

Friday Feature NEWSLETTER



Week of 14th to 18th September 2026

This half term's value:
Thankfulness

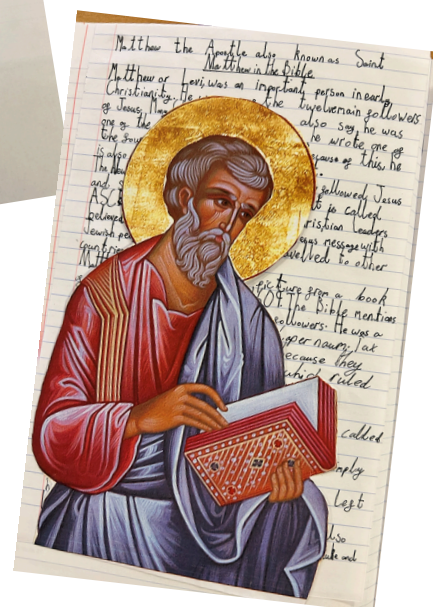
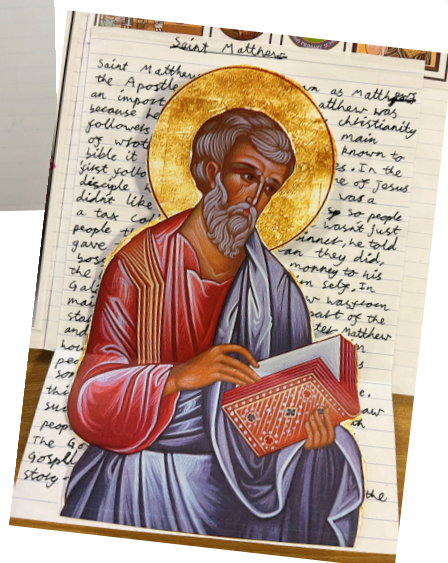


St Matthew's Day - 21.09.26

On Monday 21st September we celebrated St Matthew's Day. On this day we gave thanks to St Matthew and remembered how important he was to his friend, Jesus. We had lots of activities around school which gave praise to St Matthew. It was also International Day of Peace and this year's theme was 'Actions for Peace'. We asked St Matthew to guide us and help us to bring peace to the world around us.

We learnt:

- St Matthew was one of the twelve followers of Jesus.
- St Matthew was the first follower.
- The gospel says that Matthew was from Galilee.
- As a tax collector, Matthew would have been able to read and write.
- The new testament tells us that Matthew followed Jesus and saw him go up to heaven.



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Yr6 Pilgrimage

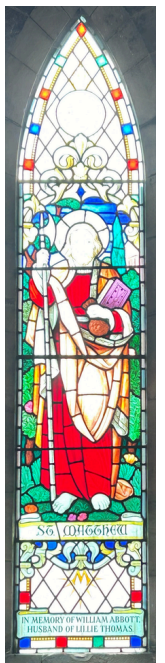
On Monday the 21st of Septemebr Year 6 went on a pilgrimage to St Matthew's Church.

What does the term 'pilgrimage' mean?

A pilgrimage is often used to describe an individual's journey through life that is sometime a sign of personal growth and exploration. Within religion, it is believed to end with an encounter with God.

How did the pilgrimage go?

First, we went onto the playground and prayed. Shortly after that, our class went on a journey to church. But before we went inside, we prayed again to be holy. Reverend Tom led us in and we learned about St Matthew. **St Matthew was a sinful taxpayer who stole items and gave it to the Romans. But Jesus forgave him and St Matthew became the first follower.**



Applying for Reception and Year 7 Places

Applying for Reception places and Year 7 Places for September 2027

Applications for Reception places and Year 7 places to start in September 2027 are now being taken by Telford and Wrekin Council. School admissions - Telford & Wrekin Council
Children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 will start primary school from September 2027. Parents need to apply for a reception place by 15 January 2027. Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) must apply by 31 October 2026.

Children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 will start secondary school from September 2027. Parents need to apply for a Year 7 place by 31 October 2026.

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Creative Canopy

This week saw the opening of our new lunchtime art area. Over the course of the week all year groups have been given the opportunity to participate in an art activity linked to the theme of Autumn. This week we have been creating art work based on Autumn leaves.



Macmillan Cake Day - 25.09.26



On Friday we celebrated Macmillan Coffee Day. We would like to thank all parents for their support with this event. Together we raised..."to be confirmed next week"



Pupils of the Week

Nursery	Freyah
R St Francis	Connie
1: St Teresa	Knox
2: St Joseph MS	Daniel H
2: St Joseph OS	Nevra
3: St Cecilia	Sienna
4: St Kateri	Sheriff
5: St Thomas	Jaida
6 : St Padre	Ruby B



Prayer of the Week

Our Thank You Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for the sun and the sky,
For birds that sing and clouds up high,
Thank you for my food and home,
And for the places I can roam.
Most of all, thank you today,
For those who love me every day.

Amen.



Weekly Attendance

This week the attendance award has gone to : **St Joseph OS**

1st	St Joseph Yr2 OS	97.7%
2nd	St Padre Yr6	96.3%
3rd	St Teresa Yr1	96%
4th	St Kateri Yr4	95.1%
5th	St Joseph Yr 2 MAS	93.8%
6th	St Cecilia Yr 3	93.6%
7th	St Thomas Yr5	92.8%
8th	St Francis R	86.6%



Headlice

Unfortunately we have had reports that some pesky visitors have arrived in school. Could we please ask that you all check your children's hair over the weekend and treat wherever required. We understand the frustration parents have with this however the only way we will erradicate them is if we all work together.



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