

# HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022



## CHAMPIONS AGAIN!

Mrs Hookway is over the moon as the Y3/4 Athletics team beat 14 other schools to be crowned the champions at the indoor athletics event on Wednesday. Well done to all of the children that took part and helped us to be the winners! This means that St Matthew's were the champions in ALL of the indoor athletics tournaments this year! This is a fantastic achievement and I am very proud of all of the pupils in each team, and of course Mrs Hookway!

Thank you to the PTA for organising the second hand uniform sale on Monday. Parents were very grateful to be able to purchase items of uniform for greatly reduced prices. There will be another opportunity at the end of the month, including summer uniform items.

This week in our acts of worship we have been thinking about when Jesus said he was 'The Light of The World.' Some Y2 pupils came up with some amazing ideas as to different places where we find light, with fireworks being my favourite response!

I have had the pleasure of teaching in both Y3 and Y4 this week. On Monday I was very impressed with 4R and their mature thinking in response to the story of Jesus and the lepers. On Wednesday, Puffins Class produced some lovely instructions on how to make a salad and Kiwi Class worked very hard on their handwriting. Well done!

Mrs Coppard and Mrs Austen are very proud of their Sewing Club members, as they have been working very hard on their owl door stops for weeks! The children have now finished them and were very pleased to be taking them home!

## NEXT WEEK

Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day and we will be taking this opportunity to remind the children how to stay safe when online. Whilst this is something that is revisited throughout the year, we ensure that the message 'Together for a Safer Internet' is reinforced. You can also use this as an opportunity to discuss this as a family. A family guide to support this is available at

<https://www.saferinternetday.org/resources/resource?id=128814>

Mrs Aspinall has put some information on Class Dojo about some parent workshops with our Educational Psychologist. If you are interested, please message Mrs Aspinall via Dojo with your choice of workshop and preferred time.

Have a good weekend!

## SEWING CLUB SUCCESS!



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



## School News

<b>YR</b>	This week, we have been programming Beebots to move from one place to another on a map. We have also been finding one more and one less when counting. We celebrated Chinese New Year with children making cards, lanterns and drawing tigers. We all enjoyed the fortune cookies kindly given to us by Siana's mum.
<b>Y1</b>	Y1 have been using lots of different strategies to solve subtraction calculations this week. They have been counting back on a number line and finding the difference between two numbers. In Discovery Time, we thought about what our favourite toy is and wrote a description of it.
<b>Y2</b>	We have been improving our computer skills in the ICT suite this week. We have been learning how to create a document in Word. We are becoming more familiar with the keyboard and can type using capital letters and full stops. We have also learnt how to change the colour, size and style of our font and also how to insert a picture.
<b>Y3</b>	This week, Y3 tasted a variety of ingredients before typing up the list and making their own salad. They learnt to grate, chop and slice carefully and reported that their families enjoyed the tasty treats that they took home. In Science, we used magnets to sort material into magnetic and non-magnetic groups.
<b>Y4</b>	This week, we have been fascinated by food chains! We learnt all about producers and consumers, and were very surprised by the diets of some animals. In Art, we have been developing our drawing skills by learning how to draw a human face in proportion.
<b>Y5</b>	Y5 have studied the science behind earthquakes and learnt about their often significant impact on the people affected by them. By considering the most likely causes of injury, we created some posters to give advice on how to stay safe when an earthquake strikes.
<b>Y6</b>	Y6 have learnt how coffee and cacao beans are made into the coffee and chocolate that we buy in the shops. They are busy creating a pamphlet explaining the process, with their own bean characters to narrate the story. They have also produced informative posters about classifying living things.

## WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL

### MONDAYS

5S  
5D

### TUESDAYS

Owls  
Robins  
6W  
6H

### WEDNESDAY

3TWP  
3DB  
Kookaburras  
Lorikeets  
6H  
6W

### THURSDAY

3TWP  
4R  
4M  
Kookaburras  
Lorikeets

### FRIDAY

Ducklings  
Goslings  
4R  
4M  
Owls  
Robins

### FOREST SCHOOL

### NEXT WEEK

Lorikeets