



**September 2019**

# St Matthew's News

"With God nothing is impossible"

"You are the light of the world"

## HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE



It is such a privilege to be writing this, as the Head Teacher of your school. We have had a wonderful start to the year and we are living and breathing our mottos: 'You are the Light of the World' and 'With God, nothing is impossible'.

A warm welcome to our new NQTs: Miss Plant and Miss Kayad, and our new children and families, who have joined our St Matthew's community.

Parents, our doors are open! You can join classes and take part in the learning. We have an exciting year ahead, so may I ask you to join myself and the Governors, in praying for all at St Matthew's.

Sonia Thompson

## ST MATTHEW'S DAY

St Matthew's Day took place on Thursday 26th September. A flurry of election fever gripped the school, as children from Year 1 to Year 6 presented their speeches, in anticipation of being voted onto our Young Leaders Council and House Captains Board.

***Well done to everyone who took part and congratulations to our winners.***

### Our new Young Leaders are:

- Year 1 - Nejmah and Joseph
- Year 2 - Lidya and Mahmoud
- Year 3 - Samuel and Sonique
- Year 4 - Rheem and Kayla
- Year 5 - Aleesha and Ryan
- Year 6 - Gissma and Ryan

### Our new House Captains are:

- Tutu - Zainab and Ahlam
- Nightingale - Sufien and Destiny
- Lewis - Canaan and Faith
- Parks - Fahad and Nejah



## A BIG THANK YOU...

to all parents who attended the "Inspire Parent Workshops". The teachers, from Reception to Year 6, went through the new homework requirements, as well as setting out their classroom expectations, regarding the: curriculum, behaviour and attendance.

At St Matthew's, we really do value our partnership with parents, so if you were unable to attend or would like more information, please arrange an appointment to see your child's teacher.



We would like to say a huge congratulations to the children and families, who took part in this year's summer reading challenge, at the POD Library.

Miss Thompson has presented a number of children with certificates, in assembly

and is extremely pleased that parents ensured that their children continued to read for pleasure, over the holidays.

**Please look out for lots more reading for pleasure news and activities, this year.**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Thursday 24th October 2019**

Y3 Harvest Assembly - 9.15am

Last Day of School at 3.15pm

**Friday 25th October 2019**

School Open - Parents Consultation Day

**HALF TERM HOLIDAYS**

26th October - 3rd November 2019

School re-opens on

**Monday 5th November at 8.45am**

This month, the whole school attendance is: 97.8%

The classes with the best attendance are Year 2 & Year 5 : 98%

The class with the best punctuality is Year 2, with 2 lates.