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

Head of School: Ms Miranda Baldwin

20 May 2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

At SMA we are striving to ensure our curriculum offer is fit for purpose and includes opportunities for all of our pupils to explore each subject to a deeper level with a variety of opportunities for enrichment and independent learning.

As I am sure you can appreciate developing and planning an inspiring curriculum takes much time and thought, in order to begin our planning for next year we have invited in a guest speaker and are holding an extended planning session on **Wednesday 12th June 2019.**

Therefore, all secondary pupils will be dismissed from school at the end of P3 (12 midday).

The grab and go lunch menu will be available for all pupils who wish to have lunch before leaving the school site. We do advise that all pupils are encouraged to go straight home rather than visiting the local shopping centres.

Please ensure that your child uses the time gained from the early closure in a constructive way.

The Maths department will set a number of Hegarty tasks for every pupil on topics being covered at the moment to help guide them in the use of this time.

The English department has set the following task:

"School uniform should be banned: it limits creativity and stops children expressing themselves." Write a speech for your year group in which you argue your point of view on this subject. Your speech should be 600 words approx.

If you have any queries or concerns about the early closure or would prefer your child to be supervised in school, please email <u>info@stmatthewacademy.co.uk</u> in the first instance.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully

Emma Thurston Deputy Head Teacher

