

News from the Green



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

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Friday 27th March 2026

Update from Mr Lorkins

We have reached the end of our second term of the year. It was a great experience having everyone together at St Mary's Church for our Easter Service on Tuesday. Thank you to Reverend Julia, and all the children and staff, for leading and preparing for a great service.

The Easter story reminds us of the power of **Hope**, love, and new beginnings. It teaches that even in difficult times, kindness and forgiveness can transform situations for the better. As we celebrate this season, we are encouraged to reflect on compassion, look after one another, and appreciate the fresh start that spring — and the Easter message — brings.

We have spent a lot of time in worship over the last two weeks thinking about the Christian story of Easter. We have thought about the **Compassion** shown by Jesus and those of his disciples and friends. We thought about how we can all make small sacrifices to help others and make a community a place where we are all willing to help others and make our school a great place to learn, make friends and memories in.

One particular group of people I would like to say a huge thank you to is our PTA who sacrificed their own time to organise and run a fantastic Easter enrichment morning on Monday. They spent many hours preparing crafts and organising a great Easter Egg Hunt for all our pupils. It was great to see all the school together. Thank you.



Thank you for all your support with fundraising over the last two weeks. For Red Nose Day last Friday we raised just under £300. We have also had some incredibly generous sponsors for our Mini Marathon on Thursday. We will share how much we raised after the Easter Holidays. You can still send your sponsors in if you have not already.

I hope you all have a fun and relaxing Easter holidays with time to spend with family. We are looking forward to seeing you all again in the Summer Term and more opportunities to learn with our heads, hearts and hands experiencing "life in all its fullness". See you all on the 13th April.



Dates

- 13.3.26 - First day back of Summer Term
- 14.4.26 - PTA National Gardening Day
- 16.4.26 - PGL and SATs Meeting - Yrs 5-6
- 27.4.26 - Class Photographs
- 27.4.26 - Eco Refill Shop
- 4.5.26 - May Day at the Green
- 11.5.26 - Year 6 SATs Week
- 20/21.5.26 - Year 6 Bikeability
- 22.5.26 - 160th Foundation Celebration Worship
- 1.6.26 - INSET Day
- 2.6.26 - Year 4 Times table Check
- 8.6.26 - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
- 8 - 10.6.26 - Shakespeare PGL Residential
- 15.6.26 - PTA Fathers Day Gift Room and Fathers Day lunches all week
- 22.6.26 - Assessment Week
- 6.7.26 and 7.7.26 - Year 6 Performances
- 10.7.26 - PTA Inflatable Afternoon and Summer Fete
- 16.7.26 - Leavers' Worship and Lunch for Year 6 parents
- 17.7.26 - Last Day of Term

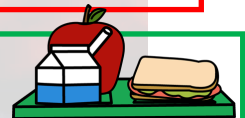


Reminders and News -

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>.

School Dinners

Next week will be Week Two of School Dinners.



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

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CELEBRATE!

Well done to our Stars of the Week this week.



Blake - Year R



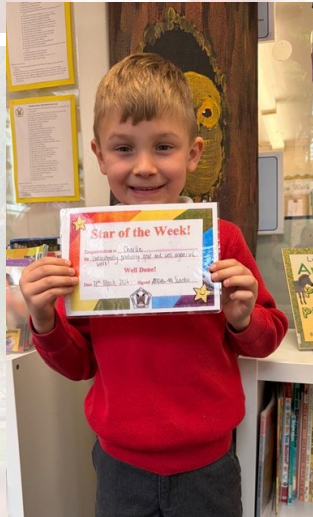
Alice - Year 5



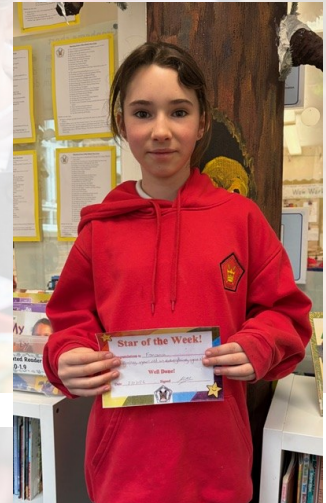
Finley - Year 1



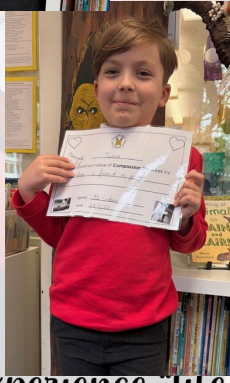
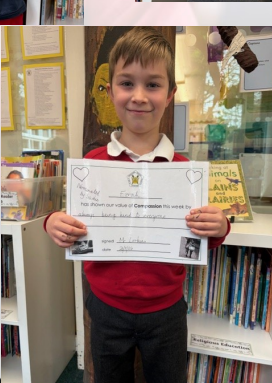
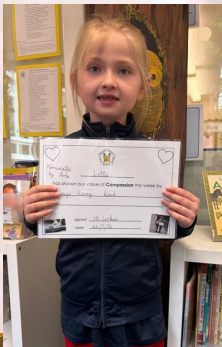
Brooke - Year 4



Charlie - Year 2



Francesca - Year 6



These are some of our Compassion certificate winners this week. They have show compassion and kindness to others in school.

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BREAKING NEWS
LIVE

It was lovely to see our whole school community at St Mary's Church on Tuesday for our Easter Service and it was great to have Reverend Julia back leading it. Well done to all the children and staff for their hard work preparing for the service and for putting up with my awful singing.



On Thursday, we had our first Value Worship. As we have been thinking about **Compassion** this term each class shared something they had learnt about this value. Potter Class shared some hearts of compassion, Nightingale Class shared the story of the Lost Sheep, Darwin Class read some poems and Shakespeare Class produced some creative pieces about compassion..



Today we were lucky to be visited by Mrs Nicholls, one of our governors, who brought in one of her new-born baby lambs to show the children.



All the pupils tried so hard for our Mini Marathon yesterday. Thank you for all the kind sponsors and donations.



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At our last Outdoor Club of the term we had a campfire and roasted marshmallows, despite the cold, hail and winds.

On Wednesday, Nightingale Class had a fantastic time at Hertfordshire Zoo. They learnt lots about animals and had a great end to their topic about Animals. All the staff were really impressed with how engaged and well behaved they were.



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NATIONAL GARDENING DAY

TUESDAY 14TH APRIL

INVITE TO ALL GRANDPARENTS!

Please join the children on national gardening day, where we will be putting down our pencils for the chance to get our hands dirty.

Please bring some gardening tools with you

John House 09:30 - 10:30
Mark House 10:55 - 11:55
Mathew House 1:05 - 2:05
Luke House 2:05 - 3:05



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