



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: 1st December 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



Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a cold week! Can we please remind children to come into school with a coat each day and gloves and hat if they have them. We want them wrapped up warm at playtimes and lunchtimes.

Next week we are having a movie night for all children in Reception to Year 6. The staff wanted to do something special for the children and so they are staying late to run the event. There will be popcorn available. Please complete a form at the school office. It will be great to get the children together for a fun social event.

Our School Christmas tree is now up!



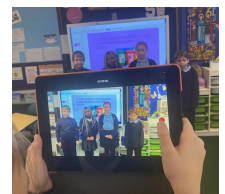
Christmas Card Post Box

If your child would like to send Christmas cards to their friends (or staff!!) we kindly ask that they clearly write the recipients full name and **class** on the envelope, please. This ensures that all cards are delivered to the correct person.

No Pens Day

On Monday 27th November we held our 'No Pens Day' which went really well. The children spent time talking and discussing, with no writing! It was an amazing day enjoyed by staff and children.

Mrs Wyre's class created a podcast to convince people to reduce, reuse and recycle. They used the ipads to record a presentation where they spoke about the issues concerned. Everybody spoke clearly and confidently and it was great fun watching them back!



Weekly prayer



Father God

Help us to be generous and to be kind,

Help us to care with kindness and show empathy to other people.

Thank you for creating us and thank you for your creations

Follow our Three R's

Amen

Sensei's Commando of the Week

Service	Lola
Courage	Macie-Rae
Generosity	Ivy Lu, Jethro and Yaw
Friendship	Francis and Safire
Truthfulness	Darcey and Isabella
Minecrafters of the week	Francis and Gia

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

- 5.12.23—Years 3 and 4—Experience Church
- 6.12.23—Movie Night—Reception to Year 6—3.30pm to 5pm
- 11.12.23— 2pm Nursery and Reception class Christmas performance
- 12.12.23—9.30am—Nursery and Reception class Christmas performance
- 13.12.23—5.30pm Carols by Candlelight
- 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 Concert
- 20.12.23—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day
- 22.12.23 – PD Day
- 25.12.23 to 5.1.24 – Christmas Break
- 12.1.24—Year 6 Height and Weight check

Pupils of the Week and Readers of the Week



		Readers
Reception :St Francis	Patrick and Solaira	George
R/1: St Teresa	Olivia and Lucie	Freddie
1/2: St Nicholas	Taiah and Jacob	Kaliyah
2: St Joseph	Lucas and Aaliyah	Abdul
3: St Cecilia	Antonia and Skyla	Stanley
3/4: St Sophia	Macie-Rae and Amelia J	Roxy
4/5: St Kateri	Lola and Max	Emily Jayne
5/6: St Thomas	Gia and Alexander	Violet
6: St Padre	Chidera and Stivan	Imogen

As the weather has turned colder, can we please ask that children are dressed accordingly. As we see an increase in hats, gloves and scarves, can we kindly ask that ALL items are clearly named. There is nothing worse than a lonely glove!



Christmas Tombola and 50/50 Raffle

This year, thanks to a kind donation by Toys Gifts Telford we are running a Christmas Tombola. Tickets are £1 each. There are lots of prizes, from jigsaws and colouring books to santa hats and craft kits.

Tickets available from the school office and all profits will go to School Funds.

We will also be running a 50/50 raffle—which will be drawn on the last day of term.

These tickets cost £1 each and winner will receive 50% of the proceeds, with the other 50% going to School Fund.

Thank you for your support



We appreciate that as we are entering the festive period, some families can find the season extremely difficult. If you require support, advice or guidance to get through this time please contact Telford Crisis Support team [01952 586646](tel:01952 586646).

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.