

ST MATTHEW'S NEWSLETTER

January 2021



"With God nothing is impossible"

"You are the light of the world"

HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year, even though the circumstances are not what we expected or would want.

Thank you so much for your continued support, we really do appreciate and value it.

It is such a pleasure and a privilege to be leading our school family, at this most challenging of times. We understand just how difficult remote learning can be but may I strongly encourage you to keep up the wonderful work you are doing.

Just a reminder, if you have any queries, questions, concerns or needs, please do contact the school office. Rest assured that we will do everything within our power to help.

Please continue to pray for all the staff at St Matthew's, as we continue pray for you.



Looking forward to February

**EXPRESS
YOURSELF**

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek

Place2Be's

**CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK**

1 - 7 FEBRUARY 2021

Next week, St Matthew's are looking forward to joining in with Children's Mental Health Week.

We start the week with a virtual assembly. Teachers' will share the link on the Google Classroom stream and it would be great if families could watch it together. Then, look out for daily activities and stories, that will celebrate children expressing themselves, which is this years' theme. It is going to be a great week.

Enjoy!

How to get the best out of remote learning

At St Matthew's, we are super duper proud of our remote learners.

It is great to see how engaged so many of you are on Google Classroom: attending LIVE lessons and uploading work. - well done and a big thank you to parents/guardians.

How can WE make it even better?

Follow these three top tips!

1. Stay connected to your friends and teachers.

Google Classroom has a stream - sign in between 9 - 9.30am. Check how everyone is doing.

Share positive comments about work.

Join your Live lessons, everyday and on time.

Turn on your camera.

See your teacher and your class mates, as you learn new things.



2. Establish a daily routine.

Everyone feels better when they make a plan of how their day will run. Always read the class timetable and try to follow it.

Have a little space to work and don't forget to exercise, rest and relax, with regular screen breaks.

Share devices so that everyone gets to do their work.

Be helpful to brothers and sisters.

This will help to keep you in tip top shape mentally and physically.

3. Keep talking

Being away from each other can be hard.

Talk to your teacher, your friends, your parents or your siblings, if you have worries or concerns.

Look out for a weekly call from you teacher/teaching assistant. You can share your feelings with them too.

We love to listen and help!

