



Newsletter November 2022

A note from the Headteacher

It was lovely to see so many of you at Parents evening. I hope you enjoyed having the chance to look through your children's books.

Please put the following dates in your diaries. These are for our Christmas performances. More information will be sent from the classes involved but your child will want to see you there if they are performing on stage.

Friday 9th December – Nursery

Monday 12th December – Year 6 – 2 pm at school

Tuesday 13th December – Reception – 1:30pm at St Thomas' church

Thursday 15th December – Year 4 – 2 pm at school

Friday 16th December – Year 2 – 2pm at school



Term Dates

Term ends on Wednesday 21st December 2022. School closes at 1.00pm

Start Time

The timings to the school day. All classrooms will be open at the start of the day from 8:45am. Every pupil **MUST** be in school ready to learn by 9:00am. If they arrive after this time they will get a late mark.

**Attendance
01/11/22 to 18/11/22**

Class	Teacher	%
Rec R	Mrs Robson	88.9
Rec S	Mrs Smith	85.5
Y1M	Mr Mistry	87.3
Y1S	Mrs Shaw	87.6
Y2B	Miss Burkmar	92.6
Y2M	Miss May	91.8

Y3J	Mrs Johnson	94.9
Y3R	Ms Russell	91.7
Y4F	Miss Foster	94.6
Y4M	Miss Manley	93.3
Y5C	Mrs Clarkson	94.9
Y5M	Mrs McIlhagga	94.0
Y6C	Mr Currid	97.1
Y6K	Mrs Kearns	88.0



	28th Oct	4th Nov	11th Nov	18th Nov
Y1S – Bluebells	Ayesha	Eshaal	Mousa	Roney
Y1M – Poppies	Itisaam	Sofiya	Zain	Hamza
Y2M – Bluebells	Abubaker	Mayar	Magnifique	Ana
Y2B – Snowdrops	Odai	Bilisuma	Oday	Maryan
Y3J – Sparrows	Adun	Tanish	Umair	Pierre
Y3R – Robins	Inayah	Ahyan	Alicia	Jole
Y4F – Goldfinches	Ilhan	Ruman	Adam	Mandy
Y4M – Woodpeckers	Jersey	Llukman	Rohullah	Renwa
Y5C – Ladybirds	Ruben	Madonna	Abdul	Zakriya
Y5M – Dragonflies	Suheb	Aliamama	Iftihan	Harisha
Y6C – Honeybees	Anas	Fairaz	Clara	Amina
Y6K – Butterflies	Imama	Rhys	Mohammed	Fatima

COMPETITION WINNERS



Important Reminder

Children should come dressed to school in school uniform everyday.

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

Please check on your child's class page to see when their P.E. days are.



Uniform - Girls

skirts/pinafore dresses (grey/black), trousers (grey/black)
sweaters/sweatshirts/fleece/cardigans (navy blue)
blouses/shirts/polo-necked shirts (white)
socks/tights (white/grey/black)
footwear – black shoes/trainers
(all black including laces, no obvious logos)

Uniform - Boys

trousers (grey/black)
sweaters/sweatshirts/fleece (navy blue)
shirt/polo-necked shirts (white)
socks (white/grey/black)
footwear – black shoes/trainers
(all black including laces, no obvious logos)

Ethos Team - November 2022

Ethos Team News

Operation Xmas Child

Ethos Team have been busy working so hard buying lots of stationery, toys and hygiene items for our shoebox project in aid of Samaritan's Purse. We visited B&M after school and had a trolley which was full to the brim! We met back at school a week later to wrap and pack our shoeboxes. It was tiring, but fun! We thought about the children who would receive our gifts and we hope to bring some joy and happiness to their lives.



Our value for this term is

Love

"clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience" Colossians 3.12



Ethos Prayer

Dear God,
We want our school to be a peaceful, loving, happy place. Help us to remember to treat each other how we would want to be treated. Help us to treat one another with love, kindness and respect.
Amen.



CHALLENGE

God loves us all equally. We always try hard to show love for ourselves, each other and our community. How do you show love at school and in your community? Write down all the ways you show love onto a heart shaped piece of paper, fold it up, and keep it somewhere safe. This will remind you of all the ways you are trying to live out with action.

Fire-fighter visit

On Tuesday 8th November the fire-fighters visited us at school. They talked to us about how to keep safe at home and told us not to play with matches or lighters. Mrs Robson tried on a full fire-fighters uniform, it was so heavy! Then, we all went outside to look at the fire-engine and ask the fire-fighters some interesting questions. Finally, each of us had a turn to use the huge hoses to spray water in the car park and as the fire-fighters were leaving they put on the blue lights and sirens to give us the full experience!





Reception Hedgehogs

Come and Join the Celebration in Hedgehogs Class
We have been learning about celebrations in Hedgehogs class and have found out about birthdays, weddings and the celebrations we have enjoyed together in our families. We have been making birthday cakes in the creative area, acting out birthday parties and even helped Mr Mistry to celebrate his birthday too by singing 'Happy Birthday'! We learnt about the different ways weddings are celebrated and traditions in different communities. We enjoyed looking at Mrs Musa's wedding photographs. We will be learning about Christmas and enjoying a visit to the garden centre in December to see the Christmas trees and decorations.



Nursery

After singing 'I'm a little tea pot' the children thought they would like to have a cup of tea in Nursery. We decided to have a tea party! Everyone walked to our local Aldi and we bought the things we would need for a tea party. When we returned to Nursery some children enjoyed a cup of tea for the first time. Other children showed us how to enjoy a biscuit by dipping it in their tea!



Year 1S

'In RE, year 1S have been looking at the creation story. We had the opportunity to be creative, and create whatever we wanted using watercolours, chalk, playdoh, or lego. We had so much fun!'



Year 1M



In Forest School lessons 1M have been learning how to use a bowsaw safely. A bowsaw is used to cut wood that is bigger than a two pence. 1M worked safely with Mr Mistry and Mrs Asghar to make a tree cookie!



Year 2



In Year 2M, we have been learning our 2 times tables. We have been using counters to make equal groups of 2.

Year 3

Year 3 had a fabulous time debating whether we should walk to school or not in the style of a House of Commons debate.



School Life

Our wonderful therapy dog, Libby, loves listening to the children read.



Dojo Points Winners

In November we took the children with the highest dojo points out on a special trip. We went to watch the musical Matilda at Smithills High School., It was an excellent show and we all had a super time.

Y5/6 futsal



Y5/6 Bolton Wanderers Kid cup



Sporting events

Our school teams have been representing St Matthew's in a variety of inter-school sports festivals. They have competed well, worked well a team and had a great time.



Y3/4 Basketball

Polite Notice - Parking

Parents please be considerate to our neighbours when parking near the school, please do not park on Nottingham Drive.

Please park a little further away and walk your child to the school.

Thank you

