



Dear Lord,

We pray that you can cure the sick and guide them so that they can enjoy life again. Look after every single soul in the Academy and let us follow in your footsteps.

Amen

**A prayer by Toni Grant, 6E:**

## An unusual visit!

This term children from Key Stage 1 have based some of their work on the popular children's book "The Tiger who Came to Tea" by Judith Kerr.

The children wrote invitations and menus and made sandwiches and cakes for the tea party. "We were very excited – especially when the beautiful tiger arrived! She said hello to us all and sang some songs with us. The tiger really enjoyed her tea and we had lots of fun!"



## Cake Sales!!

Hello everyone,

I am Sara from Press Gang and I'm going to tell you about the cake sale!! It's every Friday after school and it gets better every week!! You can have the delicious chocolate cake or the amazing popcorn or the lovely ice creams and last of all cupcakes that are amazing! With one bite you will feel like you're in heaven. I know that the kids are going to love them. All just for an amazing price of 50p and 25p!!

As well as cakes there is school uniform, so if you lose your PE kit or jumper you could buy one.

Thank you to the parents from the PTCG for making the lovely cakes and organising the sales. This is my article and thank you for reading – there are more articles coming soon.

**Sara Gashi, 6W**

## Bike Ability Course

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week some children from Year 6 attended a Bike Ability Course. We learnt how to do hand signals, looking behind our shoulders to see what's coming behind us, emergency stop and where to stop when you are going to left or right.

On the first day we practised on the playground and if we didn't know how to do hand signals and to do an emergency stop we would have to stay the next day and practise.



It got harder and HARDER but then it boosted our confidence and we had a fabulous week. Well done to everyone that passed all the levels. Even if you didn't pass well done! We would like to thank Fiona, Trevor, Alan, Nick and Dave for the course.

**Aida Daud and Alice Renshaw, 6W**

## Primary lates and safety rules

For the past few weeks the teachers and myself have noticed a lot of primary children arriving at school late and children not following the safety rules. These rules apply to everyone at St Matthew Academy. Children who are late or who break rules will suffer the consequences by having a 20 minute detention. If they have a detention for three days in a row they will get a red card and miss their entire lunchtime play. If students continue to break rules their parents will be invited in to talk to their form tutor or the Vice-Principal.



So remember to get to school on time and to follow the rules for everyone's safety.  
**By Naychelle Everett, 6E**

## The new prayer room and the east block

Hi this is Ashviny and Ria and we're going to tell you about the new east block. The builders started their work in the summer holidays and when we came back to school in September the sports hall had all been turned into lots of new classrooms and a new prayer room. Next year there will be a new sports hall at the back of the Academy. The prayer room is much bigger than the old one! Here is what our Chaplain, Jane told us in an exclusive interview:



"We love our new prayer room and can't wait to share it with all the students and staff at the Academy. The great thing about it is that it's three times as big so that we can get whole classes together for praise, worship and meditation, and all sorts of other prayerful activities. We feel very blessed to be in an Academy which cares

so much about Christ at the centre of our daily life and has given us such a lovely space to share with everyone. One of the windows is boarded up at the moment because we are waiting for some very special stained glass to be delivered. An artist is working on the window now and it should be here soon."

Jane and Carl are extremely happy and we are too!

**Ashviny and Ria 6W**

## Uniform reminder

St Matthew Academy has a very high standard of uniform and a consistent, strictly enforced uniform policy. So please remember that you must come to school in full, correct uniform every day. Thank you.

**Toni Grant, 6E**



<u>Class</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>%</u>
RE	Ms Williams	86.02
RW	Mrs Adjetey	82.86
1E	Miss Reid	92.31
1W	Ms Chick	90.82
2E	Ms Hooker	95.15
2W	Ms Galvin	95.50
3E	Ms Goldsmith	97.63
3W	Ms Bennett	91.76
4E	Mrs Race	97.88
4W	Mr Averis	98.08
5E	Mr Kirner	90.98
5W	Mrs Fairweather	98.21
6E	Ms Hatton	98.50
6W	Mr Armitage	93.82

## Attendance update 10-20 October

Congratulations to 6E and Miss Hatton who once again have the highest attendance, although this time they have been run very close by 5W and 4W so well done to them too. Reception attendance is disappointingly low this time. Parents please remember to only keep your child at home if they are really too unwell to be in school.