Year 2:

Do all fingerprints look the same?
We conducted our own experiment to find out. We found that each individual has their own unique fingerprint!

Ms Frohock's PE:

This week, Ms Frohock took the Y6s for PE, where they practised their communication and dribbling skills. Well done Y6 and well done Ms Frohock!

Year 3:

Year 3 made some excellent predictions this week when we were learning about seismic waves. We made our own seismometers and tested if different activities impacted the seismic waves.

Year 4:

Year 4 had a fantastic week using their key scientific skills to predict and observe their fingerprints. They used cocoa powder to take each other's prints. They then observed to try to answer the question... Are all fingerprints the same?

Year 6:

This week was Science Week! The children designed their own investigations around fingerprints. Some investigations carried out:
> Do people who are older have larger fingerprints?
> Is there a difference between the fingerprints of males and females?
Check out ClassDojo for the results!

Year 5:

For science week this week, we tested our pulse after completing different activities. We also predicted whether our pulse rate would be different depending on our age.

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

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 Service are:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Olamiposi	Milan	Chloe	Olamide	Latifah	Gideon & Kwaku

Online guidance for supporting your children at home:

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.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoP_ymSdwEBhB530cmcBW_g?app=desktop

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 Durcan) or leadership team (Ms Martin/Ms Frohock/Mrs Blewett)



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The Hackney Schools' Challenge is an amazing opportunity for pupils, aged 4-11, to take part in the Hackney Moves weekend. It will be hosted at the Hackney Marshes on Saturday 20th May 2023, at approx. 10.30am. Pupils who want to take part will cover as much of the 12 mile distance as possible in school, before running their final celebratory mile at Hackney Moves.

If you and/or your child would like to take part, please complete this form. We have a limited number of spaces for adults to participate so will confirm with you as soon as we can. <https://forms.gle/DjoEsLZ3NJ4xJLkKA>

ACS Non-Violence
Resistance Parenting
Programme in City
and Hackney



Starts from 26th April 2023
for 12 weeks every Wednesdays 10 AM - 12PM

Register at: bit.ly/ACSNVR23

Taster Session: 19th & 26th April 10AM - 12PM

Course start date: 26th April 2023

Location: Morningside Community Centre, E9 6SJ



About the programme?

This programme is specifically for parents from African Caribbean Heritage Community (ACH) whose children may be experiencing emotional wellbeing or behavioural challenges at home or at school.

The 12 week programme focuses on topics such as:

- De-escalation.
- Parental presence.
- Reconciliation gestures.
- Understanding parent' trauma and child trauma.

The programme runs within City and Hackney over a 12 week period.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/acs-non-violence-resistance-parenting-programme-nvr-registration-570056513377?fbclid=IwAR2OGKXpZcVTxoYiBP331BFx2qqwgWsLjRFprs-K7E-4gRQVnGQAcsyEcjE>



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Family Liaison Advice Surgery - with Miss Janiece

Do you need any support or advice with accessing services outside of school? St Matthias is committed to supporting our parents and families where we can, and we understand that navigating various forms and systems can be a minefield for all of us.

Miss Janiece will be running short sessions with parents where you can unpick any issues you may have, especially around housing, Universal Credit and benefits, get impartial help and support (and a cup of tea) from a friendly face.

If you feel like you might benefit from this, please complete the form below to book in a time and Miss Janiece will be in touch.

All sessions will be booked from 8:30-10am daily, and 2pm-3pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Click this link to book an appointment

<https://forms.gle/5pmRH9ACMT6fHVKX6>