



St Matthew's Friday Feature



Friday 9th December 2022

Christmas



"The KS1 Christmas play was really fun. The audience were very happy and clapped loudly. As part of the play, there were dances from Year 1 and Reception and lots of singing. In the play, I was a child from Poland and the Vicky played the angel who collected the children from Poland. Isaac was also an angel, and he collected the children from the USA."



A super well done to all our Year 2 children as this is the first time they have ever stood on a stage, and they were amazing. Thank you to all our wonderful teachers and TA's for making this such a memorable show.

Experience Christmas



"On Monday 5th December, Mrs Wyre's class went to St Matthew's church so that we could know more about the birth of Jesus Christ. First, the lady introduced us to the church and showed us the 5 stations. The first station was all about Mary and how she had a baby had such a far distance to travel to Bethlehem. The second station was all about the advent. Advent was all about the importance of lighting candles and how each week on the build up to Christmas we light different candles. Surprisingly, the lady was shocked about how early some of us put our Christmas decorations up! Station 3 was called 'the promises.' The promises were where we talked of the gifts given to the baby Jesus. We had to write down what we would like to give Jesus. I wrote, 'I'll give baby Jesus a teddy bear.'



Station 4 was the kitchen. The kitchen was where we talked about how Mary was in her kitchen when the angel Gabrielle visited her to tell her that she was going to have God's son. Station 5 was the Shepherd's story. The shepherd's story was all about how the shepherd's ate figs and bread on their journey to see the baby Jesus. Before we left the presents station, we gave our presents to Jesus and said 'Thankyou.' We had an amazing time!"



By Shantel



Applying for Reception School Places

The portal is now open for parents to apply for a school place in Reception for September 2023.

The closing date for Reception places (born between 1.9.18 and 31.8.19) is the 15th January 2023

More information on applying for a place can be found on the Telford and Wrekin website

https://www.gov.uk/info/20026/school_admissions/3247/applying_for_a_school_place

Christmas Raffle

We are running a Christmas Raffle this year for the hamper shown below.

£1 per ticket



Dates for your Diary

- 12/13 December—KS2 Performance
10.00am
- 14 December - Whole school flu
Vaccinations
- 14 December - Xmas Dinner Day
Xmas Jumper Day
- 15 December— Some of the Choir to
Rylands Nursing Home
- 15 December 6pm—Candlelit
Service at St
Matthews Church
- 16 December— Christmas party day
Mufti
- 19 December to
2 January - Christmas Break
- 3 January - PD Day
- 5 January - Miss Jeffreys class
Visit by Hoo Zoo
- 26 January - Young Voices
- 20 to 24
February - Half term
- 3 to 14 April - Easter break
- 26 to 27 April - Year 2 Kingswood
- 29 May to
2 June - Half term
- 5 June - PD Day
- 6 June - Back to school
- 7 to 9 June - Year 6 Arthog
- 21st July - Break up for summer

Well Done



Well done to Taiah who won the "Small but Mighty" trophy

Commando Joe

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| Compassion | Natalia |
| Truthfulness | Robert and Lucas |
| Generosity | Tiah |
| Respect | Seb and Amelia A |



Samaritans Christmas Appeal

We were once again amazed by the generosity of our parents for the Samaritans Christmas Appeal—especially considering the current hardships everyone are suffering.

Special thanks go out to Golden Bear Products in Hortonwood who donated a very large amount of teddies and toys for the appeal.



Polar Express Day

"On Thursday, the whole School got to enjoy a Polar Express Day for our memorable experience as part of our Cornerstones topic this Half Term. We all came into School wrapped up in our pyjamas for a truly magical day! The coldness and frost made it even more special, and we really felt like we were at the North Pole. Lots of classes were busy making food using the skills they've learnt and doing lots of crafts and writing activities all about the Polar Express. We enjoyed hot chocolate and marshmallows and decorated biscuits to have in the afternoon, whilst watching the film in our classes. We were so cosy, some of us even fell asleep cuddled up to each other!"

Everyone is definitely feeling magical and in the Christmas spirit now!"
Miss Jeffreys

