

# St Matthew Academy

St Joseph's Vale, Blackheath, London SE3 0XX

Headteacher: Ms Miranda Baldwin

Head of Primary: Ms Joanna Chick



28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: End of Year 6 Events

With us now entering the final half term of the academic year, we are turning our attention to how best to mark the end of the Primary journey for our Year 6 cohort. We have planned a range of exciting events for them and the purpose of this letter is to communicate the details of these to you. In some cases, your action is required to give permission for your child's participation. Therefore, please return the attached permission slip to your child's class teacher before Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

### 9<sup>th</sup> July: Overnight Stay

For this event, children will be camping out overnight in tents in the school playground. They should come to school in their own clothes along with a bag packed with:

- Spare clothes for the following morning
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Towel and shower gel / soap
- Sleeping bag.

During the day, children will take part in a range of outdoor activities such as orienteering in the local area, team building activities and forest school work. Lunch and dinner will be provided by school and the evening will then include further activities such as camp fire stories. They will then set up their tents (also provided by school) and spend the night sleeping under the night sky! In the morning, children will be given breakfast provided by school before finishing off their experience with a game of Rounders and be ready to depart school at 11:00.

This event requires us to book the appropriate catering requirements and so it is very important that we have an accurate idea of numbers by the 18<sup>th</sup> June in order to give the kitchen team time to order in the correct amount of food.

### 16<sup>th</sup> July: Leaver's Assembly – 2:30pm

This event will be an opportunity for children to reflect on their fondest memories from their time in the Primary phase and look ahead to the next stage of their education journey in the Secondary phase. Although the guidelines we have been given dictate that we cannot invite parents into the school to watch the assembly live, it will be posted on our YouTube channel on the same day for you to view and enjoy there at your leisure.

### 16<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Disco – 5:30pm-7:30pm

This event is often seen as the highlight of the year for the children. They will go home as usual at the end of the day and will return at 5:30 in their own clothes ready to be met at the front entrance and taken up to the drama studio which will be set up for their disco. There will be an optional dress theme for the event which will be communicated in due course, but of course, children are perfectly welcome to wear whatever they wish. As this is an after school event and we will be providing some catering, we will need to know who will be attending no later than Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

### 19<sup>th</sup> July: Production Screening

Over the course of the second half of the summer term, children will be engaged in putting together their end of year production. In years gone by, this has been a live stage event. However, due to the Covid related restrictions last year, we put on a hugely successful filmed production and intend to do the same again this year in light of the ongoing uncertainty around restrictions. There will be a live screening that you are most welcome to join via zoom on 19<sup>th</sup> July at 5:30. A zoom link will be sent to all parents on the day before the event.

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In addition to the events listed above, we will also be utilising the rich resources of the local area to run a number of day trips out. We will communicate the details of these to you in due course.

We really appreciate your support with these events as we look to mark the unique journey of our fantastic cohort of children. Further, your early response with the attached reply slips is greatly appreciated as it really does help us prepare as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr A Kohlbeck**  
Year 6 Teacher  
Assistant Head of Primary



**Mr M Henson**  
Year 6 Teacher  
Assistant Head of Primary



**Ms T Roostan**  
Year 6 Teacher

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Please complete both consent forms attached.

**Event: - Overnight Stay at School – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

Please complete the form and tick the appropriate boxes below.

<b>Child's name:</b>	<b>Class:</b>
<b>Permission:</b> <input type="radio"/> I give permission for my child to stay overnight <input type="radio"/> I DO NOT give permission for my child to stay overnight	
<b>Medical Needs:</b> <input type="radio"/> My child has medical needs listed below. I will provide all medication	
<b>Dietary Requirements:</b> <input type="radio"/> My child has dietary requirements that I have listed below:	
<b>Going Home:</b> <input type="radio"/> At the end of the event, my child will be collected by _____ <input type="radio"/> At the end of the event, my child has permission to go home alone	
<b>Parent Signature:</b>	<b>Parent Name:</b>
<b>Parent Contact Number:</b>	<b>Parent Contact Email:</b>

**Event: - Year 6 Disco – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – 5:30pm-7:30pm**

Please complete the form and tick the appropriate boxes below.

<b>Child's name:</b>	<b>Class:</b>
<b>Permission:</b> <input type="radio"/> I give permission for my child to attend the disco <input type="radio"/> I DO NOT give permission for my child to attend the disco	
<b>Medical Needs:</b> <input type="radio"/> My child has medical needs listed below. I will provide all medication	
<b>Dietary Requirements:</b> <input type="radio"/> My child has dietary requirements that I have listed below:	
<b>Going Home:</b> <input type="radio"/> At the end of the disco, my child will be collected by _____ <input type="radio"/> At the end of the disco, my child has permission to go home alone	
<b>Parent Signature:</b>	<b>Parent Name:</b>
<b>Parent Contact Number:</b>	<b>Parent Contact Email:</b>