

St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2023

Latest news from school:

As we enter into October we are excited to be learning about significant black women in history as part of our black history learning and celebration. This will end in a gallery exhibition of learning on **Thursday 19th October.**

As part of our celebration of community we are launching a St Matthias

Sewing Bee where we will be inviting parents to join us for sewing mornings each week. The plan is to make lengths of bunting and cushions to decorate the school using kente cloth. Come along for our first session on <u>Tuesday 3rd October</u>. Bring your machine if you have one otherwise needles, thread, fabric will all be provided. <u>8:45am</u> we'll make sure the kettle is on. If you can't sew, come and learn or just pop in for a chat!

There is NO inset day after half term so ALL children are due back at school on **Monday 30th October**.

Last day of term will now be on Wednesday 20th December.

Coffee Mornings and Parent Workshops

Please join us on <u>Thursdays</u> from <u>8:45-9:15</u>. 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 5th October | Read Write Inc. (for pupils from YR-Y3) | |
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| Thursday 12th October | Reading (for pupils from Y2-Y6) | |
| Tuesday 17th October | Oracy (speaking and listening) | |

Y4 at Sports Inspired Hackney Sports Festival

Y4 had an incredible time participating in a range of sports at Britannia leisure centre this week. We played Rugby on the roof, volleyball, Boccia, wheelchair basketball, and even got stuck in with some fencing! We showed incredible team spirit and sportsmanship throughout the day and made St Matthias proud!





Important dates:

Tuesday 3rd October:

Y4 Trip to London Mithraeum

Thursday 5th October:

Coffee Morning - Read Write Inc. 8:45-9:15

Thursday 5th October:

Y3 Trip to the British Musuem

Thursday 12th October:

Coffee Morning - Reading 8:45-9:15

Monday 16th October:

Y2 Trip to St Paul's Cathedral

Tuesday 17th October:

Coffee Morning - Oracy 8:45-9:15

Thursday 19th October:

Black Women in History Exhibition

Friday 20th October

Last day of term 3:30pm collection

Monday 30th October

ALL children return to school

Tuesday 14th November:

Individual/Sibling
Photos
9:00am

Tuesday 14th

November:

Parents Evening 2-7pm

| PE next week - please ensure pupils are in appropriate PE kit | | | | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | | | |
| Y4 | Y1 and Y2 | EYFS Y3 | Y6 | Y5 (swimming) | | | |

Hot chocolate Friday!

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

| Yr 1 Yr 2 Daniel Berekia | Yr 3 | Yr 4 | Yr 5 | Yr 6 |
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| | Ellis | Lachlan | Jia | Mazin |

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

EYFS:

This week we have been reading some new stories including Ruby's Worry and Elmer! We have been talking about what makes us happy, who is in our family and what makes us special. In PSHE we made different faces to express our feelings, and shared what makes us happy, sad and angry!

Year 1:

This week we have been scientists! We have been testing materials and seeing how absorbent they are! In writing we have published our diary entries written in the role of Beegu1

Year 2:

In year 2 this week we have been writing diary entries as our robot character. We also discussed what we need to be able to live in RE. In PSHE we thought about what responsibilities we have as learners and as members of our class.

Year 3:

In year 3 we have been looking at Stone Age Britain in preparation for our trip to the British museum next week. The children have all seemed to take an interest in this topic.

Year 4:

We've had such an exciting week as we were able to participate in a Hackney wide sports competition. We have also been learning about the function of our different teeth types in science, ready for an experiment next week!

Year 5:

This week in Year 5, we delved into decimals, exploring hundredths to better understand fractions. We also had a blast learning about forces, discovering the difference between balanced and unbalanced forces through exciting experiments. Keep up the great work, Year 5!

Year 6:

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard on their assessments this week. They have shown resilience and have done themselves proud. The focus and commitment to learning and improving has been fantastic!

School value in focus this week: Kindness

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 **Kindness** are:

| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Ryaan | Samirah | Elif | Winley | Yagmur | Faith |

Online guidance for supporting your children at home:

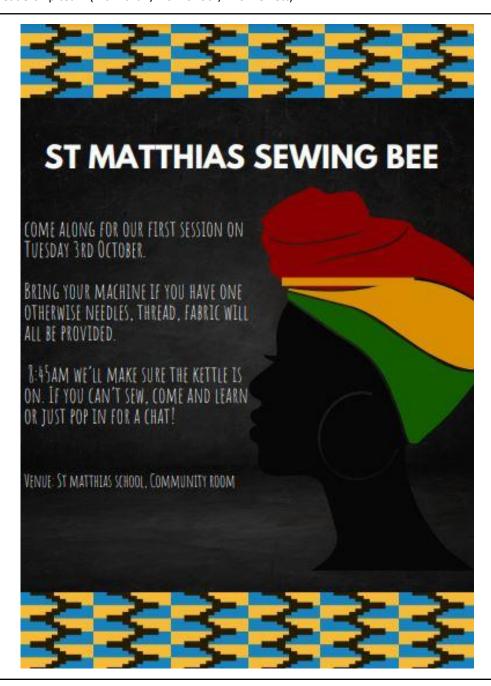
A reminder of the web address for our school YouTube Channel. There are lots of useful short clips; for example, maths strategies which we use at school.

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)



SEND Coffee Morning

A huge thank you to all of our parents and carers who attended our SEND coffee morning this week. Here are the links that were shared.

Hackney Local Offer:



https://www.hackneylocaloffer.co.uk/kb5/hackney/localoffer/home.page

Sibs (for the brothers and sisters of children with SEND):



<u>CAMHs Update</u>

Wellbeing and Mental Health in Schools (WAMHS) project

The City & Hackney Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Alliance are currently involved in a service redesign project that aims for **closer integration** between Well-being and Mental Health in Schools Services (WAMHS) and the Mental Health Support in School Team (MHST). As part of this process, we are inviting the school community to consultations to hear about WAMHS & MHST and to give feedback and views about experiences and changes needed.

The time of the online parent/carer forum is <u>Monday 30th October at 7-8pm.</u> Attendees will receive £20 voucher. Please register to attend and receive a Zoom link via: <u>https://bit.ly/45b8zwq</u>

MENTAL HEALTH IN SCHOOLS

CONSULTATION ON SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Your opportunity to give your views on the development of the Wellbeing and Mental Health in Schools services Each parent/carer participant will receive a £20 voucher











OCTOBER 30TH **7PM TO 8PM**

Use the link below or the QR code to register and receive the Zoom link

https://bit.ly/45b8zwg

