

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



FRIDAY 24th MARCH 2023

STRETCHING BODY AND MIND!

This has been a busy week for the sports teams at St Matthew's! Last Friday evening, the Y5/6 football team played in a tournament, with the highlight being beating Broadwater Down 3-0! The netball team played a friendly match against Speldhurst, winning 3-2. Our Y5/6 hockey team took part in a tournament with 17 other schools and came 4th! This is the highest finish we have ever had in this tournament! Well done to all of the children in each team and to Mrs Hookway, Mrs Stammers and Mrs Cawfield for spending their time training the teams. Thank you also to the parents who transport the children to the various tournaments and cheer us on from the side lines!

Our Y6 House Captains have been demonstrating our school values of responsibility and kindness this week with the younger pupils. They made Easter Nought and Crosses games and played them with the children in Reception, Y1 and Y2. The younger children loved getting stickers!

Last night, 13 teams took part in the PTA Quiz. It was great fun, and there was some healthy competition in the room, especially between the staff teams! The event raised £645 towards the new KS1 playground climbing frame, due to the fantastic efforts of Mrs Smith, Mrs Bird and the rest of the PTA Team. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and a special thank you to Mr Howden for writing the questions and to Mrs Howden for being an excellent quiz host!

Don't forget to get your Easter Raffle tickets after school! The draw will take place on Monday!

NEXT WEEK

Monday:

- Easter Raffle to be drawn
- Y6 Trip to the Amelia Scott Centre
- Football match against Broadwater Down.

Tuesday:

- Anglo-Saxon visitor to Y3
- Gymnastics tournament at the Angel Centre

Wednesday:

- Y1-Y6 Reports to be sent out via email.

Thursday:

- Y2 Football Tournament at Hayesbrook
- Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in New Hall after school.

Friday:

- Whole school to walk to St Matthew's Church for our Easter Service at 9.30am.
- End of term 4



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.

YR	We have absolutely loved learning about aliens this week, it really captured our imaginations! We made aliens, decorated them, named them and described them! We have been doing rocket maths and gave an alien some instructions for cleaning their teeth.
Y1	Year 1 have found out about Samuel Pepys and have been looking at the features of a diary. They found out that lots of people had to flee by boat during the Great Fire of London and have been investigating which materials float and sink.
Y2	This week, we have been learning about the Titanic. We have looked at clips and books to research. Did you know that one of the funnels on the Titanic was fake, to make it look more powerful? We have also learnt how bridges are made and created our own successful bridges!
Y3	We have had a wonderful, creative week in Y3, designing, making and evaluating our Anglo-Saxon helmets. There were some challenges to overcome regarding the positioning of the eye holes and checking the level of protection.
Y4	We have been learning about sound in Science. We have seen how sound travels through vibrations in water and in particles in the air. We are publishing our travel brochures to visit Mousehole, and we all want to go there now!
Y5	Year 5 have been busy using painting techniques to paint a woodland background for a flap factsheet. We have researched, using search engines, British woodland animals and we have written reports on them focussing on areas such as habitat, species numbers and migration. We have also made leaf tiles using string and cardboard for block printing next week. We have been finishing off area and perimeter in Maths.
Y6	This week, we have learnt about the resurrection in RE as we get closer to Holy Week. In Science, we have been learning about Charles Darwin and evolution. We covered thousands of years in the course of an afternoon! We are looking forward to our trip on Monday. Don't forget that you can order your Leavers' hoodie at https://www.leavershoodies.com/st-matthews-c-of-e-primary-2023-leavers by 21st April.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

- MONDAY**
- 5S
- 5C
- Lorikeets
- Kookaburras
- 4VC
- Swimming 4R**
- TUESDAY**
- Owls
- Robins
- 6W
- 6H
- WEDNESDAY**
- 3DB
- 3TWB
- 4VC
- 4R
- 6W
- 6H
- THURSDAY**
- 3TWB
- 3DB
- Owls
- Robins
- FRIDAY**
- Ducklings
- Goslings
- Lorikeets
- Kookaburras

FOREST SCHOOL
4VC