



St Matthew's School Newsletter

29th January 2016

Kindness in St Matthew's

You may remember that a film was made about our anti-bullying week last term. The film is now completed and can be viewed on our website at http://www.stmatthews.cambs.sch.uk/website/films_1/. It is a great testimony to the work of the staff and children of the school.



"Our Cambridge" International Week at St Matthew's

Next week is "International Week" at St Matthew's. We will be celebrating the diversity, the different nationalities and cultures, to be found in our school community and in Cambridge. There will be a variety of lessons, activities, visitors and trips taking place across the school. We will also be having a visit from the "Learning Bus"

Well done to our team of teachers planning the week (Mrs Bushen, Mrs Collard, Ms Ingersent and Miss Cercil), and thank you to all of the parent volunteers taking part. We look forward to a great week.

Punctuality

A reminder to parents that the school days starts at 8:45am.

We expect children to be in the lines to be taken to their classrooms at 8:45. Children arriving after this time may miss the morning register and if so they will be marked late.

The school gate closes at 8:55am. Children arriving at this time will definitely have missed the morning register. These children have to go to the school office (with their parent if the parent is bringing them to school) to fill in the late book to make sure they are on the register for the day.

We want to emphasise that children are still late if they arrive after 8:45, even if they arrive early enough to not need to fill in the late book. Arriving late means the child may disrupt learning for other children, as well as missing their own learning time.

Volunteering at St Matthew's

You may have already seen our letter calling for regular volunteers to help with various "catch up" programmes to help children with their learning, and also for bilingual volunteers to support in our French classes. You can find more details in the volunteering section of our website here:

www.stmatthews.cambs.sch.uk/website/regular_volunteering/

Twilight at the Museums - Wednesday 17th February 2016, 4.30 – 8.30pm

**It's amazing what you can see when the lights go down...
Discover the excitement of Cambridge Museums after dark**

Children from St Matthew's will be performing alongside children from other primary schools at the Museum of Technology at 5:00 pm on Wednesday 17th February 2016. The performance is part of "Twilight at the Museums" - see below and the attached poster for more details. We would love for families and friends to be there to support them!

During February half-term, make the most of those long winter nights and join museums and collections across the city as they open their doors for an evening of FREE after dark fun. With drop-in activities and themed trails across 11 locations, there is plenty for families to enjoy.

Embark on a hunt for gadgets and gizmos at The Whipple Museum; spot the difference between Arctic and Antarctic animals with The Polar Museum; find dinosaurs lurking in the shadows of the Sedgwick Museum; and don't miss the 'Horrible Histories' music performances and daredevil fire jugglers at the Cambridge Museum of Technology.

So remember, Wednesday 17 February 2016: wrap up warm, grab a torch and get ready for adventure!

www.cam.ac.uk/museums/twilight

*There are **FREE family friendly activities from 1pm**, including music, singing, body percussion and sound recording & sound editing activities.*

*The **foodPark** will be there from **4-8pm** serving a variety of food with child-friendly portions and prices. There will also be **entertainment** throughout the event such as **fire jugglers and bike pedalling illuminations, films and sound installations**.*

Remember to wrap up warm for this event and wear comfy shoes, as much of the entertainment will be outside! All children must be accompanied by an adult.

A poster about the event is overleaf. You can also find a poster about the "History Works Family Fun Day", also at the Cambridge Museum of Technology, on 21st February 2016.

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Twilight at the Museums SOUNDS OF STEAM



Explore the atmospheric spaces by torchlight and experience the museum spaces with sounds you have never imagined before!

Wed 17th February | 4.30pm - 8.30pm
Cambridge Museum of Technology, CB5 8LD
Admission: FREE



STEAM Creative History & Sound

Activities: Family Fun Day

Drop in any time 1pm - 4.30pm

Join in family-friendly activities suitable for children and adults including 'guerilla' art activities inspired by the new history trail, body percussion to re-enact sounds found in the museum, singing classes to learn the newly commissioned Horrible Histories style songs about the pumping station, workshops to write your own jokes or poo rhymes, recording sessions to collect and amplify museum sounds! For further information please go to: www.creatingmycambridge.com.

'Twilight at the Museums: Sounds of Steam'

Drop in any time 4.30pm - 8.30pm

Explore the atmospheric spaces by torchlight and experience the museum spaces with sound tours produced by Historyworks, projected films co-created by Cambridgeshire school children and young people, music performances including new songs about the history of the pumping station by CBBC's Horrible Histories songwriters. Be inspired to try out some hands-on activities. Pop-up foodPark by the Cheddars Lane entrance. Children's portions and prices. Bring your torch, wrap up warmly and wear sensible shoes!

Bring your smartphone or tablet to test out the new trail!



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Family FunDay

CREATIVE & DOING ACTIVITIES



Join us at the Museum for a taster day of creative thinking and doing activities for children and adults alike. All Welcome!

Family Fun Day

Drop in any time 1pm - 5pm

The family funday will take inspiration from the past, present and future of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths and will include Art workshops to illustrate Cambridge's history of technology, using Minecraft to recreate historic buildings, pop-up moving-part chimney cards, creative newspaper engineering sessions, balloon-powered cars, robo crocodile coding, and spectacular rocket making and launching!

The future will be represented by the ingenuity of families participating, and supported by volunteers from Cambridge Museum of Technology Makespace and CamCreatives who will share and showcase Robots, Zoetropes, and prototypes for new inventions!

For further information please go to: www.creatingmycambridge.com

Walking the Really Horrible Hidden History of Cambridge! 11am to 1pm

Starts & Ends at the Riverside entrance of Cambridge Museum of Technology CB5 8LD

Join Professor Helen Weinstein, and Allan Brigham for a 90 minute guided walk discovering the stinking industrial history of Newmarket Road, Bamwell Priory, Stourbridge, Loper Chapel, Coldhams Common and more. The walk ends with a welcome from curator Pam Halls and self-guided tours of Cambridge Museum of Technology. To secure your place please go to: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/abbayward-history-walk-tickets-19478865812>



Sunday 21 February | 1pm - 5pm
Cambridge Museum of Technology, CB5 8LD
Admission: FREE

