



St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

**Friday 8th
September
2023**

Latest news from school:

Welcome back everyone!

What a wonderful start to the term. The sunshine has welcomed us back into the new academic year and although we may be sweltering we are eager and raring to go.

Your children have been a joy this week and have started the term with positive attitudes and excellent behaviour. We are particularly proud of our reception children and all our new starters and we welcome you warmly to our school.

Please join your child's class teacher at 3:30 next Wednesday as part of our 'meet the teacher' session. If you have more than one child feel free to pop between the two.

Coffee Mornings and Parent Workshops

Please join us on Thursdays from 8:45-9:15. These are opportunities for us to share information with you about a range of subjects. We hope to see as many people as possible.

Autumn 1:

Thursday 21st September	Meet the headteacher
Thursday 28th September	Meet the SENDCo
Thursday 5th October	Read Write Inc. (for pupils from YR-Y3)
Thursday 12th October	Reading (for pupils from Y2-Y6)
Thursday 19th October	Oracy

PE next week - please ensure pupils are in appropriate PE kit

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y4	Y1 and Y2	Y3	Y6	Y5 (swimming)

EYFS PE will start on Wednesday 20th September

Important dates:

Wednesday 13th September:

Meet the Teacher in classrooms 3:30-4:00

Thursday 21st September:

Coffee Morning - Meet the headteacher
8:45-9:15

Thursday 28th September:

Coffee Morning - Meet the SENDCo 8:45-9:15

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Hot chocolate Friday!

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

Yr 1 Aishat	Yr 2 Sharon	Yr 3 Romeo	Yr 4 Artem	Yr 5 Desire	Yr 6 Jane
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News from our classes: What has been the most memorable learning this week?

EYFS:

It was lovely to welcome Reception back to school this week - they have had a great start to the new term. The children enjoyed exploring and playing in the classroom and seeing their friends again. They showed lots of confidence and will be excellent role models for the Nursery children, who we look forward to welcoming next week.

Year 1:

We have had a great start to the school year. We have been learning our new classroom rules and getting to grips with the expectations of being in KS1. We have also looked at rhyming words to write our own revolting rhyme.

Year 2:

We have had a fantastic start to the new term. This week we have been discussing strategies to help us stay on green. We have also been practising our presentation and assigned our class monitors. We created some amazing word banks to help inspire our writing for Roald Dahl week.

Year 3:

Year 3 has had a brilliant start to the term! We have been focused on increasing our confidence by saying our positive affirmations in the morning. We have also been focused on the poem 'The Crocodile' to help us write our own poem in honour of Roald Dahl week. Well done year 3!

Year 4:

We have had an incredible start to the year and have settled into our new year group with ease! We have been excited to make speeches to apply for the different jobs around the classroom - monitors will be announced today!

Year 5:

In our first week back at school, we embarked on exciting adventures! We explored the world of decimals, dove into our new book on myths, and have started to create a whimsical Roald Dahl-inspired Cinderella poem. Here's to a magical year of learning and growth ahead!

Year 6:

Year 6 has done the school proud this week! They have been role models to other classes in how they have moved around the school, been exceptionally focused during class and have been kind and respectful to adults and children across the school. The class is excited to find out that we will be going on our first trip - London Zoo - in a couple of weeks! Well done Year 6 ;)

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 have shown excellent **collaboration** are:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Maya	Semirah	Chantae	Sarai	Zayn	Hephzibah

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



HACKNEY TENNIS

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Free Disability Junior Tennis Sessions @ Hackney Downs



We are delighted to announce that we are continuing our FREE disability sessions for children with learning, sensory and physical disabilities this autumn. These HT funded sessions are open to all children aged 8-18yrs and their families. The initiative is led by HT's Head Coach Luke Barker and supported by a team of trained local volunteers. All equipment is provided.

HT will be delivering sessions at local SEN schools throughout the term, with some schools also coming to play on the courts at Clissold Park and Hackney Downs.

We do not expect families to be able to come every week, it will be great to see you whenever you can make it. You can sign up by clicking on the button below.

Please forward this on to anyone you know who may be interested in this opportunity. For further information or questions please email Head Coach Luke Barker headcoach@hackneytennis.co.uk

Register here:

<https://mailchi.mp/4d10a8a03a6e/hackney-tennis-march-newsletter-5449135?e=398bdc2665>

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2023

THE FAMILY COACH SERVICE'S - PARENT EMPOWERMENT GROUP

Would you like to meet other parents who may have similar parenting experiences?

If you've answered yes, our group could be for you!

For families with children that have special educational needs. No formal diagnosis or EHCP required.



100% of parents who attended previous groups would recommend the groups!

'It's nice to meet other parents that are going through similar things as me'

'I now believe that I am a good mum and am doing my best'

MONDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

London Fields Primary School
Finding tools for behaviour



TUESDAYS
12:30 - 1:30 PM

Online
Increasing confidence and reducing stress as a parent

WEDNESDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

Berger
Finding tools for behaviour



THURSDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

Grazebrook Primary School
Increasing confidence and reducing stress as a parent



10 spaces available. Please send us an email to book your place today familycoach@hackney.gov.uk