



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: 17th November 2023

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

'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.' Colossians 3:12



Please find attached the home school information relating to our value of this half-term: Compassion.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had a great week, ending with Children in Need. Thank you for supporting this charity—the children all looked amazing this morning. Please see all the photo's at the end of the Feature.

The Christmas productions and service dates are at the end of the Feature in the Future Dates/Events section—please take a look.



Anti-Bullying Week



This week we have had Anti-Bullying Week with the main focus on 'Make A Noise.'

We have been encouraging children to speak out, respect each other and be kind. Children have worked on how to be a good friend and how to treat others. Our Safeguarding and Well-Being Board is made up of children and they have been wearing their hoodies out at playtime and lunchtime so that the children know who they can speak to. This group support and help children and are the voice for peers. Peer mentors have also been out on the KS1 playground.

Weekly prayer



Our Heavenly Father, who art in heaven, please guide and teach us as you answer our prayers.

Thank you for the food that you provide us with, and help us to understand your teachings.

Thank you for protecting us from evil spirits that try to possess us.

Thank you for the night and darkness that you bring into our world.

Help us to follow the footsteps of the good Samaritan by loving our neighbours as we love ourselves.

In the mighty name of Jesus we pray.

Amen—by 56LW

Sensei's Commando of the Week

Compassion Emily Jayne

Courage Victoria and Elijah

Generosity Kenan

Friendship Favour

Minecrafters of the week Francis, Kenzo and Ruby

Applying for a Reception School Place

The portal is now open for parents to apply for a reception school place in September 2024.

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

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

Future dates/events

28.11.23—Flu vaccination

11.12.23— 2pm Nursery and Reception class Christmas performance

12.12.23—9.30am—Nursery and Reception class Christmas performance

14.12.23—2pm KS1 Christmas Performance

15.12.23—9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance

18.12.23—2pm KS2 Christmas Concert

19.12.23—9.30am KS2 Christmas Performance

20.12.23—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day

22.12.23 – PD Day

Pupils of the Week and Readers of the Week



		Readers
Reception :St Francis	Laylani and Robin	Gurkira
R/1: St Teresa	Willow and Scarlett	Olivia L
1/2: St Nicholas	Rowen and Nuriyah	Alice H
2: St Joseph	Ala and Luna	Shyla
3: St Cecilia	Leo and Isaac	Baqir
3/4: St Sophia	Kayden and Vicky	Affino
4/5: St Kateri	Joel and Emily Jayne	Emily H
5/6: St Thomas	Nana Yaw and Liberty	Nana Yaw
6: St Padre	Riley and Mason	Lilah-Rose

Well Done

Well done to Liberty, Imogen and Macie-Rae for their gymnastics.

Liberty's team came first in advance under 9 girls and Liberty came overall 1st in the category

Imogen's team came 1st over all in intermediate under 11 mixed groups

It was Macie-Rae's 2nd competition and she did amazingly too.

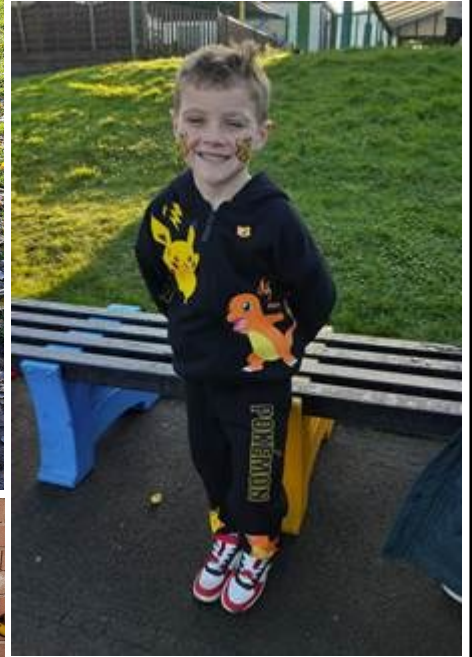


Well Done

Well done to Gia who donated 13 inches of her hair to the Princess Trust!



More Children in Need



Well Done

Well done to Antonia who received a certificate of achievement for an amazing first class in Karate 😊 Great work Antonia



Mrs Barfield

On December 16th Mrs Barfield will be shaving her hair off to raise money for the Lingen Davies Cancer Fund where she received treatment for breast cancer. Alongside the sponsored head shave, she is also raising extra funds through a raffle. Tickets cost £5 to be in with the chance of winning the following prizes:

- Warped Sports paintball (Cosford) whole day including lunch for 10 people!
- Go Ape Cannock tickets for 2 guests!
- Hollywood Bowl x 2 lots of 4 tickets!
- Tickets to the Snowdome in Tamworth
- £50 voucher to spend at The Crown Pattingham!
- Family ticket to Hawkstone Park follies!
- Family ticket to Jungle Boogie (Codsall)!
- Family ticket for the Telford steam railway!
- Family ticket to Wonderland Telford!
- Afternoon tea for two at Park House Hotel, Shifnal Park House!
- Family ticket to Attingham park!
- Entry for 2 to West Midlands Safari Park!
- family ticket to Exotic Zoo Telford!
- 6 general admission tickets to Monmore Green dog racing!
- 2 childrens tickets to Dudley Zoo!
- Family ticket to Majestic Cinema Bridgnorth!
- Cream tea for 2 at Halfpenny Green Vineyard!
- £20 voucher to use at Lytchgate Coffee shop Pattingham!
- Bottle of wine from Pattingham Vineyard!
- Christmas cake!
- Booze hamper!
- Chocolate hamper!
- candle hamper!

Tickets are £5 per ticket. These can be purchased by donating the £5 straight to Mrs Barfield's JustGiving page and then emailing her (jessie.barfield@taw.org.uk) with your mobile [number](#) or [by sending money in an envelope to school](#) marked Mrs Barfield's Fundraiser with your name and mobile number included.

If you don't wish to buy a raffle ticket but would like to sponsor Mrs Barfield as she 'braves the shave', sponsorship money can also be directly donated to the JustGiving page.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/jessica-barfield-1694464878666?newPage=true> or scan the QR code on the attached poster.

For anti-bullying week the children in Mrs Hulme's class have been reading the "Power of Good" and discussing kindness, caring and friendship.

Power for Good

I take a deep breath; my heart feels a flutter,
My hands are all clammy; I stumble, I stutter.
I feel like I'm shaking; I hope no one sees,
I try to move forward, I feel my legs freeze.
I feel like they're watching; all eyes are on me,
I just want to run as fast as can be.

The whispering, murmuring, make it all stop,
Hushed whispers surround me; I hear a pen drop.
But just a tear descends down my cheek,
A young boy ambles over; starting to speak,
"You must be Ryan, come on follow me,
You are in my group; in Oak class, Year Three."

The boy was Jamal, he lives on my street,
His clothes were all messy; scuffed shoes on his feet,
His hair wasn't brushed and his teeth were not clean,
But his eyes had a kindness like nothing I'd seen.
He helped find my coat peg, my locker, my table,
He chatted away quietly as I wasn't able.

"Quiet down, children!" The teacher is here,
The children gaze eagerly, Jamal sits down near,
The teacher smiles kindly, "You must be Ryan,"
She had purple spectacles and hair like a lion.
The nerves and the fear that had sprang from my head,
All dissolved that fine morning; there's nothing to dread.

For the power of friendship, makes you feel you have wings,
Makes you feel you can do the most wonderful things,
Someone to help you; get you on your way,
Someone to listen to everything you say,
So embrace our uniqueness; help someone, you should,
As it makes them feel special; gives you power for good.

