



Matthew Arnold Primary School

Developing True Potential

Newsletter May 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

As usual we have had lots going on in school; trips, residentials, visitors and great learning opportunities in all our classes. There is so much going on and so much to be positive about in Matthew Arnold. We are looking forward to the rest of the summer term and excited for what this may bring.

The staff continue to work unbelievably hard on behalf of your children and, as always, your support makes a huge difference. Whether it's helping with reading at home, ensuring good attendance, or encouraging a positive attitude to learning, these small actions have a lasting impact.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Evans

School Attendance **93.7%**

At Matthew Arnold, we aim for all children to have the best possible school attendance. Good attendance helps children feel confident, stay on track with their learning and build strong relationships with others within the school.

We often invite parents to meetings to discuss attendance—we are here to work with you to achieve the best outcome for your child.

These meetings are an opportunity to

- Discuss your child's attendance in a supportive, non-judgmental environment
- Share any concerns or challenges your family may be facing
- Explore practical ways we can support you and your child moving forward

Please attend where possible, or rearrange if the date is not suitable. It is really important we work together to make sure your child gets the best they can from their time at Matthew Arnold.



Search for our account on Instagram:

matthewarnoldprimary



PGL Residential

Year 4 and 5 had an absolutely fantastic residential to PGL. Their behaviour was brilliant and they represented our school so well. We were really proud of them. All the children showed resilience at the activities, even when they took them out of their comfort zone!

Make sure you see more photographs of our adventures on Instagram!

Year 6 are soon off on their residential to Glan-Llyn, which we know will be a great few days. We hope the weather is kind to them!



Bubble fun in Early Years!



Ready, Respectful, Safe



Benedicts Law

You may have heard news about new laws which come into force from September to help support allergy safety in school. We are awaiting direction on whole school training so staff can recognise and respond to anaphylaxis and have easy access to **emergency adrenaline auto-injectors (AAIs)** where needed.

We also have individual healthcare or allergy action plans for pupils with diagnosed allergies and are looking to improve **communication and record-keeping** around allergies and allergic reactions. It is really important that if your child has an allergy, you always inform us and keep us up to date with any chang-

3 year old nursery places available from September 2026
2 year old nursery places available from January 2027

Part time / full time depending on circumstance—please phone the school office for more detail

Lost Property

There is a clothes rack of lovely lost coats by the lost property—please check if your child has misplaced their coat.

All clothes / coats should be clearly named so can be returned to their owner

Key Dates

11—14th May	Y6 SATs
18th May	Summer Reading Café
1st June	Y4 Multiplication check
5th June	Non uniform for Enterprise donations
8th June	Phonics screening
10—12 June	Y6 Glan Llyn Residential
12th June	Y2 class assembly
16th June	am KS2 Sports day
17th June	am KS1 Sports day
1st July	Y6 Secondary transition day
8th July	Enterprise event
10th July	Reception Graduation
17th July	Y6 Leavers assembly



Summer Reading Café

Come and share a story with your child(ren) and enjoy some summer refreshments!

Monday 18th May

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." - Dr. Seuss

Please see below for the timings for each class:



Year 1	9:00 - 9:30am
Year 2	9:45 - 10:15am
Year 3	11:00 - 11:30am
Year 4	1:15 - 1:45pm
Year 5	2:00 - 2:30pm
Year 6	2:45 - 3:15pm



We look forward to seeing you there!



School closes 2pm
Friday 17th July for
summer break

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