

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

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



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy last week at St Matthew's before the summer break.

We had a wonderful time listening to the School Choir perform the songs they sang at Halle Hall. We had a special performance for the parents whose children have attended Choir Club all through the year. It was really good to see so many of you there.

We also had a performance from the Drumming and Violin children. They had a great time performing to the children, staff and parents who sang the children's praises. They have been amazing all year.

Year 1 went to their trip to Eureka Museum on Wednesday. They had a fabulous time interacting with exhibits and finding out about themselves and the world around them!

Year 6 went to the Cinema on Wednesday to watch 'Inside Out 2', with the money they raised from Fun Day! They had a great time watching the movie and eating their snacks.

We also had the Year 6 Leavers Assembly on Thursday. This was a great way to end their school journey at St Matthew's and we are very proud of all the children and their achievements. We wish them all the best for the next chapter in their lives and know that they will all go on to do wonderful things.

As we draw a close to a fulfilling and incredible academic year, I would like this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support and commitment to the school. We wish you and your children a very restful holiday and hope to see you all safe and well, ready for the new academic year of 24-25.

Have a wonderful Summer holiday!

Mrs Patel

## 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

### 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.

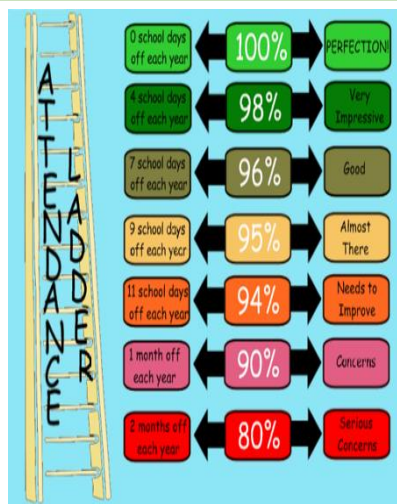
Please don't park across household driveways near schools and always park safely. We don't want to see anyone hurt.

### Attendance figures this week

Rec – 68.3%  
 Year 1 – 74.9%  
 Year 2 – 73.9%  
 Year 3 – 77.1%  
 Year 4 – 79.7%  
 Year 5 – 78.3%  
 Year 6 – 76.1%


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.



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

### 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

### 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

### Information for Parents / Carers

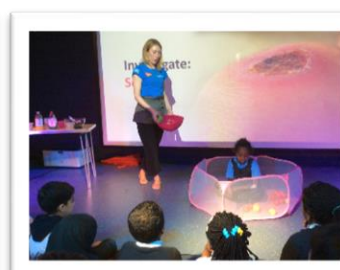
Please come to school for 2:25pm.  
Please do not be late it is unfair on the children to disturb them when they have started.

KS1 Phonics Screening Check - (Meeting Room) ALL WEEK

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

# Pictures From This Week

## Year 1 Eureka Trip



## Year 3 Drumming Performance

