

St. Matthew's C.E. Primary School & Nursery

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



NEWSLETTER – 15th March 2021

Our Values this half term are: **Justice** and **Community**

★ Stars of the Week ★

Reception – Aaron & Baksheesh
Year 1 – Millie & Zoya
Year 2 – Inaaya & Damian
Year 3 – Halima & Kuba
Year 4 – Hussain & Aisha
Year 5 – Ayshin & Ahmed
Year 6 – Ethan & Oliver

100% attendance last week – 6S, well done everyone!

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was great to welcome all the children back into school last week and to see how quickly they settled back in to their familiar routines again. School has once again got the children back where they belong meaning we have taken another step towards some sense of normality once again.

Can I please, once again, remind people to wear a mask when they come to school (unless you are exempt) and to continue to keep your 2m distance from each other so that we are not putting anyone at risk and we do not have to close any bubbles. Thank you.

Don't forget to keep an eye on Class Dojo for up to date announcements of things happening in school. Have you seen Mr Chagas' video celebrating the children who have demonstrated 'Ready to Learn' behaviours last week? Please do go and have a look!

If you are reading this newsletter electronically, all the pictures have hyperlinks to different websites, please click them for more information ☺

Take care, stay safe and keep following the Covid rules!

Mr Mackley

Parental Survey

Many thanks to everyone who has responded to this so far, we have had a great response and overwhelmingly positive responses too! We will look at all the responses carefully and bear them in mind as we continue to work to develop our school and move forwards. As always, if you like what we do, please tell others and if there is a problem please talk to us ☺

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Reading

We had World Book Day the other week and we just want to remind and encourage everyone of the importance and power of reading! Reading is a skill that we use every day of our lives and the more practice that children can get at home, the better!

Fundraising:



The Easter Egg Raffle

Numbers are on sale for 20p each from your child's class teacher. Numbers will be then put into a draw to win an Easter Egg, this will be drawn on 26th March. There are lots of Eggs to win, all of which have kindly been donated by our staff team. All money raised will go to our PTFA!

Comic Relief!

This coming Friday, 19th March, sees the return of Comic Relief day for 2021. This is always a day of fun as well as fundraising and fits in really well with our value of Justice this half term. It's a wacky day in school so wear odd socks, do something with your hair or even wear your clothes back to front! To spread the happiness, children can also bring in a suitable joke to share in school. We ask for a donation of 50p per child or £1 per family to go Comic Relief.



School Uniform

It's great to see some of the new jumpers being worn with our new logo! Please remember that trainers are not part of uniform, we know that shopping has been a challenge but if and when you can, please try to get the children in school shoes and not trainers.

Road Safety

Another reminder and plea for people **not** to drive along Derby Square at the beginning and end of the school day, there is a real risk that someone is going to get hurt. Also, please **do not** pull up on the zig-zag markings on the crossing; this is both illegal and dangerous and we will be contacting anyone who we see doing this.



Dates for your diary:

Friday 19th March – Red Nose Day – details to follow from the School Council

Thursday 25th March – Easter Pause Day

Friday 26th March - school closes for holidays. Please note the earlier times:

Reception, Y2, Y4, Y6 finish at 2pm Y1, Y3 & 5 finish at 2.15pm.

Monday 12th April – school re-opens for the Summer term



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