

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

This week, Potter Class have been learning number bonds to ten and have been learning songs for our Easter Service. Nightingale Class have been learning about tally charts and data collection and have continued their topic about Kenya. Darwin Class have been practising their maths skills with fractions and writing short stories. In Shakespeare Class they have been multiplying and dividing decimals and have been practising their grammar skills.

In worship this week we have been building towards Easter by learning about Christians beliefs about Palm Sunday and Holy Week up to Last Supper. We learnt how Jesus showed **Compassion** through the sacrifice he was willing to make for the whole world. We then spoke about how we could make sacrifices to help others, such as sacrificing some of our free time to help our adults at home. I hope some of them did.

We had a visit, on Tuesday, from some of the residents in the village who attended the school themselves. The children really enjoyed talking to them about their experiences and they loved coming back to see how it had changed. It was great to see pupils old and new sharing their memories of Matching Green. This will form part of our Foundation Week in May.

I took four of our pupils to Upshire Primary School in Waltham Abbey on Thursday. They took part in a Performance Poetry competition. They all tried really hard and did a fantastic job making us proud. We didn't win but the children were determined to head back next year demonstrating our value of **Endurance**.

We hope you all have a great weekend, hopefully in the sunshine. See you on Monday.

Dates

20.3.26 - Red Nose Day

23.3.26 - PTA Easter Enrichment

24.3.26 - Easter Service at St Mary's

25.3.26 - Nightingale trip to Hertfordshire Zoo

26.3.26 - Mini Marathon

27.3.26 - Last day of term

13.3.26 - First day back of Summer Term

14.4.25 - PTA National Gardening Day

11.5.26 - Year 6 SATs Week

22.5.26 - 160th Foundation Celebration Worship

1.6.26 - Year 4 Times table Check

8.6.26 - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check



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

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A reminder that on Tuesday (24th) we are holding our Easter Service at St Mary's Church in Matching. Please arrive from 8.45am for a 9am start. If you have any issues with taking your child to the church please contact the school office.

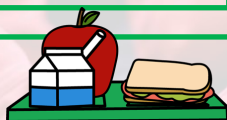
From Monday Mrs Dean will be off for a planned operation for six weeks. Mrs Howes will be covering some extra days but will be having to cover both roles. We wish Mrs Dean a speedy recovery.

As next Friday is the last day of term we will be, as usual, finishing at 1.15pm.

Please can you ensure your child comes into school with a named water bottle, this is particularly the case as we move into next term and the weather is becoming warmer.

School Dinners

Next week will be Week One of School Dinners.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pizza	curry	toad in the hole	mac and cheese	nuggets

Jacket potato will also be available as an alternative.

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CELEBRATE!

Well done to our Stars of the Week this week.



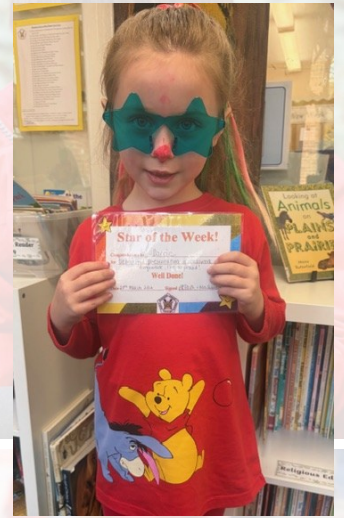
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Amelia - Year 3



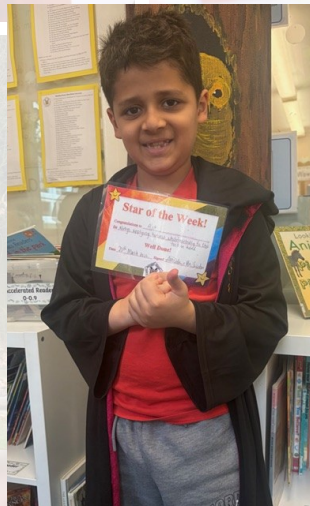
Harry - Year 4



Darcie - Year 1



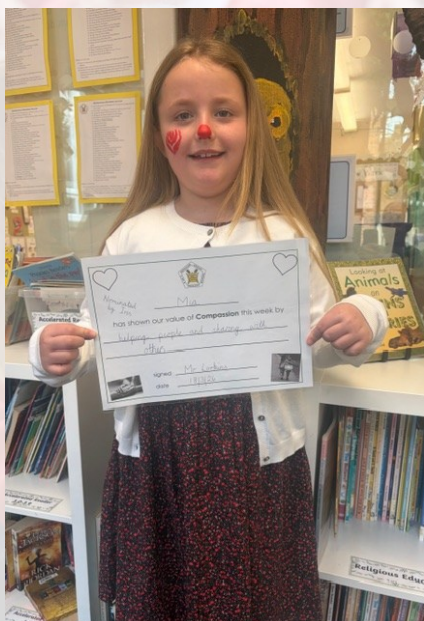
Xenia - Year 4



Ajit - Year 2



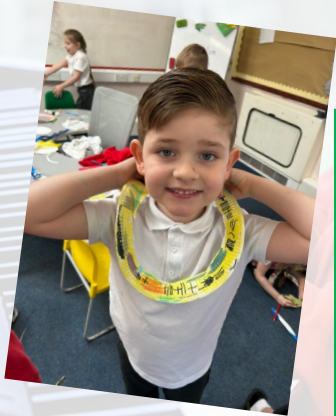
Arthur - Year 5



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

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When learning about Kenya, Nightingale Class made necklaces similar to those worn by the Maasai tribe that leave there. They found out about their culture and customs and how they live.



On Tuesday, some former pupils from the village came in to speak with the Year 5s and 6s about their memories of being at Matching Green School. They will be writing up some of these memories for our Foundation Week.



Four of pupils went to a Poetry Performance competition at Upshire Primary School. They did extremely well and made us proud.



Learning with our heads, hearts and hands to enjoy "life in its fullness".