

# 12<sup>th</sup> July Newsletter

**Love      Respect      Friendship      Creativity**



**Let all that you do be done in love 1 Corinthians 16:14**



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another wonderful week at St Matthew's with lots of trips!

Some children went to Boomerang, an indoor activity play area. The children enjoyed playing in the soft furnishings, sliding down some terrific slides and playing in the multi-sensory rooms.

Year 3 went to Chester Zoo on Monday and enjoyed learning about lots of different types of animals, you could tell by the smile on their faces when they arrived back that they had a great time.

Year 2 went to Blackpool Pleasure beach on Wednesday and had a fabulous time making sand castles, paddling in the water and eating fish and chips!

The Dojo winners from each class went on a trip to Moss Bank Park and Smithills Forest School on Thursday, they had a fantastic time and deserved the treat for all their hard work and good behaviour!

It is hard to believe we are in the penultimate week before the Summer holidays and that time has flown by so quickly. We are looking forward to the last week next week!

Mrs Patel

## Important Notice

If you're driving your child to school please make sure you park safely, legally and considerately.

Please do not block the school gate as you are preventing staff from getting to school on time and do not use the garages near school to turn your vehicle around or drop off, this is for local residents.

Please don't park across household driveways near schools and always park safely. We don't want to see anyone hurt.

## Key Dates

### Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – School Closed to pupils – Staff Training Day  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – School Closed to pupils – Staff Training Day

Term Begins - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024  
Half Term - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024  
Term Ends - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – School closes at 1pm

### Spring Term 2025

Term Begins - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025  
Half Term - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025  
Term Ends - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 – School closes at 1pm

### Summer Term 2025

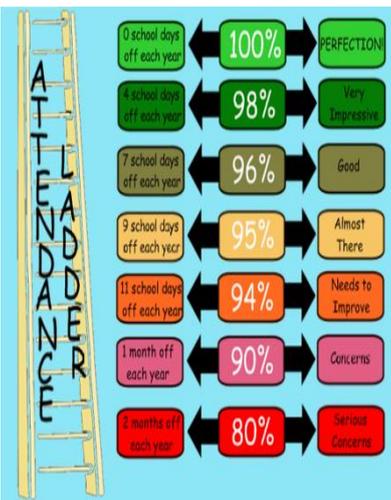
Bank Holiday - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
Bank Holiday - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
Bank Holiday - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Term Begins - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025  
Half Term - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
Term Ends - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – School closes at 1pm

## Information for Parents / Carers

Please do not be late it is unfair on the children to disturb them when they have started.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir Performance to Parents	Drumming Performance to Parents Violin Performance to Parents	Y1 Trip to Eureka	1:30pm Leavers Assembly	School Closes for the Summer Holiday



Attendance Percentage	Number of days missed	Number of lessons missed
100%	0 days	0
99%	2 days	18 lessons missed
97%	6 days (more than a week!)	54 lessons missed
95%	9 days	81 lessons missed
94%	11 days (more than 2 weeks!)	99 lessons missed
93%	13 days	117 lessons missed
92%	15 days (3 full weeks!)	135 lessons missed
91%	17 days	153 lessons missed
90%	18 days	144 lessons missed
85%	28 days (over 4 weeks!)	252 lessons missed

## Attendance figures this week

Rec - 86.6%  
Year 1 - 89.6%  
Year 2 - 92.7%  
Year 3 - 95.3%  
Year 4 - 93.3%  
Year 5 - 96.5%  
Year 6 - 95.5%

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office on 01204 333005 before 9am to explain the reasons for the absence.

Please try and make any medical appointments such as dental or optometrist appointments outside of school hours to avoid disruption to learning.

### Dinner Money

School meals are provided by Bolton Council. Meals for pupils are provided for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 free of charge. For all other pupils dinners are charged at £12.35 per week (£2.47 per day) unless your family is entitled to Free School Meals. St. Matthews is a cash less school, you can pay for your children's dinners, trip's; special days and residential via the  app.

### Club News Summer Term

All Clubs are from 3pm - 4pm

Pick up is from the main gate

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir Club				

### Uniform

Trousers (grey/black)  
Skirts/pinafore dresses (grey/black)  
Sweaters/sweatshirts/fleece/cardigans (navy blue)  
Shirts/polo-necked shirts/ blouses (white)  
Socks/tights (white/grey/black)  
Footwear - black shoes/trainers (all black including laces, no obvious logos)



Jogging bottoms and jean style trousers are **NOT** allowed

Children should come dressed to school in school uniform every day.

### PE Kit for both boys and girls is as follows:

White polo shirt or T-shirt  
Dark (navy blue, black, grey) jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts  
Dark (navy blue, black, grey) sweatshirt/ fleece  
Black Trainers or pumps

# Pictures From This Week

## Year 3 Chester Zoo Trip



## Year 2 Blackpool Beach Trip



# Dojo Winners Trip

The summer term dojo winners went out for the day. They started in Moss Bank Park then ended up at Smithills Estate Forest School.  
28 children went from across the school. We all had a brilliant day.

