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We hope you have an enjoyable Easter Holiday!  
The children return to school on Wednesday 24th April.



**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**April 2019**

Tues 23rd Inset/staff training day (moderation) - School closed to pupils  
Wed 24th Children return to school  
Wed 24th Swimming starts (3H, Year 4, 5K, Sun Class, Yr 6 boys, booster)  
Thurs 25th Yr 6 trip to Harry Potter Experience  
Fri 26th Year 4 Design Technology activity day

**May 2019**

Tues 2nd Yr 4 trip to Reigate Hill  
Mon 6th Bank Holiday  
Thurs 9th 10am Reception Class visit to Redhill Library  
Thurs 9th 2.30 Yr 4 Varmints Tea Party!  
Mon 13th 10am Reception Class visit to St Matthew's Church  
Throughout May KS1 / Yr 2 SATS  
w/b 13th KS2 / Yr 6 SATS (Mon: SPAG; Tues: Reading; Wed & Thurs: Maths)  
Weds 15th Panathlon Event at Donyngs -Sun Class  
Tue 21st 9am Meeting for Yr1 parents re phonics check  
Tues 21st Cricket tournament at Merstham CC  
Thurs 23rd Lent Call Service at Southwark Cathedral  
Thurs 23rd 7pm Governors Meeting  
Fri 24th Inset/staff training day (assessment) School closed to pupils  
Mon 27th - Fri 31st Half term

**June 2019**

w/b 3rd Year 6 Bikeability  
Wed 5th Swimming: 3P, 4B, 5C, Sun Class, Yr 6 girls, Yr 5/6 booster  
Thurs 6th 9.15 - 11.30am KS1 Multi Skills at St Bede's  
Thurs 6th Yr 3/4 More able writers' workshop  
w/b 10th Yr 1 phonics screening check  
Weds 12th 'A Class Act' performance at Harlequin Theatre  
Fri 21st Rounders Tournament at Earlswood  
Wed 26th Science Show - whole school  
Fri 28th St Matthew's School Sports Day am: KS2; pm: KS1 / Rec  
Sun 30th Sunday Funday

**July 2019**

Tues 2nd Induction Day for new pupils. Yr 6 to secondary schools  
Wed 3rd District Sports am field events pm track events at RGS  
Wed 10th Last swimming lessons of year.  
Wed 10th 7pm Governors Meeting  
Thurs 11th Year 6 trip to "Connect with the Countryside"  
Fri 12th Year 6 Leavers' Service at Southwark Cathedral  
Wed 17th & Thurs 18th 7.30pm Production  
Fri 19th School reports sent home to parents  
Mon 22nd 3.30pm - 5pm Drop in parents evening  
Tues 23rd 10am Leavers' Service at St Matthew's Church  
Wed 24th Last day of term. Children go home at 2.30pm (No Stars)



What a successful spring term this has been for all of us here at St Matthew's!



As well as exciting day to day learning in our classrooms and outdoor learning areas, the term has been packed full of stimulating trips and activities, not forgetting our show! We do hope that the children enjoy the Easter break, spending time with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming them back to begin the summer term on Wednesday 24th April.

On Monday, we had our Performing Arts Production at the Harlequin Theatre which saw pupils in Years 1-6 sing, dance and play musical instruments. Both performances were incredible, with the children performing to a very high standard. It was a delight to see the children so smiley and confident on stage. We have received a large number of compliments and would like to thank everyone for their emails and cards. Thank you to all of the staff for their hard work leading up to the show and thank you to parents and other friends of our school, including the Mayor of Reigate and Banstead, who attended. Do take the opportunity to watch a short video of the dress rehearsal available on our new website!



On Wednesday, Year 2 enjoyed a great scientific day at Brighton University, particularly making slime! The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves (as did the staff!) Thank you to Professor Hal for organising this trip and inviting our children to the university.



Thank you to everyone who joined children and staff at yesterday's Easter Service at St Matthew's Church. The children retold the events of Holy Week through the songs of "Resurrection Rock" and the Gospel accounts read so well by Year 6 pupils. Everyone is welcome to attend the special Easter services at St Matthew's Church. Thank you, too, to parents who joined our nursery children and staff for their Easter sing-a-long!



Lastly, a big thank you to parents and volunteers who regularly give of their time and skills to support our children with their learning. We appreciate your commitment and care for our school and our children.



**Lent Appeal Week**

This week, there have been various activities around the school for our Lent Appeal. Among the popular activities were Year 6's Famous 50p Fair, and today we enjoyed seeing the traditional Reception Easter Bonnet Parade. Well done to all of the children who organised and participated in the activities. You should be very proud of yourselves. The proceeds counted so far total £414.82.



Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live." John 11 v 25 [The Bible]



