



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 3rd October – Individual school photos

10.30am – 12.00pm Saturday 7th October – Saturday Club

Friday 13th October - Quiz night

Thursday 19th October – Discovery Day and Parent's evening

Friday 20th October – Harvest Trip to the Food Bank and end of term

Tuesday 31st October – Halloween afternoon fun (dressing-up clothes optional)

After another busy two weeks we are already half way through the term. It has been lovely to see the Reception children settle so well into the new routines and the returning pupils adjust to their new classes. If you are interested in becoming more involved in the school we are looking for a **parent governor to be part of the St Martins Garden Primary School and MCC governing body**. If this is a role you would be interested in please don't hesitate to contact me for further information.

Autism course and support group

There is a flier attached offering cheap places for parents to attend the Autism South West conference on 3rd November. There are lots of interesting speakers and will offer lots to parents wanting to know more about Autism and also strategies to support their children. The first 50 parent places will cost only £10 so it offers great value for money. Also attached is a flier for a parent support group called Faces for parent's of children on the autistic spectrum, there are some parents already using the group and it comes highly recommended.

Harvest Collection

As in the previous two years we will be collecting tinned and packaged food for the Genesis Food Bank in the centre of Bath. We ask for you to send in items from the list attached to the newsletter. The children will go into Bath on the park and ride bus to deliver the items to the food bank. It is always a lovely way to round off the term and the children enjoy seeing their donations going to good use. We might even sneak in a little surprise trip to the train station as well!

FOMCU

It was wonderful to see so many faces at the first FOMCU meeting of the year. Thanks go to those people that give up so much time to coordinate things. All members of FOMCU give their time up voluntarily. Please do offer to help as the fundraising directly benefits **all** of the children at the Margaret Coates Centre.

Quiz Night

We have arranged a quiz night for the 13th October and hope that as many of you and your friends and family will be able to attend. Please see attached flier for further details. A letter came home at the start of the week with a tear off slip for requests for tickets.

Thank you

Michael Bogg, Centre Manager





Silver Class – In Maths we have carried on looking at patterns using different shapes and colours, and playing lots of games to help us identify different numerals, such as racing to the correct number. We have enjoyed using our outdoor area, and particularly enjoyed the mud kitchen! We've learnt a Silly Soup song in Phonics, and have been looking at different rhyming objects to go in our silly soup, the wig and the pig mask were clear favourites! We've also been enjoying different cooking activities, such as making cereal yoghurt pots!



Gold Class – Gold class have been focusing on our 5 senses particularly, sight and hearing. We have produced some lovely art work and tested our how good our ears and eyes are working during science experiments. In maths we have been outside and used our eyes to count the different vehicles, recording this on a tally chart, as well as using our ears, to count how many claps or drum beats we can hear.



Platinum Class – We have been cooking and made Beetroot and Chocolate Brownie Cake. Well done to Finnley and Danielle for being such wonderful cooks. Well done too to Michael for misreading the recipe and adding 2 large bars of chocolate to the mix instead of 1! The children have been busy in art too as they produce repeating patterns based on Indian designs that are to be added to mixed media pictures based on India.

