

St. Matthew's

Church of England Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

27th November 2020



Dear Parents

This week we have been focusing on Road Safety and the children have been doing activities linked to this. It was great to see the children sharing the message of wearing something bright to be seen and keep safe when out in the dark near roads on Wednesday's 'Wear it Bright Day'. On Tuesday, Reverend Elisabeth talked to the children about the disciple, Paul, who knew that it was good to be different. He told people how Jesus said that we are all different, all equal and all special and the children thought about what it would be like if everyone was the same e.g. a footballer – who would drive trains or take our rubbish away? We discovered that everybody's job is important and special, and we how should celebrate our differences.

Thank you to Daniel for his thoughtful prayer that he wrote and shared with the school in assembly:

Dear God, please make every child safe on the road. Children must always look both ways before they cross the road with their parents. Amen.

Well done to the following children for their Responsibility Certificate from home this week: to Libby for always being kind with her friend Joshua when he is sad; to Ayla for feeding the cats without being asked; and to Ralph for lighting the candles safely by striking the match away from him and blowing them out.

Cobham Food Bank were grateful for the food donated by our St Matthew's families yesterday and that we had changed our harvest collection to the later date in November. It will help them to be stocked up for the run up to Christmas.

A big thank you to the Rowledge family for the amazing leaf clearing job that they did last weekend in the playground :) and a huge, belated thank you to Gerrit and his team who worked in the pouring rain the previous weekend, clearing the area around the PTA shed and taking all the rubbish away.

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in preparing our Christmas Fair replacement, 'Fair in a Bag,' for the children to take home today - and to Davina, Lisa and Helen for putting them together this morning. Included in each bag is a School Values Advent Challenge where the children can aim to demonstrate one of the values each day during Advent and write it on the list. They can bring their completed challenge list into school when we return in January and receive a congratulations certificate in assembly.

On Monday 30th November, we have an INSET day, so no school for children that day. On Wednesday 2nd December, we are having our Rainbow Mufti Day to raise money for a local Charity called the Rainbow Trust. Children can come dressed in rainbow mufti and bring a donation in. That day also happens to be an art day for the school so please don't dress children in their best clothes just in case paint or pastels are involved – children will wear aprons, but it is best to play safe.

New government guidance from 2nd December indicates that we can re-commence our after-school football, French, tennis and Holly Dance clubs, and these will be running again from **Wednesday 2nd** – great news!

Well done to George and Mae for finishing their sticker charts this week.

Have a super (long) weekend

Mrs Hutt

AWARDS OF THE WEEK



SUPERSTARS

Rabbits:	Kaia for working so hard this week.
Otters:	Sara for having such a lovely and positive attitude towards your work.
Badgers:	Sophie for working really hard, trying your best and helping the adults in school.

Wisdom Award:	R – Rocco for sharing his knowledge about road safety and being responsible crossing the road. O – Grace Mi for super responsible legendary line-ups B – Tilly, being really responsible and helpful when making our periscopes.
----------------------	--



Golden Tickets	Barnaby and Libby
-----------------------	-------------------



DIARY DATES

Monday 30 th November	INSET DAY
Wednesday 2 nd December	Rainbow Mufti for Rainbow Trust charity



<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>
<https://smile.amazon.co.uk>