



# ST MATTHEW'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Friday Newsletter No. 6

13<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### MENU

The menu for the week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October is Week 1 of the Autumn Term menu. Details are on the website

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### IMPORTANT DATES OCTOBER

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** Nasal flu spray for pupils in Reception to Year 4

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>** Stay & Play for Nursery & Reception parents

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>** 2RH Class worship / 5JP Class worship

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> HALF TERM NOVEMBER

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>** Collection day for Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>** 9am Parent Council meeting

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>** 2RF Class worship

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>** Year 1 trip to Neasden Temple / 2pm

Parent's Utd AGM



### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK.....

**This week the pupils have been thinking about friendship and reconciliation**

Relationships and family are the most important part of our lives and all of us at one time or another, have had endured a separation from a friend or family member caused by an argument.

The Bible has many stories of reconciliation, including Jacob and his twin brother, Esau, who became separated over Esau's birthright but were subsequently reconciled. The popular story of Joseph illustrates the power of forgiveness as Joseph forgave his father and his brothers for the evil they had done to him.

As Christians, we are taught to always seek reconciliation with friends and family even if it isn't our fault.

In Colossians 3:13 we read, 'Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.'



We have welcomed the following pupils to St Matthew's this week;

**Year 1:** Jeremy, Jonathan

**Year 4:** Mavis

### **NURSERY AND RECEPTION PHONICS WORKSHOP / STAY & PLAY**

Please don't forget to sign up for the Phonics Workshop and Stay & Play session on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October.

The timings are as follows:

**NAM and RKT:** 9:45 – 11:15

**NPM and RMM:** 1:30 - 3:00

### **MESSAGE FOR YEAR 1 PARENTS**

Please could we ask all Year 1 parents to check that they have returned their child's reading books from their Reception class. The majority have been returned but there are still a large number outstanding. Thank you.

### **PARENT COUNCIL**

The first Parent Council meeting of the year will take place in school at 9am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. All parents & carers are welcome.

### **PARENTS UNITED AGM PARENTS NEEDED!**

It would be great to see some new faces at the Parents Utd AGM at 2pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Come along and see what you can do to help the school!

#### **Second Hand uniform**

Just a reminder that you can purchase second-hand uniform from a member of Parents Utd or leave your details at the school office.

### **YEAR 6 PGL RESIDENTIAL TRIP FEBRUARY 2018**

There are still places available on next year's PGL trip for Year 6 pupils to Little Canada on the Isle of Wight. Please call in at the school office for more details. We would require a non-refundable deposit of £50 to be paid to secure the place by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

### **CLASS WORSHIP DATES KS1 CLASSES**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2RH

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2RF

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 1TH

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 1RD

Worship starts at 9am in Key Stage 2 hall

### **KS2 CLASSES**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 5JP

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 4CP

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 5MN

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 3NM

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 3EC

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 6LB

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 4SB

The gate will open at 2.45pm for Worship to start at 2.50pm in Key Stage 2 hall.

### **SCHOOL CHOIR**

We have good news that the school choir will be starting their rehearsals after half term and Mrs Bennell would like to see as many pupils as possible from Years 1-6 on Wednesday lunchtimes in the library.

Timings are; 12.00-12.30 for Years 1 & 2, 12.40-1.10 for Years 3-6.

The choir will be practising for the Pavilion's Carol Concert this year on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December and will also be singing in some local Christmas community events.

## TIME FOR CHRISTMAS!

St Matthew's Church and School are supporting Operation Christmas Child once again this year. This is the world's largest Christmas project which has been running since 1992 and, in the past, our families have been very generous in their support. It is so important that children realise the importance of giving as part of Christmas, and we would be grateful for any families who would like to take part in this project. The children will need a shoe box, wrap it in Christmas paper and then place some gifts in for a child to receive. The gifts can include:

- Stationery items – pencils, pens, paper, colouring books, stamps & ink pad sets
- Toys – harmonica, ball, yoyo, small puzzle, skipping rope
- Hygiene items – toothpaste, toothbrush, flannel, soap, comb
- Other items – hat, scarf, gloves, sunglasses, hair accessories, wind up torch, wrapped sweets

Please bring your shoe box into class the first week after half term as they will be taken into Church on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**.



To enable this project to be viable, the charity asks for a donation of **£5.00** per box to cover administration and transportation. Please can this not be sealed inside the box as the money will need to be given separately.

More information about the charity can be found at:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

## MERIT AND ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who were presented with Merit Awards this week:

<b>1TH</b>	Jonathan M	<b>1RD</b>	Amelia J-S
<b>2RF</b>	Victoria A	<b>2RH</b>	Ruby P
<b>3EC</b>	Sara K	<b>3NM</b>	Maliki H-F
<b>4CP</b>	Sania H	<b>4SB</b>	Lukas R
<b>5MN</b>	Summer P	<b>5JP</b>	Livinia S
<b>6ES</b>	Kyle N	<b>6LB</b>	Liberty O

3EC won the attendance award this week with 99.3% attendance but very close behind with 99% attendance was 4CP. Well done to both classes!

### School Matters!



Only one class, 3EC, had everyone arrive on time last week. Congratulations to those pupils but let's see whether other classes can do the same for next week's award.

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## HALF-TERM STREET DANCE FUNDAY

FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 6



TUESDAY 24TH  
OCTOBER 2017



ST MARTIN'S PRIMARY  
SCHOOL, ROWAN ROAD,  
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## HALF-TERM DODGEBALL & MULTI-SPORT FUNWEEK!

FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 6



MONDAY 23RD  
OCTOBER TO  
FRIDAY 27TH  
OCTOBER 2017



COWLEY ST LAURENCE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
WORCESTER ROAD,  
COWLEY, UB3 3TH

9AM TO 3PM

COST:

FULL WEEK  
= £60  
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