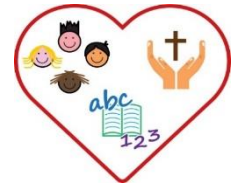


St. Matthew's C.E. Primary School

"Be blessed by God, be happy and aspire to be..."



NEWSLETTER – June 21st 2021

The values we are considering this half term are **RESPECT** (one of our school values) and **TRUTHFULNESS**.

<p>★ Star of the week! ★</p> <p>Reception Saad & Halima Year 1 Siraaj & Nell Year 2 Alveena & Hamza Year 3 Sofia & Affan Year 4 Stefan & Zakaria Year 5 Kyle & Luke Year 6 Hira & Abdurrahman</p>	<p>★ Values Award ★</p> <p>Reception Raisa & Robert Year 1 Romeo & Safa Year 2 Hamza & Rebeca Year 3 Azmat & Abubakr Year 4 Hussain & Abdul Year 5 Jakub & all 5B Year 6 Kayden & Matthew</p>	<p>★ Best attendance: ★ Year 6</p> <p>Best punctuality: Year 5</p>																					
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<p>KS2 Maths Challenge! This week the children were challenged to work out the difference in population between England & Croatia. (The answer is 51.125 million!)</p>		<p>Maryam in 5B correctly worked out the answer.</p>																					

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we watch the news and see that the Delta variant is very much present in our city and I hear of other local schools having to close bubbles due to positive cases, please can I urge you to remain vigilant and if your child displays any symptoms however mild to get tested!

Hopefully you will have seen via Class Dojo that there are mobile vaccination units in the area, all the evidence does appear to point towards being vaccinated really protecting you well so do get yours as soon as you can!

Very best wishes,

Mr Mackley

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Mayor of Preston Award



We are delighted to announce that we have received a letter informing us that we have been awarded the Mayor of Preston's Coronavirus Pandemic City Hero Award! This is an amazing honour that we and several other organisations across our city have been given. We are hoping that, Covid restrictions permitting, the Mayor will be able to visit us at school to meet us and learn more of what we do.

Our City's mayor is also a councillor for the St Matthew's Ward so it's a special honour!

(Click on the image to go to the Mayor's webpage.)

Cycling Safety

Just a reminder that children who ride to and from school really ought to wear a helmet for protection. We do not want anyone suffering serious injury should they have an accident.

Also, for everyone's safety, bikes and scooters should not be ridden through the gates but slowly pushed into the area.

(Click on the image to visit a website with lots of useful safety advice)



New telephone system

We have recently had our phone system upgraded and wish to inform you that we are now able to record our calls for training purposes.

You shouldn't notice any difference in calling into school, the menu of options remains the same.

Verbal Abuse towards Staff

We are very pleased to have positive relationships with the vast majority of our school families. From time to time things don't always go as smoothly as we would all hope; on those occasions we really appreciate the supportive manner in which we are able to engage with you in resolving these.

Sadly, I have been made aware that last Friday someone was overheard to use abusive language towards a member of staff who was carrying out their duties. I am really disappointed that this has happened and know it is not reflective of the behaviour of the vast majority of our families. If necessary, I will not hesitate to take action against anyone who behaves in such a manner towards school staff.

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Prayer

We continue to look at truth & truthfulness and respect in our worships in school.

This is the prayer from our [worship on respect last week](#):

Dear God

Thankyou that you value each one of us.

Please help us to treat others with respect.

Help us to embrace differences between us.

Help us to love others, even if they are very different from us.

Help us to see the value in each individual person just as you do.

Help us treat one another the way we want to be treated.

Help us to talk to one another the way we want to be talked to.

Help us to show respect to others and our school property.

Help us to earn the respect of others.

Amen.

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