

# St Matthias CE Primary School Newsletter



Friday 13th June

2025



## News from this week:

This week we have embraced our new play strategy. We are encouraging our children to play, be creative and take risk. This will be a long term plan that we will be rolling out across the next year- to the point where Father David has even agreed to let us build dens and put a rope swing in his meadow! For now, we are enjoying the water and sand and leaping onto crash mats on the playground. Please talk to your children about what it feels like on the playground now... we have had a significant reduction in behaviour issues AND most importantly the children are having fun. With play making up 20% of the school day we need to get it right. Watch this space for more to come...



## Important dates:

**Tuesday 22nd June**  
St Matthias Hispanic Day



**Thursday 26th June**  
Summer Fayre



**Monday 30th June**  
St Matthias Summer Singing Concert in church 3pm



**Wednesday 9th July**  
Year 6 Prom



**Thursday 10th July**  
Sports Day AM



**Monday 14th - Wednesday 16th July**



Year 6 Ufton Court Residential



Thursday 17th July  
Year 6 Graduation AM



Friday 18th July - tbc  
Summer Holidays

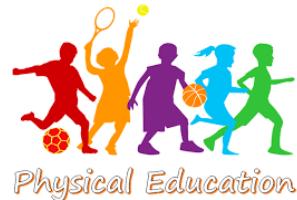


Raffle tickets on sale next week!!!!

5 Raffle Tickets for Just £1!

Have a look at the St Matthias website and see what each class is learning about this half term!

[EYFS Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 1 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 2 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 3 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 4 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 5 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)  
[Year 6 Summer 2 Curriculum Overview](#)



PE next week - please ensure pupils are in the appropriate PE kit.

**Summer Term  
Changes**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Year 6  Year 1 Year 2	Year 4  Year 3	Year 5  EYFS

**Hot chocolate Friday!**

Pupils enjoyed hot chocolate this week. They have consistently displayed exemplary behaviour and learning.



EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Shael	Raphael	Luke	Khalid	Kendrick	Winley	Jia

## News from our classes: What has been the most memorable learning this week?

<b>EYFS:</b> This week in Reception children have enjoyed making art wold of worms from felt and other materials.	<b>Year 1:</b> Year 1 have been learning about money in maths. Children have identifying the value of each coin and looking at the patterns in the size and colour of each coin. The class thoroughly enjoyed the new equipment on the playground. Children have particularly enjoyed the role play area and water tray.	<b>Year 2:</b> Year 2 have had a fantastic week of learning! We have been designing our own characters and inventions in writing. In Humanities we compared the climates of Jamaica and London. We learnt about the different parts of a Baptism ceremony in RE and in Maths we have been using our knowledge of doubling and halving to solve word problems,
<b>Year 3:</b> This week, year 3 began exploring the water cycle, with a particular focus on understanding where water comes from . All children were able to engage in this discussion. IN RE, we reflected on the statement "I am the light of the world" , exploring what Jesus might have meant by this. In science, we have continued our study of rocks, delving deeper into igneous rocks, using their scientific knowledge to categories the different types of igneous rocks. Well done year 3!	<b>Year 4:</b> Year 4 have had another great week of the summer term! In writing we have been working hard putting ourselves in an inventions shoes and exploring what feelings would come with this. In maths we have been working really hard to add mixed numbers and simplifying improper fractions - we have shown great resilience! In reading we have been hooked on Harry Potter and have been loving hearing how Harry got invited to Hogwarts. Finally Year 4 completed their Multiplication Check, everyone was so focused and calm and they did AMAZING! Well done Year 4!!	<b>Year 5:</b> Year 5 have had another amazing week. In Maths we have been looking at improper fractions, they have found this a little tricky, but they showed great determination and resilience. Within writing year 5 took part in a debate presenting a balanced argument about whether gorillas should be held in captivity, they put across amazing points with evidence! Within reading, we continued reading Floella Benjamin coming to England, in which we used our skill of inference to answer comprehension questions. Within PSHE we looked at how to stay safe online, finishing off our last topic. Year 5 have worked really hard this week, I am very proud of them!
<b>Year 6:</b> It's been another busy week for year 6. We completed our intensive swimming course and ended with a focus on survival strategies in the water. At the end of the week, we had a secondary school transition workshop where we learned: how to read lesson timetables; how to organise independently and how to build positive relationships with new pupils and adults. In writing, we focused on our editing skills and looked for ways to improve our writing.		

### School value in focus this week **Respect**:

Each week the class teacher nominates a pupil in their class who has shown the school value that was in focus.



The pupils who have shown excellent **respect** are:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Izrail		Maya	Jaciara	Mouhamed	Samuel	Fodie

## SWIMMING CLUB

ARE YOU LOOKING TO START YOUR SWIMMING JOURNEY OR TAKE YOUR SKILLS TO THE NEXT LEVEL? BADU SWIMMING CLUB IS THE PERFECT PLACE FOR ADULT SWIMMERS OF ALL ABILITIES. JOIN US TO IMPROVE YOUR TECHNIQUE, STAY FIT AND BE PART OF A THRIVING COMMUNITY!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SECURE YOUR PLACE!

### CLASS LOCATIONS & TIMES:

#### THURSDAYS

BRITANNIA LEISURE CENTRE  
7:30PM - 8:30PM | ADVANCED  
8:30PM - 9:30PM | NON-SWIMMERS

#### FRIDAYS

KINGS HALL LEISURE CENTRE  
7:15PM - 8:15PM | BEGINNERS  
7:30PM - 8:30PM | INTERMEDIATE

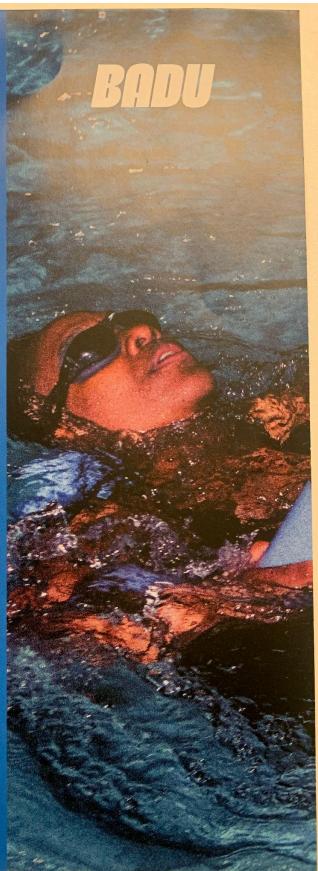
#### AGES:

18+

#### MORE INFO:

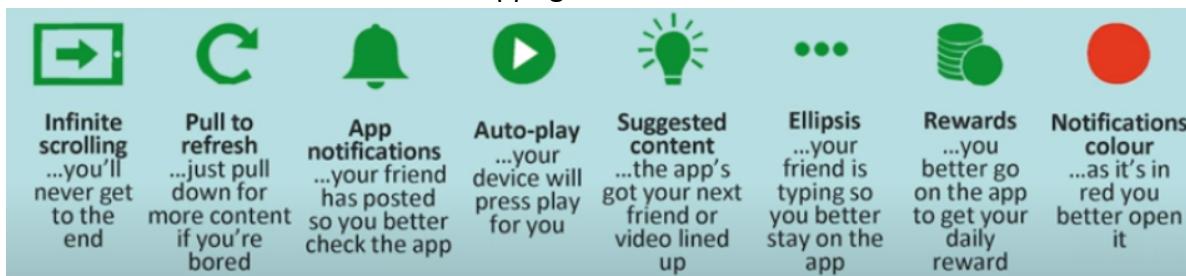
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## Tip for keeping pupils safe online (taken from [saferinternet.org.uk](http://saferinternet.org.uk))

How do apps get us to come back?



## Keeping Children Safe

The safeguarding of the children at St Matthias is our number one priority. We adhere to stringent safeguarding procedures to protect the welfare of all the children who come to our school. We will endeavour to work with parents and carers as it is our duty as a school to protect our children and to keep them safe.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead (Ms Blewett) or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Miss Frohock & Mrs Cherid).