

St Matthew's News Issue 3

HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the 3rd Issue of St Matthew's News and Happy New Year to you all.

I am so excited to be back and I am looking forward to another great year of learning and growing together, in 2023.

Even though, the world is going through a difficult time with the cost of living crisis, we have much to be grateful for and we continue to pray for God's protection over our community and beyond.

Remember that our door is always open. Do call in or book an appointment, if you want to talk or need support.



Miss Thompson

MONEY MATTERS WEEK WITH HSBC

At St Matthew's and as part of our PSHE curriculum, we are teaching our children to be financial literate.

During the week beginning the 9th January, we had a special Money Matters week to focus in on this area. The children were able to work with Sandra Howes, HSBC Education Officer to explore how to:

- value money

- save

- budget
- make wise choices.

Our commitment has been recognised and St Matthew's will be receiving a certificate to celebrate this work.



Well done!

We are here to help!

At St Matthew's, we care about what is happening in our families lives.

We are here to help and have a safeguarding/wellbeing team to support and protect our children and families.

If you need help with:

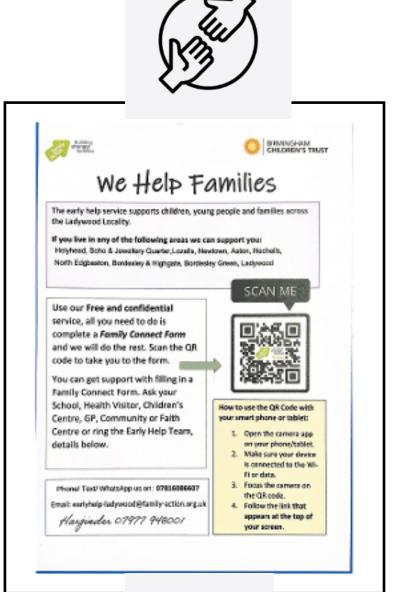
parenting finances food housing relationships uniform and clothes bereavement mental health special needs physical health

data or IT

We can direct you to services that can help you.

For confidential support, you can come in and see:

Ms Adams Miss Williams Miss Pringle





Coming up, in Spring 2:

Art and Design week, for the whole school, will be the 6th - 10th February

Reception - Painting - Mondrian/Pollock

What will we be covering and which artist/s will be inspiring us?

Year 1 - Printing - Galler

Year 2 - Sculpture - Goldsworthy

Year 3 - Collage - Klee/Matisse

Year 4 - Mosaics - Gaudi

Year 5 - Painting - O'Keefe

Year 6 - Graffiti - Ever/Banksy



Every child will have the opportunity to create individual pieces, which will be showcased in our

St Matthew's Art and Design Gallery, on Parents Consultation Day.



The focus of the assembly is the Holi,

which a Hindu traditional fesitival.

Other dates to look out for:

Number Day - 3rd February.

It is an opportunity to dress up in number clothes and support other children, through the NSPCC Charity.

Children's Mental Health Week - 6th - 12th **February**

This year's theme is Let's Connect.

Music Workshops/Concerts

This half term, we have lots of musically experiences in store for our pupils.

Reception and Year 1 will be having a Kodaly inspired workshop: learning about music through songs and rhymes.

- Year 2, 3 and 6 will be attending concerts at the Symphony Hall.
 - Year 3 and 4 will be working with the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire.

Year 5 will be doing a music and arts project with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.



