St Matthias Newsletter

St Matthias Church of England Primary School

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Friday 30th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our school photograph day went very smoothly on Monday. The children looked smart and hopefully you will have a wonderful photograph of your children ready for your wall or a special Christmas present! We will give you the proof copies when they arrive in school.

Harvest Service

Don't forget our Harvest Service on **Wednesday 5th October, 9am in St Matthias Church.** We would love you to come along and enjoy celebrating the gifts God has given us when we think of Harvest. We will also be celebrating our late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with some of the work we did during her period of mourning. There will be singing, Harvest hats, readings and prayers.

Please donate as generously as you can as we collect food for our charity '**Malvern Food Bank**' from **Monday**. Items which are warmly welcomed are- tinned food, packet food, toiletries, laundry detergent, tea, coffee, squash, baby wipes, nappies, toilet rolls etc

Welcome Back Freya!

This term we are very excited to welcome Freya back into school. She has been an amazingly brave young lady over the past year as she has battled with Leukaemia.

Freya, It is so lovely to welcome you back in a very gentle way to St Matthias and to join your friends again as we have really missed you! We wish you all the best on your road to recovery and will be very happy to hold your hand along the way!





Parent Teacher Association Meeting

We are holding a PTA meeting on **Tuesday 11th October at 3.15pm.** All parents are invited to come along and discuss future events to help raise lots of funds for the children to benefit from. The Summer fair was so brilliantly organised that it raised a huge amount of money and in a couple of weeks the children will get an amazing 'Circus Skills Week' which has been paid for using some of those funds! So from parents who have been part of St Matthias for years to brand new parents we welcome you all! Together we can make a difference!

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Beale



ASPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE

'Our school family values us all as unique individuals and children of God. We **aspire** to be the best version of ourselves; **believing** that through the gifts God has given us, we can make a positive contribution, flourish and **achieve** together to make a difference in our ever-changing world.'

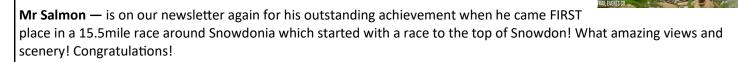






Outside Achievements

We have started our academic year with lots of outside achievements to celebrate. They were shared in our Worship this morning and we hope to inspire lots of you to share your outside achievements with us in school each Friday! Well done, we are very proud of you !



<u>Covid</u>

Covid cases are back in school. If your child has Covid symptoms please keep them at home for 3 days. If you do test and they are positive please let us know.

Covid Symptoms in children can include any of the following:- High temperature (over 37°C), cough, cold, sore throat, diarrhoea, vomiting, headaches, extreme tiredness, loss of appetite and joint pain.

Headlice

Headlice have been reported in several classes, please clear or treat your child promptly. Please tie up or plait long hair. Headlice cannot jump, they only walk from head to head so please discourage your children from getting too close to their friends.

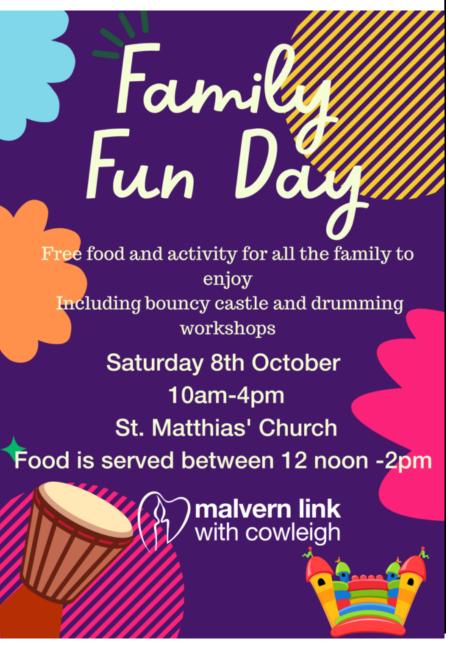
St Matthias Church FAMILY FUN DAY!

St Matthias Church celebrated it's 175th birthday last year following its completed construction in 1846! The church was constructed to accommodate a congregation

of 300 people! Since then there have been alterations to increase it in size and the tower and belfry were added in 1899. Big celebrations were planned last year, however

they had to be postponed due to the pandemic.

Celebrations have now been re-arranged for next **Saturday 8th October from 10am—4pm** with an exciting Family Fun Day! Please go along to celebrate as St Matthias Church is a large part of St Matthias CE Primary School. There will be free food and activities to enjoy for all the family including a bouncy castle, drumming workshops and lots of games. **Food will be served between 12noon & 2pm**.





CALL FREE ON 0800 328 0006

If you are feeling weighed down by debt, then we can help. You may think your situation is impossible, but there is hope. Our friendly team will give you a listening ear in the privacy of your own home and provide a practical solution to your debts.

Since we started helping people out of debt in 1996, we've helped thousands in situations like yours through our professional service offered by over 300 CAP Debt Centres. So why don't you ring us today and begin your journey to becoming debt free?

Does it cost anything?

No. Our service is completely free.

We are able to provide a totally free service because CAP is a charity and receives donations from churches and individuals who want to help people.

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Will my creditors cooperate with you?

Yes. We have worked with over 1,000 companies within the finance industry and we are well respected. This means that councils, utilities and mortgage companies work with us because they have seen the results of our involvement. They know we offer fair repayments based on what you can afford.

Is CAP just for Christians?

No. CAP will help anyone regardless of their religious beliefs. We are committed to our service being available to all individuals regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation - and will take appropriate measures to monitor this.



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Weighed down by debt? Gebt?



Making the first call can be hard but the sooner you ring, the sooner you will have peace of mind.



Home visits

After you call CAP, a Debt Coach from a local CAP Debt Centre will visit you in your own home.



An effective budget

Our trained debt counsellors will work out a realistic budget that prioritises your essential bills. We will negotiate affordable payments with each creditor and attempt to stop unfair interest and charges where possible. Your local Debt Coach will then explain the budget and the payments you will need to make.



CAP Plan

In most cases, a CAP Plan is set up for you. You will need to make one monthly payment into your CAP Plan to cover your debts and also bills if appropriate. CAP will then distribute this on your behalf. You can also build up savings through your CAP Plan.



Severe debt If you are in severe debt, then we can walk you through insolvency options, such as petitioning for bankruptcy. We can help you to fill out the forms and even attend court with you.



Debt free

You can use your CAP Plan to pay your bills and debt repayments until you are debt free.



Celebration Worship Awards

Every Friday we hold a 'Celebration Worship' to give out awards to our children to celebrate their achievements.

Certificates (Effort in their work): R. Albie, 1. Isaac, 2. Edward-Noah, 3. Addison, 4. Coby, 5. Max, 6. Jess.

Value Leaf for showing Community: R. Mia, 1. Daisy, 2. Isabella, 3. Tommy, 4. Poppy M, 5. Sophie, 6. Gracie.

Spotted (Improved Vocabulary): R. Zoya, 1. Charlie P, 2. Charlie S, 3. Tianna, 4. Poppy F, 5. Grace, 6. Leo G.

Book Prize Draw Winner (for children who have read five times this week): Kendra Yr 6

Lunchtime Award (for children who have demonstrated our school values outside): Sam Yr 5

Thank you to our parents for joining us this morning!

Attendance

The table below shows class attendance statistics for this week. Our target is 96% or more. Well done to Year 5 for 94.9% attendance this week! Congratulations to Year 5 for only 11 missing sessions. Well Done! Sadly NO classes had above 96% attendance this week. Let's hope we all feel better next week!

	Percentage	MISSED Sessions		Percentage	MISSED Sessions
Nursery	78.5%	28	Year 3	87.1%	27
Reception	92.9%	15	Year 4	89.0%	33
Year 1	92.0%	20	Year 5	94.9%	11
Year 2	90.0%	12	Year 6	91.0%	27



As a church school, each half term we choose a special Value which we think about very carefully in our worship, our classrooms, in our playground and everywhere in school. We focus on what they mean in our values and in our relationships with each other.



Our Value this half term is "Thankfulness"

Colossians 2:7 Let your roots grow down into him and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught and you will overflow with thankfulness."

Psalms 118:2 "This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Dalai Lama "When you practise gratefulness, there is a sense of respect towards others"

Charles Shcwab "The way to develop the best that is in a person is by appreciation and thanks. Be **thankful** for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough. He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has."

Adults in school will be on the look out this half term for children who are really trying hard to be thankful and grateful for the good things in their lives.

We are thankful for the gifts God has given each & every one of us to enable us to be unique individuals & make a difference in our own ways.



NOTICEBOARD



REMINDERS

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

Harvest Festival in Church Wednesday 5th October 9.15_{am}.

Family Fun Day at Church Saturday 8th October 10_{am} - 4_{pm}

PTA Meeting Tuesday 11th October at 3.15_{pm}

Circus Skills Week 10th to 14th October

Nasal Flu Vaccine Monday 31st October

Parents Evenings 3rd and 7th November

CLASS EVENTS

Years 6/5 Cross Country Run Friday 14th October

Year 6 Deadline for High School All Applications must be made Online by Sunday 30th October

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Who to contact in school

<u>MRS KAZEROONI</u> for:- Attendance issues, (reasons for absences if possible contact us before 9.15am), to request forms, changes of address, email or phone numbers, general enquires, urgent contact, to inform her of medical appointments, (inform her of other persons collecting from school **preferably before 1pm**). email **ad**-**min@stmatthias.worcs.sch.uk** or **Telephone 01684 574984**

<u>MRS JAMES (Works Mon - Thu) for finance issues ie:-</u> Whizz Kids or nursery bookings, paying any bills or invoices, trips, music lessons, purchasing PE kit etc. please email finance@stmatthias.worcs.sch.uk or Phone 01684 574984 ask to speak to Mrs James.

<u>CLASS TEACHER</u> for:- classroom issues, learning or behaviour related, use ClassDojo or Tapestry. To request a telephone call from a teacher call 01684 574984 or email admin@stmatthias.worcs.sch.uk to ask for an appointment.

MRS BEALE Headteacher for:- urgent personal/private matters on head@stmatthias.worcs.sch.uk

Black Pepper Lunches for:-booking your child's mealsevery half term (so 6 times peryear),visit their websitehttps://www.blackpepperlunches.com/BP-default.php

Support for Food and resources during half term/ Summer

Here2Help

Click here for the <u>Here2Help website</u> On this website scroll down to the 'I need help' purple button and click on it. Complete a referral form and at the bottom there is a selection for 'Food and Supplies'; they will then be able to get in contact with you.

Are you in need of help?
If you are vulnerable and need help-during this difficult time but are unable to seek help from family, friends and neighbours, click below and complete a form and a helper will be in contact.
I need help

<u>Covid 19</u>

COVID-19 symptom check (<u>click here</u>) Book an NHS COVID test (<u>click here</u>) or ring **119**

Book a COVID-19 Vaccine (<u>click here</u>) Support and Advice Adult Mental health support (<u>click</u> <u>here</u>)

Starting Well– for parenting, health and wellbeing support (<u>click here</u>) Here2Help–(<u>click here</u>) Bereavement support (<u>click here</u>)

Citizens Advice Bureau (click here)

Child Line - 0800 1111 Domestic Abuse 24 hour Helpline for Women and Men - 0800 980 333 School Nurse – 01684 612668 Family Front Door - 01905 822666 to request help or to report a concern about a child. The Family Hub for parenting support and advice (click here) Parent Online Safety Information (click here)

Malvern Hills Housing support (click here)

TERM DATES & HOLIDAYS

<u>Autumn 2022</u> SCHOOL & NURSERY CLOSE

Staff Professional Development

HALF TERM BREAK SCHOOL & NURSERY OPEN SCHOOL & NURSERY CLOSE Spring 2023 SCHOOL & NURSERY OPEN Thursday 20th October at 3.15pm Friday 21st October

Friday 21st to Sunday 30th October Monday 31st October at 8.45am Friday 16th December at 3.15pm

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at 8.45am

Dates for the whole year are on Newsletter 2 - September 16th 2022.