



## DIARY DATES

**Monday 22nd April** - Easter Monday.  
**Tuesday 23rd April** - Start of Term 5 - no school led clubs in the first week  
**Wednesday 24th April** - Whole School Eastertide Service, 9.15am, St Matthew's Church.  
**Wednesday 24th April** - Group of Year 3 pupils to School Games Mini-Tennis tournament.  
**Thursday 25th April** - MEND (Movement, Exercise, Nutrition, Do It!) Coffee Morning, 9am, School Hall, ALL WELCOME.  
**Thursday 25th April** - Year 6 Spanish language trip to St James's Park to meet our partner school from Tenerife.  
**w/b Monday 29th April** - School Led Cubs begin (information about clubs for terms 5 and 6 to follow).  
**Monday 6th May** - Bank Holiday – no school.  
**Monday 13th May** - Year 6, KS2 SATs Week.  
**w/b 20th May** - Reception Class Balance Bike training.  
**Friday 24th May** - 3.30pm, End of Term 5.  
**Monday 3rd June** - INSET Day - no school.  
**Tuesday 4th June** - Start of Term 6.

## "YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

Along with our motto of Belonging, Believing, Achieving, the verse "You are the light of the world" is part our school vision. We have learnt the song 'Siyahamba' in Collective Worship this term and it captures our motto and vision in one verse. The first verse of 'Siyahamba' is in Zulu and the children have learnt the song in English and Spanish. Would you like to translate the words of this special hymn into another language to add to the sense of 'Belonging' within our school? You can bring your translations of this hymn into school after the Easter holidays - let's see how many languages we can sing!

*We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. (x2)*

*We are marching, we are marching, ooooooh,  
We are marching in the light of God.*

## TERRIFIC TERM

It's been a busy term with lots of events taking place in and out of school. Year 4 visited the Science Museum this week where members of staff from the museum and members of the public congratulated the class on their exemplary behaviour. The Year 3 class visit to Wagamama was lots of fun and the children enjoyed trying lots of delicious ingredients, Alfie said "We tried pickled carrots! I hadn't eaten them before." Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their learning walk to St James' Park. Evie said "I liked looking at the patterns in the trees."



## PARENT FEEDBACK

Thank you to everyone who completed the Parent Questionnaires during Parents' Evenings recently. All responses will be published on the school website.

- My child is happy at this school - 99%
- My child feels safe at this school - 100%
- My child is well looked after at this school - 100%
- My child makes good progress at this school - 100%
- My child is well taught at this school - 100%
- This school ensures the pupils are well behaved - 98%
- This school deals effectively with bullying - 95%
- This school responds well to any concerns I raise - 100%
- I would recommend this school to another parent - 100%
- The school is well led and managed - 100%

"Fantastically run school. Thank you to all the staff."  
"Child thriving, enjoying each day."

"Staff very approachable and work to a high standard."  
"He loves St Matthew's. We feel lucky to be at this school"

## FAREWELL (...for now!)

At the beginning of next term, Mrs Marshall will be going on maternity leave. Miss Kendall Jess will be joining us after Easter to teach Year 6 whilst Mrs Marshall is away. We will say a temporary farewell to Mrs Marshall in the first Celebration Assembly after the Easter holidays, please do join us if you can.

## LENT APPEAL

The School Council have nominated '[Mercy Ships](#)' as their chosen charity to support during Lent. Donations can be made via your ParentPay account if you would like to contribute to this worthwhile cause.