



Matthew's C.E (Aided) Primary School and Nursery Centre



'I can do all things because Christ gives me strength' Philippians 4:13

Friday Feature: 29th November 2024

This half-term we are focusing on the Christian Value of Trust



'My God is my strength in whom I trust.' Psalm 18.2

Please find attached to the feature the home school value that you can complete with your child at home.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Anti-bullying poster competition:

We would like to congratulate the winners of the Anti-bullying poster competition:

Georgia, Affino, Ollie and Kaella.

The prizes were vouchers to the Odeon cinema.

We would like to thank all the children that entered the competition. We were so impressed with all the entries. Children have obviously spent time and effort to produce some fantastic, informative posters and have obviously understood the importance of preventing bullying behaviour. We will be putting the winning posters on our school website and displaying the others around school.

Christmas Performances

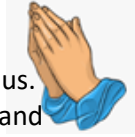
Our Christmas Performances are as below. The children are working hard to prepare these and we know they will be amazing!

11th Dec	10am	Nursery and Reception Christmas Performance (Miss Booles, Miss Williams and Miss Edwards Reception children).
12th Dec	2pm	KS1 Christmas Performance (Miss Plant and Miss Blocksidge with Year 1 from Miss Edwards)
13th Dec	9.30am	KS1 Christmas Performance KS1 Christmas Performance (Miss Plant and Miss Blocksidge with Year 1 from Miss Edwards)
16th Dec	2pm	KS2 Christmas Performance (Mrs Wyre, Mr Doughty, Mr Skelton, Mrs Barfield, Mr Bailey)
17th Dec	9:30am	KS2 Christmas Performance (Mrs Wyre, Mr Doughty, Mr Skelton, Mrs Barfield, Mr Bailey)



Weekly prayer

Dear Lord



Thank you for looking out for us.
We are grateful for your care and forgiveness.
We look forward to sharing kindness and laughter with family and friends.
Thank you Lord.
Amen

By 34 St Sophia

Pupils of the Week

Nursery	Robert
Reception :St Francis	Micaiah
R/1: St Teresa	Izla-Rose
1/2: St Nicholas	Sakhi
2: St Joseph	Paisley
3: St Cecilia	Shyla
3/4: St Sophia	Che
4/5: St Kateri	Jack
5/6: St Thomas	Peniel
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Readers of the Week



Reception :St Francis	Hunter
R/1: St Teresa	Angel
1/2: St Nicholas	Aurora
2: St Joseph	Willow
3: St Cecilia	Ala
3/4: St Sophia	Amiah
4/5: St Kateri	Elijah
5/6: St Thomas	Brandon
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Attendance Award

This week the attendance award has gone to



P.E. Days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Miss Edwards R/1 Miss Blocksidge 2 Mr Doughty 3/4 Mr Skelton 4/5	Miss Williams R Miss Plant 1/2 Miss Blocksidge 2	Miss Edwards R/1 Mrs Wyre 3 Mrs Barfield 5/6 Mr Bailey—6	Miss Williams R Mr Skelton 4/5 Mrs Barfield 5/6 Mr Bailey—6	Miss Plant 1/2 Mrs Wyre 3 Mr Doughty 3/4

Parent Code of Conduct

We are currently writing a Parent Code of Conduct as there have sadly been a few instances of verbal abuse against staff.

Can we please ask that you speak to all staff respectfully.

We will provide you with a copy of the policy when it is completed.

If you have any concerns or issues please make an appointment at the school office to speak to your child's class teacher.

Nursery Appeal

If anyone has any outgrown spare clothes for nursery we would be very grateful. Particularly socks and trousers/ joggers.

Emailing Staff

Please can we respectfully ask that parents do not email teachers direct as these may get missed. Please email the school office on A3358@taw.org.uk. Thank you

Future Dates

5th Dec	4.30pm	Carols by Candlelight
11th Dec	10am	Nursery and Reception Christmas Performance
12th Dec	2pm	KS1 Christmas Performance
13th Dec	9.30am	KS1 Christmas Performance
16th Dec	2pm	KS2 Christmas Performance
17th Dec	9:30am	KS2 Christmas Performance
18th Dec		Christmas Dinner day
19th Dec		Christmas Party Day
20th Dec		Last day of school
6th Jan		Back to school





National Online Safety

7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety

#WakeUpWednesday

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Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASK THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

Which websites do you enjoy using and why?

AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY. ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.



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How does this game/app work? Can I play?

SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANKS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD, FOR EXAMPLE: "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.



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Do you know where to go for help?

ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER. HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

Do you know what your personal information is?

YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT THINK ABOUT HOW IT CAN BE SHARED. HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED BEYOND THE INTENDED RECIPIENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS OR PHOTOS, AS INFORMATION SUCH AS THIS CAN SPREAD QUICKLY ONLINE.



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Do you know your limits?

CHILDREN MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF DEVICE OR GAME ADDICTION. TALK TO THEM OPENLY ABOUT HEALTHY HABITS AND ASK WHETHER OR NOT THEM SPENDING TIME ONLINE OR PLAYING A GAME IS AFFECTING THEIR SLEEP, PERFORMANCE AT SCHOOL OR IF THEY ARE GENERALLY LOSING INTEREST IN OTHER ACTIVITIES. YOU MAY LEAD ON TO ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSING THE INTRODUCTION OF TIME LIMITS WHEN AT HOME.

