



St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

18th November 2016

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Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 7th December

If you wish to join us for Christmas lunch, please order your meal from the office. The cost is £2.58 for adults and £2.10 for children. Please book your meal by 2nd December to allow the kitchen enough time to order the right amount of food.

Children in Need

Well done everyone, we raised £162 for Children In Need. A special thank you to Mrs Downing and our School Council for organising the day and to Miss Smith, Miss Naik and Miss McMahon's mom for baking cakes to sell

Christmas Fayre Wednesday 14th December at 1.15pm

This year we will be holding a Christmas fayre during the last week of term. We urgently require donations of teddies, cuddly toys, bric a brac, games, books and items for the tombola.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from the start of December and will be 50p a strip. Thank you to Mrs Downing who has managed to get us a 43 inch LG LED flat screen TV which has been donated by Forgewood, a local property company.

Please send items into school before Friday 9th of December

Pen Licence

Well done to Pavan and Jason in Yr6, Erica in Yr5 and Aroush in Yr4 who have all proven that their handwriting is neat enough to be rewarded with a pen licence. This means that they will now complete all their work in pen rather than pencil as they have mastered cursive writing and their work is always beautifully presented.

Reading Area Competition

Before half term we launched a competition which involved parents and children working together to design a new reading area. I delighted to announce that we have our second, third and fourth winners. Well done to Umaiza Mushtaq in Nursery, Roman Johnson in Reception and Charles Wood in Year 4 who worked with their families to design beautiful reading areas. All of the children have won a £20 book voucher

Children who have been praised this week:

	<u>Year 2</u> Mae and Xavier	<u>Year 5</u> Darlin and Sapphire
<u>Reception</u> Ateef and Younis	<u>Year 3</u> Walid and Kejsi	<u>Year 6</u> The whole class
<u>Year 1</u> Lewa and Dara	<u>Year 4</u> Aroush and Charles	

St. Matthew's attendance target is 96%

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 8.35am.

Anyone who arrives after 8.45am will be marked as arriving late.

Overall attendance for this week: 98%

Class with the best attendance: Year 5 with 100%

Class with the poorest attendance: Year 6 with 97%

Most punctual class: Reception, Yr2 and Yr3 with one child late

Least punctual class: Year 4 with five children late

INSPIRE Dates

<u>Nursery</u> Tuesday 4 th October	<u>Year 2</u> Thursday 29 th September	<u>Year 5</u> Monday 26 th September
<u>Reception</u> Tuesday 27 th September	<u>Year 3</u> Tuesday 27 th September	<u>Year 6</u> Tuesday 27 th September
<u>Year 1</u> Friday 30 th September	<u>Year 4</u> Monday 26 th September	

Diary Dates:

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Dinner

Thursday 8th December: Nativity

Tuesday 13th December: Stay and Play

Christmas Party

Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Fayre

Thursday 15th December: Christmas Parties

Friday 16th December: Break up at 1pm

School Trips

Reception: Snowdome 29th November

Year 1: Dudley Zoo 11th October

Year 2: Sea Life Centre 12th October

Year 3: Birmingham Museum 30th September

Year 4: Blists Hill 13th October

Year 5: The Space Centre 6th December

Year 6: Residential