



Matthew's C.E (Aided) Primary School and Nursery Centre



'I can do all things because Christ gives me strength' Philippians 4:13

Friday Feature: 22nd September 2023

This half-term we are focusing on the Christian Value of Generosity

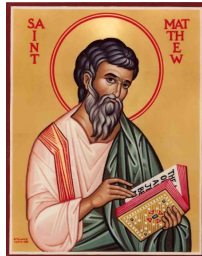
'God loves a cheerful giver' 2 Corinthians 9.7



Dear Parents/Carers

On Thursday 21st September we celebrated St. Matthew's Day with the whole school taking part. Year 6 went on a pilgrimage to St. Matthew's church. St Matthew is named in the New Testament as one of the twelve apostles of Jesus.

'Matthew is the patron saint of bankers, because he dealt with money as a tax collector. But anyone who reads Matthew's Gospel knows that money was not important to him. What was important was believing in and living as a follower of Christ. Matthew helps us to remember that it is our faith in Jesus that makes us truly rich.'



We had our first Celebration Worship today with two children from each class being chosen as Pupils of the Week. Please see below for each of the classes and their nominations

Reminder:

Macmillan Cake Day is on the 29th September –please see the timetable for each class attached. Please note the change of time for RNJ class which is now at the end of the day with Nursery. Please come to the Nursery gate. We look forward to seeing you next week.

If you wish to discuss anything on the Friday Feature please contact the school office on 01952 386260 or a3358@taw.org.uk.

Homework

Children are given homework to complete each week. Please check with your child what is expected of them. All homework follows on from work in class, so we would appreciate you supporting your child to complete this.

For children completing their homework they will receive a TEAM point. If children in Years 5 and 6 do not bring their homework in on time they will be asked to complete it at break or lunchtime. We are introducing this policy to help children in Year 5 and 6 as they move towards secondary school. We would welcome your support with this.

Trim Trail and Outdoor Gym

Please ask your children not to play on any equipment on the way to school or on the way home. This is to avoid any accidents that might happen when children are unsupervised. Thank you

Mrs Mills

Weekly prayer

Our prayer this week has been written by Class 6 St Padre



“Help us to be generous to other people by not only helping them with gifts and money but also our time.

Help us to think of the struggles of other people and to give them support when they need it.

Give us strength to put others before ourselves. Amen”

Future dates/events

29.9.23 : Macmillan Cake Day

13.10.23: Children will ‘walk a mile ‘for Breast Cancer in school. Donation of £1

27.10.23 : PD Day

30.10.23 to 3.11.23 – Half Term

22.12.23 – PD Day

25.12.23 to 9.1.24 – Christmas Break

Commando Joe

Monday – Service - Brandon

Tuesday – Perseverance - Bonnie

Wednesday – Trust - Leo

Thursday – Respect - Ben

Friday – Justice - Kweku

Minecraft of the Week - Chidera

Applying for a Reception or Year 7 School Place

The portal is now open for parents to apply for a school place in either Reception or Year 7 for September 2024.

The closing date for Reception places (born between 1.9.19 and 31.8.20) is the 15th January 2024.

The closing date for Year 7 places (born between 1.9.12 and 31.8.13) is the 31st October 2023.

More information on applying for a place can be found on the Telford and Wrekin website.

PE days

Mrs Jenkins	Friday – Thursday Forest Schools
Miss Jeffreys	Tuesday and Monday
Miss Plant	Tuesday and Friday
Miss Blocksidge	Wednesday and Monday
Miss Hawthorn	Thursday and Friday
Mrs Wyre	Wednesday and Thursday
Mrs Barfield	Monday and Thursday
Mrs Hulme	Monday and Thursday
Mr Bailey	Wednesday and Thursday
Nursery	Thursdays—Forest Schools

For PE days please send children into school wearing trainers suitable for engaging in sports outside. Converse or canvas trainers are not suitable as they get very wet in the rain. We want to make sure all the children are safe and comfortable when taking part in PE and the weather is very variable at the moment.

We appreciate your help with this.



Well Done

Well done to Chloe for taking part in the Ready, Set Read competition. And Well done to Reece who achieved his 25 metres swimming.



Year 6 Pilgrimage

Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their pilgrimage to St. Matthew's Church learning about how it is a journey of personal growth and exploration in relation to God. To begin our journey, we shared a prayer and a blessing before walking across to the church with several children holding our school St. Matthew's banner. As a class, we listened to the story of St. Matthew's within the church itself and how he developed his relationship with God. Once we had left the church, we walked back to school listening to the music associated with St. Matthew, 'Bach's St. Matthew Passion' before having our final prayer and blessing by representatives from the church.



Pupils of the Week

Reception St Francis

Izla-Rose and Ethan

R1 St Teresa

Paisley and Arlo

12 St Nicholas

Mila and Ruari

2 St Joseph

Arabella and Cole

3 St Cecilia

Oscar and Ben

34 St Sophia

Amelia and Logan

45 St Kateri

Lola and Emmie

56 St Thomas

Blake and Jemma

6 St Padre

Jack and Imogen

