



St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

9th September 2016

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Welcome back!

I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday. Thank you for sending the children back on time and in school in uniform, they all look very smart and ready to learn.

A big thank you to Mr Smith and his team for all their hard work over the summer, school is looking very clean and tidy. We have also had lots of work completed to improve school: the main entrance has been extended, the main school office has been refurbished and a new floor has been laid in the hall along with new blinds

Meet your child's new teacher!

Parents' evening is in October but we are keen that you have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher before then. With this in mind all teaching staff will be in the hall after school on Monday 19th September and before school on Tuesday 20th September and will be available for an informal chat. They will also provide information about the curriculum, timetables and general expectations for the year.

Don't worry if you're unable to attend as the information will be sent home however, it would be lovely to see as many parents there as possible.

Eid al-Adha

We would like to wish all of our Muslim families a happy Eid al-Adha. If you would like your child to attend morning prayers, and then come to school, this would be welcomed and your child's attendance will not be effected. If you would like to have the whole day with your child then families are allowed to take the day as a day of religious observance, however please be aware this will affect your child's attendance.

Children who have been praised this week:

	<u>Year 2</u> Rehan and Ryan	<u>Year 5</u> All of Year 5
<u>Reception</u> All of Reception	<u>Year 3</u> Chris and Samrawit	<u>Year 6</u> Ismail and Mahia
<u>Year 1</u> All of Year 1	<u>Year 4</u> All of Year 4	

General Consent Forms and Data Checking Sheets

Please read the forms being sent home today. By signing them you are agreeing to your child partaking in curriculum based activities within the local area. This could include visiting the park, swimming lessons or sports activities. The forms also show all the information we hold about your child. Please check the information carefully, make any amendments and return the form to school

Welcome Service

There will be a service in Church on Monday 19th September at 9am to welcome staff and children who are new to St Matthew's. Parents are welcome to attend

Stay and Play

Stay and Play starts again this Thursday, the 15th September. The session will start with a welcome breakfast followed by lots of messy play. All families with children who are under three are welcome.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th September: Welcome Service in church

Monday 19th September: (after school): Meet the teacher

Tuesday 20th September: (before school): Meet the teacher

Wednesday 5th October: Harvest Festival in Church

Thursday 6th October: School photos

Monday 17th October: Parents' evening

Friday 21st October: Break up for half term

Monday 31st October: Return to school