

St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School

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www.stmatthews.kingston.sch.uk

E-Safety Tip

Ensure your child has set any online profile to private and is aware that if they don't, any content will be public and available to all.

Current Worship

Graciousness in ordinary times.

St. Matthew's Day – 21st September

Welcome Back

A huge welcome back to school, following the summer holidays. What an amazing summer it has been in terms of weather. We hope you and your family enjoyed it, relaxed and had fun! It has been great to see your children eager and excited and ready to learn with their new teachers!

A particular welcome to all our new Reception children and to new arrivals in other year groups- we wish you much success and achievement on your St. Matthew's learning journey.

St. Matthew's FOSMPS

A big thank you to everyone who helped at last Monday's 'Tea and Tissues' event and in any way at FOSMPS last year. Your commitment to raising funds for our school is appreciated by us all.

There are some exciting events planned for this year, including their 'Casino Royale Ball' planned for Saturday 13th October 7pm – 12am, cost £50. Please pay on School Gateway.

Secondary School Admissions

Year 6 pupils have been given a brochure with information relating to Secondary School Admissions 2019. **Please note the deadline for submitting your application is Wednesday 31st October 2018.**

Free School Meals

If your child is in Reception or in Year 1 and 2, they are automatically entitled to 'Universal Free School Meals'. However, if your child is in Years 3 and above, they may also be entitled if you receive any of the following (provided that you complete the form on Kingston Council's website). Please go to www.kington.gov.uk and search for Free School Meals and submit your application.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – If you apply on or after 1st April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

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Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a nut free School.

Hindleap Warren

Well done to all our 'Hindleapers' in Year 6 who had a wonderful time last week. Thanks especially to Miss Stubbington, Miss Wheeler, Miss Shelton, Mr Collard, and Mrs Clark for accompanying the children.

St. Matthew's Uniform Requirements – help us to develop a sense of belonging, community and pride.

Children should do their best to look smart and tidy in appearance.

The uniform is as follows:

- Grey pinafore dress or skirt
- Red and white check or striped dress (for summer term)
- Grey or black trousers
- Grey or black shorts (for summer term)
- White polo shirt
- School sweatshirt
- Plain white, grey or black socks/tights

P.E. kit

- Plimsolls or black trainers
- Black shorts
- White T-shirt
- Black track suit (optional)

All uniform/PE kit/ lunchboxes and water bottles must be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Art Aprons

Please can you sent an old adult shirt or an art apron into school for the children to use for their Art lessons.

Lost Property

A reminder to please check Lost property.



Reminder- Now that school has started, please ensure that any hair braiding from the summer holidays have been removed from your child's hair.



Furthermore, any hair bands or hair accessories that are worn should be red, black or white/natural coloured.