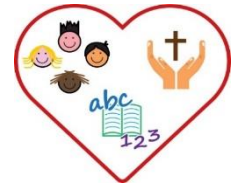


St. Matthew's C.E. Primary School

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



NEWSLETTER – May 4th 2021

★	Stars of the week!	★	★	Values Award	★	★	★
Reception	Areesha & Zaid		Reception	Anabia & Maaz			Best attendance:
Year 1	Kainaat & Farhan		Year 1	Lily & Kayden			Year 1
Year 2	Marwah & Iqra		Year 2	Izzah & Owais			Best punctuality:
Year 3	Khadija & Julia		Year 3	Maaidah & Zakiya			Reception & Year 1
Year 4	Amrit & Ibrahim		Year 4	Muhammed & Aaminah			
Year 5	Lexie & Ayesha		Year 5	Mazama & Kacper			
Year 6	Awais, Sarah & Paulina		Year 6	All 6W & All 6S			

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

Dear Parents/Carers,

For those who, like me, are Star Wars fans can I say 'Happy Star Wars day!' to you all. In case you are not a fan and not sure of the link, it's a play on words "May the 4th be with you..."

Anyway, welcome to this week's newsletter which, as always, we hope you find useful. There's an old saying that I grew up with "April showers bring forth May flowers"; well as I sit and write this newsletter I note that we have had a very dry April and so far May has been very wet! I have noticed several children coming to school without coats in the mornings, please do ensure your child brings a coat to school as we try to get them outside at every breaktime where possible, even if it is raining!

I will be absent from school for the next 2 weeks, I have to have a small, routine procedure and owing to the Covid restrictions I have to isolate before and after! I am still working albeit remotely. In my absence, Mrs Walton is in daily charge of school and is in direct contact with me.

Please do keep in touch and let us know if you are finding the weekly newsletters useful.

Very best wishes,

Mr Mackley

Easing of restrictions

As the country continues to move towards more freedoms, we are looking at how we can implement some of these in school and when would be the appropriate time. For now though, we remain vigilant and are not changing any of our precautions and encourage you all to continue to follow the rules and continue the focus on Hands-Face-Space.



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Building Project

We are still working away in the background to put in place the preparations for the planned building project for this Autumn Term. If you would like to have a look at the plans they can be viewed [here](#).

Something to share!

An update from Y5 on their caterpillars.

They are growing well and have been named Cuthbert, Collin, Clyde, Wiggles and Cecil!

Reception have been looking at the story of The Enormous Turnip and also have some caterpillars growing as well as some very impressive bean plants! 😊



Prayer

Our own school prayer:
O Lord, bless our school,
so that working together and playing together
we may learn to serve you
as we serve one another.
Amen

Dates for your diary:

- 📅 Spring Bank Holiday – Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June
- 📅 PTFA Meeting 15th June, 2pm
- 📅 School Closes for the summer – Friday 16th July.

Governor Meetings:

- 📅 Resources Committee – 10th May
- 📅 Vision & Ethos Committee – 17th May
- 📅 Full Governing Board – 14th June

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Don't forget to visit our school website if you need answers to your questions about school **and** do have a look at some of our worship blogs and leave us a comment!

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Also, if you are one of the very few who are not yet registered for Class Dojo, get in touch with your child's teacher to find out how to get connected!

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