



St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

Friday 19th April
2024

Latest news from school:

We have had a lovely week this week - we have been so lucky to have someone come in to teach our pupils all about wheelchair basketball. Throughout this half term, all classes from year 1 to year 6 will get the chance to play wheelchair basketball and learn all about inclusion in sport.



Coffee Morning This Week

Thank you to all our parents and carers who attended this week's coffee morning on specific literacy difficulties.



You can sign up for home support with reading using an online programme called Nessy: <https://www.nessy.com/en-gb>

The British Dyslexia Association:

<https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/dyslexia>

Important dates:

Thursday 2nd May

Coffee morning:
Phonics Screening
Check (8:45-9:15am)

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday - school
closed

W.c.13th May

Year 6 SATs (M-Th)

Saturday 18th May

Hackney Moves
Schools Challenge
(sign up first)

Thursday 23rd May

Coffee morning:
History and
Geography
(8:45-9:15am)

Friday 24th May

Class photos (tbc)

Upcoming Coffee Mornings

Please join us from **8:45-9:15** in the **Community Room**.

These are opportunities for us to share information with you about a range of subjects. We hope to see as many people as possible.

Summer 1:

Thursday 2nd May	Phonics Screening Check (Mrs Cherid)
Thursday 9th May	Effective questioning in EYFS (Ms Quinney)
Thursday 16th May	No workshop - KS2 SATs Week
Thursday 23rd May	History and Geography (Mr Henderson)

PE next week - please ensure pupils are in appropriate PE kit				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y5 Y3 wheelchair basketball	Y1 and Y2	EYFS Y3	Y6	Y4 Swimming

Hot chocolate Friday!

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

Yr R	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Inaaya	Ahmed	Jed	Steven	Keylor	Dennikye	Joyce

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

EYFS:

We have a busy and active week - we've enjoyed observing flowers and plants and labelling their different parts. We also all had a go at planting - well done EYFS! In art we have been creating flower garden collages and we have been learning how to add numbers together in maths. Good job Early Years!

Year 1:

This week we have been journalists! We have been writing a report for the Lonely Beasts adventure to the city. We have also learnt more about Florence Nightingale and what he experience must have been like in a hospital 200 years ago! In Maths we have also been mastering the skill of subtraction and we have worked so hard!

Year 2:

This week we have been working hard on using our partitioning knowledge in maths to subtract two digit numbers. We have also been focused on learning how to use apostrophes for possession and sharing our thoughts and ideas for how we can care for the Earth.

Year 3:

This week year3 have begun to look at fractions, focusing on the different parts that can make a whole. Alongside this, year3 have written a letter to help an old man transform his dull tine forest into a bright, welcoming forest. Well done year3!

Year 4:

This week we have been going Science mad! We used tuning forks to hear and SEE vibrations in different materials and then made our very own cup telephones.

**Year 5:**

We have been writing our travel guides and have explored using imaginative language. We also had our first wheelchair basketball session! We all learnt about inclusion in sport and got to practise a new sport. We're looking forward to our next session next Monday.

Year 6:

Year 6 has been working incredibly hard! We have enjoyed recapping our knowledge of shapes. The class built 3D shapes and calculated their volume; drew circles with chalk and labelled the different parts; and identified parallel and perpendicular lines within polygons. Keep it up Year 6!

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
Seline	Selasi	D'Neisha	Chloe	Dennikye	Sara

Tip for keeping pupils safe online (taken from [saferinternet.org.uk](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk))

It is really important that pupils do not share passwords.
Please encourage your children to keep them private and, if they need them reset, to let appropriate adults know.

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)

Keeping Children Safe Online

Get help and support

There are lots of organisations who work to support families and children. Visit childnet.com/get-help if you're worried about an online concern.

NSPCC 0808 800 5000
nspcc.org.uk
Free support and advice for adults concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child.

 **family lives** 0808 800 2222
familylives.org.uk
Free support and advice on any aspect of parenting and family life.

YOUNGMINDS 0808 802 5544
fighting for young people's mental health
youngminds.org.uk
Free support and advice on how to support young people's mental health and wellbeing.

Helplines for children & young people

childline 0800 11 11
childline.org.uk
Providing help and support for under 18s.

THE MIX 0808 808 4994
themix.org.uk
Providing help and support for 13-25 year olds.

 @childnet

 @childnetinternational

 **Childnet**

Pupil Attendance and Punctuality

As a school it is really important that we keep accurate records of the children's attendance and punctuality. If your child is unwell, or will be absent from school for any reason, please telephone the school office and speak to Ms Janiece to report the absence. Alternatively you can email on: admin@st-matthias.hackney.sch.uk

It is important that we have this information by 9:00 am at the latest.

Family Support Drop-in



All welcome!

Need help or advice
with housing?

Fussy
Eating

Want to talk to someone
about parenting?

Citizens Advice
Bureau (CAB)

Advice or help with finding
child care?

Come and meet Farin and Dionne
for a chat and advice.

*Every fortnight Wednesday starting
from 24th April 2024 at the
Community room 3.15 to 3.45pm*



Farin Fanifosi
Family Support Worker
Contact: 07510 378 412



Dionne Collins
Family Support Worker

 Hackney

Helplines to Support Wellbeing and Mental Health

The logo for Samaritans, featuring the word "SAMARITANS" in white capital letters on a green rectangular background.

To talk about anything that is upsetting you, you can contact Samaritans 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. You can call 116 123 (free from any phone), email jo@samaritans.org or visit some branches in person.

The logo for The Mix, featuring the words "THE MIX" in large, colorful, block letters (yellow, red, blue, pink, yellow, blue) with the tagline "Essential support for under 25s" in smaller black text below.

If you're under 25, you can call The Mix on 0808 808 4994 (3pm–midnight every day), request support by email [using this form on The Mix website](#) or [use their crisis text messenger service](#).

The logo for SANE, featuring a stylized blue line drawing of a person's head and shoulders above the word "SANE" in bold red capital letters.





















If you're experiencing a mental health problem or supporting someone else, you can call SANEline on 0300 304 7000 (4.30pm–10pm every day).

The logo for Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM), featuring the words "CAMPAIGN AGAINST LIVING MISERABLY" in bold black capital letters on a white background with a black shadow effect.

Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM). You can call the [CALM](#) on 0800 58 58 58 (5pm–midnight every day) if you are struggling and need to talk. Or if you prefer not to speak on the phone, you could try the [CALM webchat service](#).

Zones of Regulation

We use Zones of Regulation across the school to support us to articulate our feelings. We encourage all parents and carers to use the language of zones at home too:

 Green Zone	 Yellow Zone						
 happy	 calm	 good	 ready to learn	 excited	 silly	 confused	 worried
 Blue Zone	 Red Zone						
 sick	 sad	 bored	 tired	 mad	 angry	 terrified	 furious