

St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter

My Identity My World My Voice My Future



Know who they are Ask questions about the world around them Use their voices to make a difference Aspire to greatness

Friday 6th March



World Book Day

We have celebrated a wonderful World Book Day with a range of fun and engaging activities. We kicked it off with an exciting assembly that gave the children a 'Get Caught Reading' challenge - finding as many different places to read as they could.

Throughout the day, teachers also participated in a 'Where's Wally?' game that the children loved - please ask your child how many of us they've been able to find.

Every child was able to go to the book shop with their WBD voucher and get their very own books!



Important dates:

Wednesday

Year 4 Trip Butterfield Green - Outdoor Learning 1:30-3:30



Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April
Easter Holidays



Monday 13th April

Summer 1 Term Starts
ALL CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL!



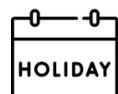
Monday 4th May
Bank Holiday

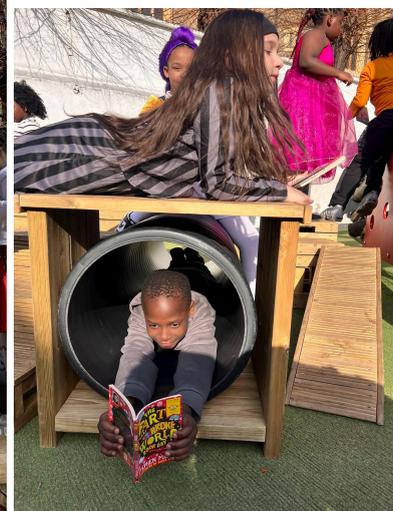


Saturday 16th May
Hackney Run School Challenge!



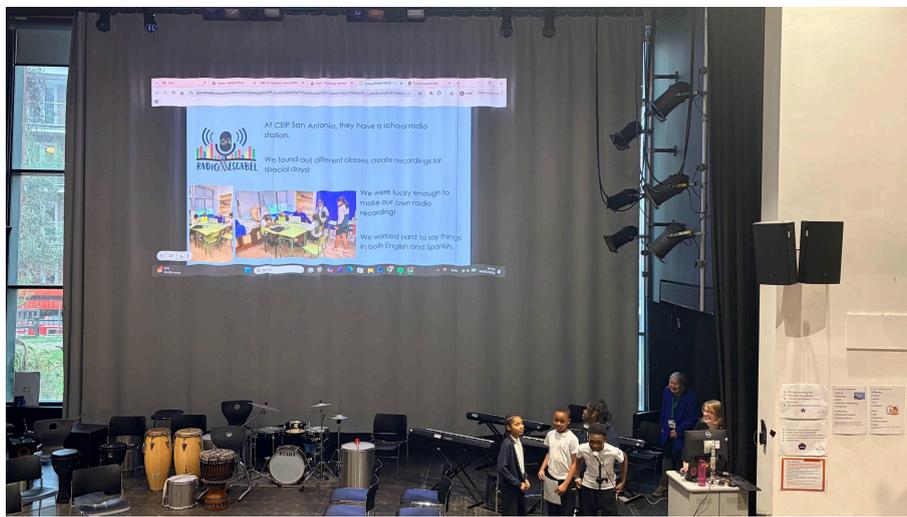
Monday 25th - Friday 29th May
Half Term





Reading Champions Celebration

Our amazing Reading Champions were invited to The Bridge Academy for a special celebration event where all of the children presented on their Tenerife trip and the impact it has made on them. We were very brave to stand up in front of so many parents and teachers and were well rewarded with some tapas and a special musical performance.



Children's Mental Health Week

Our Wellbeing Ambassadors kicked off Children's Mental Health week with a great and well-planned assembly (all created and designed by them!) that encouraged people to bring even more of a sense of belonging to our school community. It was lovely to hear that people said 'St Matthias is a place that feels like home' and 'I know I belong even though we are all different'.



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

NEW Spring 2 P.E Days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2	Year 1	Year 5	Year 4 Year 6	Year 3 EYFS

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

EYFS:

This week, the Reception class has been very busy with lots of exciting activities. The EYFS children enjoyed recreating the story of *Little Red Riding Hood* through role play and storytelling, helping them to develop their imagination and understanding of the story. They have also been learning about the holy month of Ramadan and discussing why it is important to many people around the world. In addition, the children had great fun celebrating World Book Day by dressing up as their favourite characters and visiting the book shop to choose and buy a book. It has been a wonderful week full of learning, creativity, and celebration.

Year 1:

It has been a busy and exciting week in Year One! In Humanities, the children loved exploring the different layers of the ocean and discovering the weird and wonderful sea creatures that live in each one. In Science, we learned all about amphibians and discussed what makes these animals unique. In English, the children have begun writing the opening and build-up of their own retelling of *Where the Wild Things Are*. They have worked hard to try and include all the writer's knowledge they have been gathering. In Maths, we have continued using First, Then, Now stories to solve addition and subtraction problems, including finding missing numbers. World Book Day was amazing fun! The children enjoyed choosing their own book at the bookshop, reading in the playground, welcoming a special author visit from Ruth Parkinson, and presenting to the class about their favourite book characters. In Music, the children have started their new theme of *Fairytales*, where they have been exploring and discussing different character voices. It has been a very busy week, and the children have risen brilliantly to the challenge!

Year 2:

Another fantastic week of learning in year 2! We enjoyed World Book Day and our trip to the bookshop. Thank you to the adults that made it possible for us to attend. We have been very busy gathering ideas and planning our stories, inspired by the book *Grandad's Island*, we also learned more about the capital cities of the UK in geography and planned a special meal for our friends and family in RE, inspired by the story of the last supper.

Year 3:

Year 3 have had another fantastic week! In Humanities, we have been learning about how fold mountains are formed. Head over to Class Dojo to see the lesson and find out more about what we discovered. In Writing, we focused on generating ambitious vocabulary, which helped us to write a setting description paragraph and a character description paragraph. Well done, Year 3 keep up the amazing work!

Year 4:

Year 4 have had another great week. In writing we have been thinking about twisted endings for our fairytales. In maths we have been working very hard at plotting coordinates on a quadrant and directing our partners as well. In Humanities we looked at the different types of migrants and what the push and pull factors are for moving country. We had a fantastic time at forest school working on our collaboration skills. We had even more fun during World Book Day finding interesting places to read and going to the book shop.

Year 5 Faith:

Year 5 have had an amazing week. They have been really engaged in their writing, as they have explored the main character in the text through roleplay. Within maths lessons we have been looking at converting units of measure, using their knowledge of place value to solve word problems. In reading we have immersed ourselves into our text 'Holes', which they have really enjoyed and have been using their inference and prediction skills to successfully answer

Year 5 Hope

Year 5 Hope have had a brilliant week! They have been exploring characters through role play in writing and have produced some brilliant atmosphere descriptions. In science they have been learning about reversible changes and explored this through using ice, salt and milk to make ice cream. They saw how a liquid was frozen to a solid, then melted back to a liquid again. In maths they have been applying their knowledge of multiplying by

Year 6

Year 6 had a fantastic week of learning and celebration! For World Book Day, pupils enjoyed reading stories in fun places around the playground, bringing books to life in creative ways. They also shared and discussed an exciting extract called *Dragonborn*, which sparked lots of curiosity and imagination. In Science, the class explored plant adaptation, learning how different plants survive and thrive in their environments. During RE, pupils thought deeply about the meaning of Easter, discussing its importance and what it represents to different people. It has been a wonderful week full of reading, discovery, and thoughtful learning across the curriculum.

questions. In science we explored the meaning of filtering through a variety of investigations, they were able to make their own filter and see how successful it was in filtering different household products. Well done year 5 you have been working extremely hard this week!

10,100 and 1000 to convert between units of measure. We have been continuing to learn about lent in RE, with a specific focus on Palm Sunday this week.

Hot chocolate Friday!

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



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 Hope	Year 5 Faith	Year 6
Jayveer	Maasai	Huzaiifa	Stan	Khloe	Elif	Asmin	Artem

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:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5 Hope	Year 5 Faith	Year 6
Sem	Iz'rail	Valentina	Bleu	Sydney	Kayden	Ruzgar	Kabir

REIMAGINING OPPORTUNITIES SINCE 2006

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SCAN TO BOOK YOUR BADU CLASS

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 Blewett) or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Ms Frohock, Ms Cherid or Ms Janiece).



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