

# News from the Green



A newsletter sharing the goings on and celebrations from Matching Green Primary School.

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## Update from Mr Lorkins

We are now truly into the first week of Advent. We have spoken in Worship about the Christian tradition of Advent wreathes and enjoyed lighting the first candle of ours. This time of year is a great time of **Hope** for Christians and others in the build up to Christmas. It was great this afternoon to listen to Nightingale and Potter Class practising for their Nativity play. They did a fantastic job.

It has been a busy week and I would like to take another opportunity to thank our brilliant PTA for all the hard work they put into organising the enrichment morning, Santa Dash and Christmas Market. All three events were well enjoyed by all and it was great to see our community altogether in one place.

This week in Potter Class they have been learning about some of the key characters from the Nativity story and made their own Advent wreathes. Nightingale Class have been learning about 3D shapes and have made their own version of the London Eye. In Darwin Class, they have also been learning about shapes and learning about friction in science. In Nightingale Class, I was impressed to hear some of their metaphor and personification work ready for poetry writing next week.

Thank you all for your kind words following my injury. It means a lot and shows what a **Compassionate** and caring community Matching Green is. Enjoy your weekend.



## School Dinners

The week after half term will be Week Two of school dinners.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
pasta	crispy chicken	breakfast bap	tomato and bacon bake	fish fingers

Jacket potato will also be available as an alternative.

## Dates

- 8.12.25 - Year 3/4 Trip to Harry Potter World
- 9.12.25 - Year 5/6 trip to Braintree Museum
- 11.12.25 - Christmas Dinner Day
- 12.12.25 - Christingle Making
- 14.12.25 - Christingle Service
- 16.12.25 - Christmas Nativity/Concert
- 17.12.25 - Christmas Nativity/Concert
- 19.12.25 - Last Day of Term. Finish at 1.15pm
- 6.1.25 - First day back for pupils

## Reminders -

We promote healthy eating and a balanced diet in school. Please can we ensure, if you send your child with a snack for break, that it is a healthy one.



**Please can we remember that the yellow lines outside the school are a reserved space that provides room for the emergency services to arrive and park in so that they can get into the school quickly if urgent help is needed. These must be kept clear at all times.**



Please can you ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly named. We have had quite a lot of lost property, already this term, and we want to make sure it can all be returned to the correct owner.

**The PTA have lots of preloved uniform to sell. This is sold at a great price and raises money for the school. Please use their online shop to purchase <https://uniformerly.co.uk/search-listings/?q=&c=7929>.**

Many thanks

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# CELEBRATE!

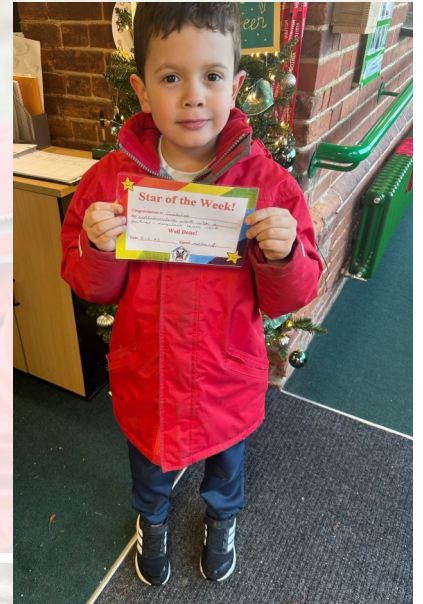
**Well done to our Stars of the Week this week.**



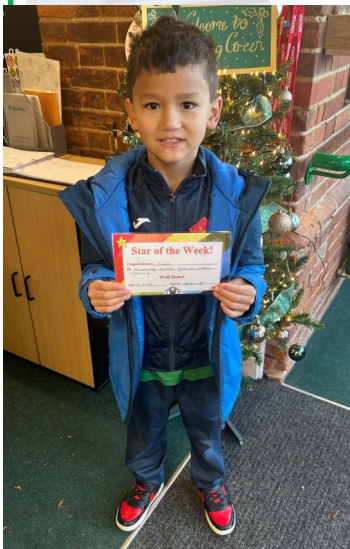
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Isaac - Year 5



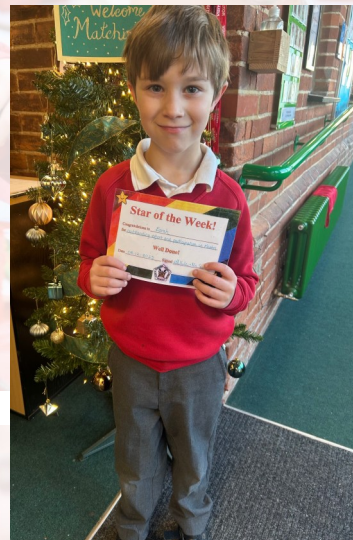
Gabriel - Year 3



Zach - Year 3



Ava - Year R



Ezrah - Year 2



Orla - Year 6

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## 75 Club

Each month we have a draw where the holder of the winning number will win some of the prize fund collected. You can purchase a number for £2.50. Please speak to the office or a member of the PTA to join and stand a chance to win.

September winners were:

- 1st - Peter Howes
- 2nd - Sarah Woods
- 3rd - Chris Warner

## Easyfundraising

If you are online shopping please click on this link first. A percentage of the money you spend will go towards the school at no extra cost to you. We have raised over £3000 using this service so far. An 'easy' fundraising opportunity for school.

[https://  
www.easyfundraising.org.uk/](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/)

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# BREAKING NEWS

## Christmas PTA Events

Thank you to the PTA for all their support this week. We raised £400.89 at the Christmas Market, £208 at the Santa Dash and the School Council raised £66. Thank you



## Road Safety

On Wednesday, Potter Class and Year 5 had Road Safety Workshops. They enjoyed learning about how to stay safe on the roads through practical workshops.



## Potter Class - Advent Wreath

Potter Class enjoyed learning about Advent wreaths in R.E. They learnt about how they are a Christian tradition that is used to count down to the start of Christmas. They enjoyed making their own.



## Christmas Enrichment Day

Thank you to the PTA for a fantastic day on Monday. The children had great fun with Christmas crafts and the Santa Dash was a hit. It was also a very successful Christmas Market. Well done to everyone involved.

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