



St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th October
2023

Latest news from school:

We launched our black history month with a sewing bee- using beautiful African prints to turn into wonderful creations. Come along next Tuesday to join in! We are making things to then sell at the Christmas fair.



We have launched our drive for excellence in handwriting and presentation. This was kicked off with whole school assemblies. Please talk to your children about joining their letters and taking pride in their presentation. Come and see our wall of pride in the entrance of the school.



Harvest Festival Assembly

We had an amazing assembly thanking God for our blessings and thanking the farmers for all that they do to help us.

Year 6 wrote beautiful prayers and we sang our favourite Harvest songs.



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.

Important dates:

Tuesday 10th

October:

Sewing Bee

Thursday 12th

October:

Coffee Morning -

Reading

8:45-9:15

Monday 16th

October:

Y2 Trip to St Paul's
Cathedral

Y5 Trip to the British
Museum

Tuesday 17th

October:

Coffee Morning -

Oracy 8:45-9:15

Thursday 19th

October:

Black Women in
History Exhibition

9:00-9:30

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

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 12th October	Reading (for pupils from Y2-Y6)
Tuesday 17th October	Oracy (speaking and listening)

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

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 R Abby	Yr 1 Ayesha	Yr 2 Safiyah	Yr 3 Jason	Yr 4 Amelia	Yr 5 Daniel	Yr 6 Duwayne
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Tuesday 14th

November:

Parents Evening
times tbc

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

EYFS:

This week we have been practising our subitising amounts up to 3 and counting carefully. We have also been learning new sounds in RWI and writing in our new RWI books. Outside we have been spotting our friends using binoculars and having lots of fun playing games and Floor is Lava.

Year 1:

This week year 1 has been taking on the role of police officers. We have been investigating who stole Bear's hat in I want my hat back. We have created interview questions ready for our hot seating next week. In science we have carried out an experiment on what materials are waterproof.

Year 2:

This week we have been learning how to visually represent numbers in different ways. We have been learning some facts about bluebirds so we can write a fact file and we have been comparing the elasticity of different materials.

Year 3:

This week year 3 took part in a fun filled team building exercise, where they created a tower out of marshmallows and spaghetti within 10 minutes. This helped to build their communication skills, resilience and problem solving skills. Alongside

Year 4:

We have had a very busy and exciting week! We've learnt to make and break 4 digit numbers using counters, we've learnt about Moses and the 'calling' he had to follow God's word, we've visited an Ancient Roman Temple at the London

Year 5:

This week in Year 5, we've been busy! We harnessed our knowledge of hundredths to conquer measurement conversions, crafted captivating sentences using relative clauses in our writing, and delved into the fascinating world of gravity, understanding the forces

<p>this, year 3 went on a trip to the British Museum where they were able to observe the Prehistoric Britain exhibition.</p>	<p>Mithraeum and we've started a science experiment to investigate tooth decay using eggs, sugar and vinegar. Next week, we'll find out which drinks are the worst for your teeth!</p>	<p>that keep us grounded. Keep up the fantastic work, Year 5! 🌟</p>	
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Year 6:
 Year 6 have been writing diary entries from the perspective of the main character from the book 'Wonder'. The class has been using an impressive range of punctuation, including semi-colons, colons and dashes! We look forward to seeing their final pieces!

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

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 **Friendship** are:

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kameel	Aishat	Martin	Amaya	Lionel	Alex	Mazin

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)



ST MATTHIAS SEWING BEE

COME ALONG FOR OUR FIRST SESSION ON
TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER.

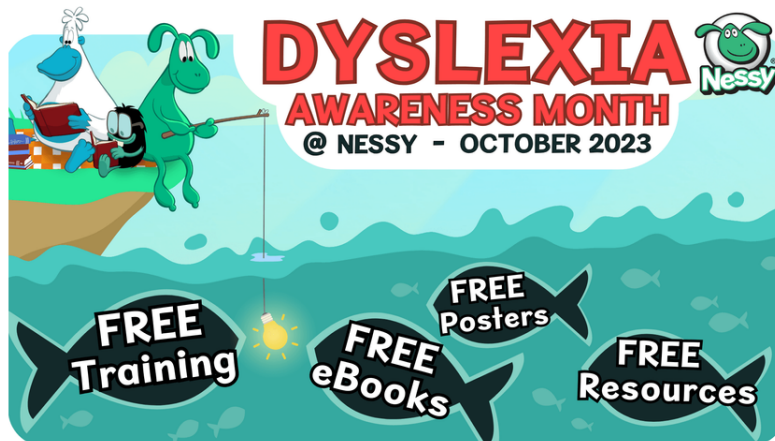
BRING YOUR MACHINE IF YOU HAVE ONE
OTHERWISE NEEDLES, THREAD, FABRIC WILL
ALL BE PROVIDED.

8:45AM WE'LL MAKE SURE THE KETTLE IS
ON. IF YOU CAN'T SEW, COME AND LEARN
OR JUST POP IN FOR A CHAT!

VENUE: ST MATTHIAS SCHOOL, COMMUNITY ROOM



Dyslexia Awareness Month 2023



Understanding Dyslexia FREE parent edition

Get it free

A short course to quickly learn the basics of dyslexia

Learn how to identify it, and how to help.

Link to course for parents:

<https://www.nessy.com/en-gb/product/understanding-dyslexia-free-parent-edition-for-dyslexia-awareness-month>

CAMHs Update

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 **Monday 30th October at 7-8pm.** Attendees will receive £20 voucher. Please register to attend and receive a Zoom link via: <https://bit.ly/45b8zwq>

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/45b8zwq>

