

St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

Latest news from school:

We have had a lovely time at school this week, with some great learning and exciting opportunities. Some of our year 5s and 6s have been practising their cycling and road safety skills and have even been out on some of the local roads and our year 6s have been continuing to work exceptionally hard towards their SATs, which will take place the week after next.

We are also excited to see so many of our pupils taking books home to read. Please continue to encourage your child to read as much as possible - we have some lovely new books that we want to share with them!

Next week, school will be closed on Monday for the bank holiday and on Tuesday for a strike day for all but **year 6**. All children are due back on Wednesday.

We hope you all enjoy your weekend.

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PE Changes for next week due to school strike.				
Monday No School				
Tuesday	Y6			
Wednesday	Y2			
Thursday	Y4			
Friday	Y3			

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

Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Selasi	Asmin	Taaraz	Jeremiah	Tabatha	Asha

Important dates:

Industrial action: Tuesday 2nd May School closed Eyfs-Y5 (Y6 in school)

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

Parents' Evening

Monday 22nd May Y1-Y6



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

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

Year 1:

This week we have enjoyed learning about plants. We have built on our knowledge that we learnt in Reception and now have a better understanding about each part of a plant and their job. We have had fun looking carefully at real flowers and dissecting them into the different parts.

Year 2:

In science we learnt about what plants need to grow and survive. We're growing our own plants and observing how certain conditions affect their growth.

Mr Selvin's PE:

All classes have been engaged in different athletics discipline in their PE lessons. Nursery and Reception have been very outstanding in their lesson, demonstrating good listening skills and following rules in their activities.

Year 3:

This week, we've created our very own mythical creature based on Greek myths. Some of us made ours a mix of animals and some made up elements. We're using these to create our own original story using Odysseus as a hero.

Year 4:

Year 4 have had a busy week. Nina from Wren 300 has been in for a follow up lesson after our superb trip. We delved further into Roman Londinium and the Temple of MIthras.

Year 6:

This Year 6 have been enjoying their mindfulness lessons with Miss Anderson. We have learnt lots of strategies to help us maintain a healthy mind and a healthy body. We now say an affirmation to ourselves every day as we enter the classroom.

Year 5:

This week, in science, we have learnt the causes of day and night, describing the Earth's tilt and its relationship to the changing of seasons. In Maths, we have been finding the volume of compound cuboid shapes.

School value in focus this week: Resilience

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 resilience are:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Berekia	David	Israel	Jia	Anthony	Ruzgar

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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Poem of the week

If you want to share any of your poetry, please give it to your teacher and we'll upload it onto our writing blog here.

'Question Time' by Julia Donaldson

How many books have you written? Have you been writing for years? Where do you get all the paper? Where do you get your ideas?

Do you get bumps on your fingers?
Do you get aches in your wrist?
Please can I go to the toilet?
Did you write "Oliver Twist"?

I've got a book about spiders.
I've got a cut on my knee.
I've got an aunt who speaks German.
Gemma keeps tickling me.

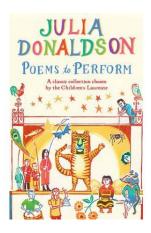
Are you quite old? Are you famous?

Are you a millionaire?

I wasn't putting my hand up – I was just twiddling my hair.

How many plays have you written?
Do you write one every day?
Do you... oh dear, I've forgotten
What I was going to say.

Will you be staying to dinner?
Will you go home on the bus?
How many poems have you written?
Will you write one about us?





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