

#### St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd June 2023

#### **Latest news from school:**

WINDRUSH DAY:





St. Matthias Primary School celebrated Windrush Day, paying tribute to the Windrush Generation and Caribbean culture. The day kicked off with an assembly highlighting what arriving on the Windrush would have been like. The children learnt about Sam Beaver King's journey and his role in becoming the first black mayor of London, as well as Claudia Jones's contributions to the black community through the setting up of Notting Hill Carnival. Engaging lessons allowed children to immerse themselves in Caribbean culture.

#### **Important dates:**

Industrial action: School closed Weds 5th & Fri 7th July (not EYFS & Year 6)

Wednesday 28th June
Choir in concert
2:30-3:00 church
All invited for a STM
singalong!

Thursday 29th June School Fair & Cultural Day 3:30-5pm

Wednesday 12th July EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

Thursday 13th July
KS2 Sports Day

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



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

#### Strike action:

Unfortunately the teaching unions have been unable to reach an agreement with the government. As a result our teachers will be striking for two days: Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th of July. School will be closed for all classes. If your child is in year 6 or EYFS they are invited to still attend on these days. We are not able to have any other children in school due to all teachers fighting the cause on the picket line. Thank you for your understanding and support.

PE next week					
Monday	Y6				
Tuesday	Y4 and Y1				
Wednesday	EYFS and Y5				
Thursday	Y2				
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
Crystal	Chantae	Alberta	Cavai	Joel Roshni	Ebenezer

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

EYFS: This week we have been writing and describing the characters in our new book No Dinner. We also learned all about tea and conducted a science experiment to see what happens when we brew tea with cold and with hot water.

# Year 1 has had a very exciting week. We got to take part in a drama workshop where we helped Peter Pan find his lost treasure. We loved celebrating Windrush Day and learning about Claudia Jones and the amazing things she did for the

Caribbean community.

Year 1:

Year 4:

# Year 2: Year 2 had a fantastic week, they enjoyed celebrating Windrush Day and learning about significant figures. We also continued our learning in Jamaica discussing the similarities and differences compared to the Uk.

Year 3: Our amazing poetry is up on display and ready for you to read! We've also completed two different rock experiments so we're confidently able to call ourselves geologists!

# This week the children loved learning about the Windrush Generation. They thoroughly enjoyed the day and were captivated by the achievements of Sam Beaver King and Claudia Jones.

## Year 5 had an amazing Windrush day, creating some beautiful pieces of artwork. Additionally, we had some insightful discussions about how we can create an equal future for all.

Year 5:

#### Year 6:

The class have written and published a self-help guide to young people on how they can look after their well-being and mental health. Ask your child for their top tips!

#### PE:

This week, we have been continuing our athletics practice, focusing on our own personal goals. In the younger years, we have been using cones to support our gross motor skills.

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
Lais	Joellianna	Artem	Daniel	Avjeet	Jaelianna

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 <a href="here">here</a>.

#### 'Life' by David I, Y6

#### What is life?

Life is a journey with twists and turns, goods, bads, greats and worsts.

Life is filled with laughter and tears - it can be filled with joy and sorrow.

Life is the most precious gift of all so we should embrace this gift with grace and deep purpose.

#### What is life?

Life is our own path. It is the way we react to many situations. Life has its ups and downs but in life.

It's good to stumble or make mistakes because it's not where we start, it's where we finish that counts, but what is life without a challenge?

#### What is life?

Life can be uncertain and we never know what lies ahead and what our journey has to offer but we have the power to decide.

#### What is life?

Life is a wondrous journey for, in each and every moment, is a new day to embrace.

Life can be challenging but, when we fall, we rise and try again like the phoenix for life is a time to let our souls truly shine.

Everyone has a purpose in life.

- Life is a journey, not a destination - Ralph Waldo



#### David's top tip for writing poetry:

Finding inspiration is hard. Sometimes it's good to magpie other poet's ideas. You don't need to force yourself to write poetry, you can read another poem to know what you need to do.

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Book Stall

Bouncy Castle

Uniform stall

Food on sale

Jumble Sale

Raffles



MUSIC | GAMES | STALLS AND MORE

29TH JUNE 2023 ST MATTHIAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### FREE ENTRANCE!

3:30 - 5:00pm

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A STALL FOR £10 PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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