



# St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

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## Goodbye Mrs Lowe (until the summer)

Mrs Lowe leaves today to begin her maternity leave. We wish her well and pray for the safe arrival of her new baby.

## Parent Governor Required

Our governing body is made up of people from all walks of life who all have a range of backgrounds, skills and experiences. Governors are volunteers who work together for the benefit of the school and are the link between school and the community we serve. We are currently looking for a new parent governor and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

- a child or children who currently attend St Matthew's
- a desire to improve the performance of our school.
- the ability to look at issues objectively
- a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- time to spare

## What can we offer?

- The opportunity to work with a team of people to improve our school
- A sense of achievement in making a difference to our school
- The pleasure of helping pupils reach their potential

As well as attending meetings, governors are also asked to look at specific areas of the school's work in more detail. To help support governors, everyone has access to further training to help build on existing skills or to develop new ones. If you are interested, please see Mrs Deakin who will explain more about the role.

## Lunchtime Supervisor Required

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and caring lunchtime supervisor who is able to work effectively as part of a team. If you feel you have the necessary skills and enjoy working with children, then ask at the office for an application pack. The post is for 5 hours per week and is term time only. The closing date is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please note, our school is committed to safeguarding and we expect all staff and volunteers to share our commitment. Please be aware that an enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check will be required

### Children who will be praised next week

Please note, children in Yr3, Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6 are praised on alternate weeks

<u>EYFS and KSI Windmill Lane</u> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October		<u>KS2 Croxall Way</u> Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October		
<u>Reception</u> Nia, Reon, Yaguba and Rania	<u>Year 1</u> Anaya, Tanish, Kemai and Liam	<u>Year 2</u> Jugraj, Davida, Chloe and Hassan	<u>Year 5</u> Ella, Zaiyah, Muheez, Anirudh, Maria and Salman	<u>Year 6</u> Emmanuel, Jaxon, Amina, Rushda, Monae and James

### INSPIRE Workshops

<u>Nursery</u> 6 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>Year 1</u> 9 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>Year 3</u> 15 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>Year 5</u> 13 <sup>th</sup> October
<u>Reception</u> 17 <sup>th</sup> November	<u>Year 2</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> October	<u>Year 4</u> 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	<u>Year 6</u> 14 <sup>th</sup> October

### St Matthew's Attendance

Regular attendance is vitally important to your child's learning and well-being. Please support us by ensuring your children are here on time and attend regularly.

Remember, school is open from 8.30am for children in EYFS and KSI and 8.35am for children in KS2. Anyone who arrives after 8.40am in EYFS/KSI or 8.45am in KS2 will be marked as arriving late.

Overall attendance for this week: 98%

Class with the best attendance in EYFS and KSI: Year 1 Cherry with 99%

Class with the best attendance in KS2: Yr3 Elm and Elder and Yr4 Birch with 100%

Class with the poorest attendance in EYFS and KSI: Year 1 Plum with 95%

Class with the poorest attendance in KS2: Year 6 Olive with 91%

### Diary Dates

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October: Harvest Festival (please start to send donations of tinned or dried food from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October)

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October: Parents' evening

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: School photos

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: Break up for half term

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October: INSET Day

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Children return to school

### School trips this term

Rec: No visit this term

Year 1: Black Country Museum Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Year 2: Dudley Canal Trust Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Year 3: Stone Age Outback Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Year 4: Bosworth Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Year 5: Space Centre Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Year 6: Frank Chapman Residential 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> September