



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome to 2023! It is lovely to be back, celebrating the New Year and hearing all of the children talking about their Christmas. Watching the children hug each other on Wednesday morning was a heart-warming sight!

COMMUNICATION

This is a plea to all parents to make a New Year's resolution to read all school communication! Please ensure that we have the correct email address and that you are signed up to Class Dojo. We have had instances of children arriving on the INSET day, children not coming in on the first day of term and children not wearing the correct clothing as parents have said that they were not aware of things. The office staff have also had to deal with irate parents who have missed the deadline for the disco or Christmas lunch because they have not read the reminders sent out. Children have also been disappointed to miss out on opportunities. So **PLEASE** ensure that you receive all of the communication and if you know of someone who doesn't, please encourage them to let us know so that we can remedy this. Thank you!

CONCERNS ABOUT RELATIONSHIP AND SEX EDUCATION

We have been made aware that some parents are concerned that changes have been made to the school policy as to what is taught as part of relationship education. This is not the case and you can view our school policy, which aligns with statutory DFE policy, on the school website at <https://st-matthews-school.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/RSE-Policy.pdf>

Should the statutory policy change, you will be informed. If you have any questions about this, please do get in touch with me.

NEXT WEEK

- All clubs will resume next week as normal
- 4VC will be swimming on Monday afternoon
- 5S will be doing Forest School on Thursday

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS		
MONDAY	5S, 5C, Lorikeets, Kookaburras, 4R	(Swimming 4VC)
TUESDAY	Owls, Robins, 6W, 6H	
WEDNESDAY	3TWB, 3DB, 4VC, 4R, 6H, 6W	
THURSDAY	3TWB, 3DB, Owls, Robins	(5S Forest School)
FRIDAY	Ducklings, Goslings, Lorikeets, Kookaburras	

The head teacher highlights will return next week.

Have a good weekend!

Mrs Phillips