

# 26<sup>th</sup> April Newsletter

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



## Learning Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week at St Matthew's this week. The staff and children had a great time celebrating Eid on Monday. They had henna patterns drawn on their hands and celebrated with Eid parties across school with lots of treats.

We have also had a busy week with parents coming in for 'Meet the teacher' meetings at school. We hope they have been useful in providing you with lots of information about your children's learning this half-term.

1S had their assembly on Tuesday, they did an absolutely fantastic job retelling the story of 'The tortoise and the Hare' for our value this half-term- Perseverance! Thank you to all of the parents who attended to watch their children shine.

I have also started a VIP Club for children to attend every Friday. This is to celebrate the achievement and success of all the children who have been awarded 'Star of the Week'. There are lots of fun activities for children to participate in and a few treats to enjoy too!

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

### Spring Term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 School finishes at 1pm

### Summer Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Elections – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024

Bank Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – School finishes at 1pm

## 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.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meet the Teacher Year 6			No School VOTING	

## Attendance figures this week

Rec – 92%

Year 1 – 92.1%

Year 2 – 93.7%

Year 3 – 95.3%

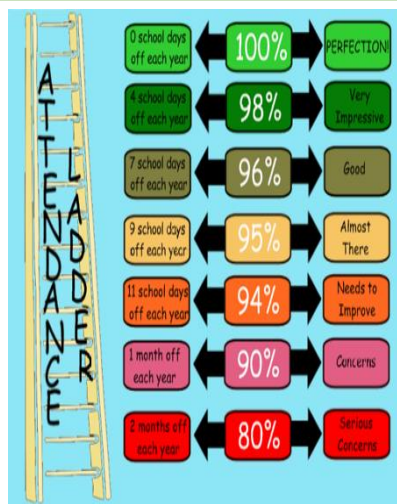
Year 4 – 95.3%

Year 5 – 94.8%

Year 6 – 94.3%

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.



Every student. Every day.

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  **SchoolMoney** app.

### Club News Spring Term

All Clubs are from 3pm - 4pm

Pick up is from the main gate

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir Club		Board Game Club	Reading Club	Times Table Club
Computer Club		Cricket Club	Drawing 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

