

WC: 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Welcome to our home school communication! Each week you will get an overview of the class learning and will be set some home tasks too, including reading. Home school communication books should be returned to school on a **Wednesday**.

Please go to our class page on the school website - <https://www.st-matthewsbloxam.co.uk/>. There are lots of photographs showcasing all our amazing work.

| Please find below the summary of our week in school.                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>English</b>                                                                   | This week, we introduced our new book, 'The Emperor's Egg.' We made our predictions, read the story and pretended to be penguins! We then imagined what it would be like in Antarctica and wrote a description of the setting. Next week, we will be rewriting the story.                     |
| <b>Maths</b>                                                                     | We have started our new topic, 'Place Value Within 20.' We have been understanding numbers to 20. We have been using ten frames to make the numbers. Next week, we will continue learning place value.                                                                                        |
| <b>Science</b>                                                                   | Our theme is animals, including humans. We have been learning all animals' classifications, and we classified (grouped) the different animals into the five main groups- mammals, amphibians, reptiles, fish, and birds. Next week we will continue learning about animals, including humans. |
| Homework tasks                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Remember to keep reading every day!</b>                                       | <b>Record your reading here:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| Please can you trace and write the numbers to 20 in words and digits?            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Diary dates:                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

The children will receive spellings each week, and we will assess their knowledge every Wednesday. Please help your children learn the spelling we will start this from next week.

This half term, PE will be on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays**. Children should come to school in their PE kit.

Many thanks,

Mrs. Whitell, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs Watts