

St Matthew's News



Spring 1

Head Teacher's message

Welcome to our 3rd Issue of St Matthew's News: our first half term of 2024.

Your children have entered the season of 'connected' where we are enabling them to flourish and thrive in their community, at home and at school. We have had a busy half term with lots jam packed into it!

I want to say a huge well done to the children and teachers involved in Y3's Holi assembly. It filled me with joy to learn about another religious festival that is so vibrant and inspiring.

Just a reminder parents that if you would like support or advice on anything, then we will always do our best to try and help.

Have a peaceful week,

Miss Thompson



We're in 'Children's Mental Health Week'

During the last week of the half term, we have been learning more about mental health and discovering strategies to promote good mental health and well being.

This half term's theme has been '**My Voice Matters.**' We want our children to feel empowered to know that whoever they are, no matter their age, they have a voice that we want to hear. Take a look at some of our work!



Reception children learning about emotions!



Year 1's cup of positive-teas

Art Week

This half term, we have had Art Week. Our children have designed and made beautiful art work for our gallery. They have learnt about colour, sculpture, drawing and painting and used their knowledge to also create some wonderful writing. Do take a look on google classroom for more pictures from art week!



Shrove Tuesday

Thank you to the Aston and Nechells Parish and Reverend Fiona for organising Pancake's for the community. Our children had a wonderful assembly learning all about the season of Lent and the religious and historical significance of Pancake Day.



Even Miss Pringle and the teachers joined in!

Next Half Term

What's coming up in Spring 2

Dates for your diary

Our Spring 2 Assembly will be held by

Year 5 with the Easter Story

On Monday 18th March at 9:15



POETRY BY HEART

We've launched the Poetry by Heart competition as part of our reading for pleasure sessions.

Children can choose contemporary or historic poetry and learn it by heart. Their performance will be filmed and sent to be hopefully shortlisted as a winner!

The deadline to send entries is on **Thursday 28th March.**

Dates for your diary

Friday 23rd February—Teacher training day—School close to pupils

Friday 1st March—Safer Internet Day

Monday 11th March—KS1 history and geography week

Tuesday 12th March—Parent to school day (EY/KS1—AM, KS2—PM)

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On this day, we will be talking to your children about the need to practice being safe online. We will be using age appropriate resources to talk the children through choices that can be made to make sure the internet is used in a positive way to help the children get the most out of their learning.

