



St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

27th June 2025

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Meet the Teacher

On Thursday the 3rd July, children will spend the day with their new teacher and the other members of staff that they will be working with next year. It is an exciting day for children as it's an opportunity for them to spend time in their new classroom and to learn about the year ahead. Staff thoroughly enjoy the day as they have the chance to meet their new class and learn more about each child.

The staffing list for next year is attached to the newsletter.

Goodbye Miss Rash

At the end of the school year we will be saying goodbye to a valued member of staff. After working at St Matthew's for four years, Miss Rash is leaving us to begin a new chapter teaching in Dudley. We thank her for all her hard work and wish her well in her new post.

Prayer Spaces

We will be holding a 'Prayer Spaces in Schools' event on Tuesday 1st July and Wednesday 2nd July. Prayer Spaces offer an opportunity for all pupils, whatever their beliefs or cultural backgrounds, to take part in creative and thought-provoking activities. These activities allow pupils to reflect, ask questions and provide an opportunity to develop skills of personal reflection and if they want to, pray about the world they live in. Once again, we are very grateful to have been offered the use of Gospel Hall on Windmill Lane and each year group will access the space with their class teachers.

St Matthew's Church: Songs of Praise Joint Oversight Service

There is a joint 'Songs of Praise' on Sunday 29th June at 4pm at St Mary's Church, Bearwood Road B66 4BX. The congregations of St Mary's Bearwood, St Hilda's Warley Woods, Smethwick Old Church and St Matthew's with St Chad are joining together for a joint service. It is free to attend and everyone is welcome.

Children who will be praised after the half term holiday

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

<u>EYFS and KSI Windmill Lane</u> Monday 30 th June		<u>KS2 Croxall Way</u> Friday 4 th July		
<u>Reception</u> Fatima, Skala, Anaya and Ali	<u>Year 1</u> Adel, Danar, Omar and Nishanth	<u>Year 2</u> All of Year 2	<u>Year 5</u> Sawda, Caleb, Zamwa, Kristofer, Ocean and Kairo	<u>Year 6</u> Hailey-Rose, Djibrel, Kaddyjah C, Shari Alison and Daniel

Inspire Workshops

<u>Nursery</u> Nursery 1 30 th June Nursery 2 23 rd June	<u>Year 1</u> Thursday 15 th May	<u>Year 3</u> Tuesday 10 th June	<u>Year 5</u> Monday 7 th July
<u>Reception</u> Monday 16 th June	<u>Year 2</u> Friday 27 th June	<u>Year 4</u> Tuesday 24 th June	<u>Year 6</u> Thursday 10 th July

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: 97%

Class with the best attendance in EYFS and KSI: Reception Blossom with 100%

Class with the best attendance in KS2: Year 5 Holly with 100%

Class with the poorest attendance in EYFS and KSI: Reception Willow with 98%

Class with the poorest attendance in KS2: Year 4 Beech 92%

Diary Dates

2nd and 3rd July: Year 6 Transition Days
Thursday 3rd July: Meet the teacher all day
Tuesday 8th July EYFS/KSI Sports Day
Wednesday 9th July Nursery Sports Day
Thursday 10th July KS2 Sports Day
Monday 14th July Parents' evening
Wednesday 17th July: Year 6 Production for parents

School trips this term

Reception: Dudley Zoo Wednesday 11th June
Year 1: Warwick Castle Thursday 5th June
Year 2: Weston-Super-Mare Wednesday 25th June
Year 3: London Tuesday 17th June
Year 4: Carding Mill Valley Thursday 12th June
Year 5: Cadbury World Thursday 15th May
Year 6: Drayton Manor Park Monday 19th May