



St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

16th January 2026

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Windmill House Community Meeting

There will be a meeting at 11am on Sunday 18th January at St Matthew's Primary School, in the Windmill Lane hall. The meeting will provide the opportunity to discuss the application to convert Windmill House into a 76-bedroom HMO.

Mrs Deakin will welcome everyone and Gurinder Singh Josan CBE (Member of Parliament for Smethwick), Councillor Shaeen, Councillor Muflihi and Councillor Uddin will be in attendance. We are incredibly grateful for their support and invite members of the community to attend so they can share their views and concerns.

You do not need to be a St Matthew's parent to attend so please invite neighbours, friends and family members so they are able to have their voice heard. The Croxall Way and Windmill car parks will be open for people to park.

St Matthew's Baby

Congratulations to Miss Deery who gave birth to Minnie May on the 8th January.

Support for Parents and My Sandwell

Would you like to learn more about the digital world and get support in accessing services in Sandwell? If so, there is training being delivered in St Matthew's Church from 11am-1pm on Thursday on 22nd January, Thursday 29th January and Thursday 5th February. If you are interested, please contact Sarah or Dean on 0121 544 1230 or email: enquiries@sips.org.uk All you need is an email address and the trainers will provide the rest.

Mini Modern Pentathlon

Well done to those children who represented St Matthew's at the Mini Modern Pentathlon on Tuesday. Daniel, Selin, Liam, Ianis, Jayden, Hassan and Nadia were a credit to school and really enjoyed the afternoon. Thank you to Miss Shoker for organising the event and to Ms Salandy and Mr Tolley for accompanying the children.

Multiplication Masters

Bronze Yr1: Muhammad Talha
Bronze Year 2: Abel
Bronze Year 5: Mustafa and Anvjaldo
Gold Yr3: Danish

Children who will be praised next week

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

EYFS and KSI Windmill Lane Monday 19 th January		KS2 Croxall Way Friday 23 rd January		
<u>Reception</u> Mubin, Jacob, Adrian and Gratian	<u>Year 1</u> Kemal, Fatima, Anaya and Tiara	<u>Year 2</u> Mia Y, Hilya, Dahin and Muhammad Shazad	<u>Year 5</u> Ayaan K, Ebony, Fleur, Jacob, Amelia and Kamayah	<u>Year 6</u> Jassi, Ama, Kamose, Sulfyian, Kairo and Grace

Inspire Workshops

<u>Nursery</u> Friday 6 th March Friday 20 th March	<u>Year 1</u> Thursday 12 th March	<u>Year 3</u> Wednesday 4 th March	<u>Year 5</u> Monday 9 th March
<u>Reception</u> Monday 16 th March	<u>Year 2</u> Friday 13 th March	<u>Year 4</u> Tuesday 3 rd March	<u>Year 6</u> Tuesday 10 th March

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 KSI: Yr2 Apple 98%

Class with the best attendance in KS2: Yr3 Elm and Yr4 Birch 99%

Class with the poorest attendance in EYFS and KSI: Year 1 Plum 96%

Class with the poorest attendance in KS2: Year 5 Hawthorn 94%

Diary Dates

Monday 19th January: Online safety assembly Y456
Tuesday 27th January: Stranger Danger assemblies
Tuesday 27th January: County Lines assembly Yr6
Tuesday 10th February: Safer Internet Day
Thursday 5th March: World Book Day (dress up)
Wednesday 25th March: Parents' evening
Friday 27th March: Break up for Easter at 1pm

School trips this term

Rec: Think Tank Wednesday 4th March
Year 1: No trip this term
Year 2: Trunk Theatre in school 30th January
Year 3: No trip this term
Year 4: No trip this term
Year 5: No trip this term
Year 6: No trip this term