

# St Martin's School Weekly News

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**Our focus in worship this half term is Friendship. We would love to hear of any examples that you have of your children showing their friendship skills! Please feel free to write these on a post it note and add them to our new display in the hall entitled 'Friendship in Action', next time you are in school. Thank you.**

## **THIS WEEK**

### **Victorian Day**

The children in Silver Birch and Sycamore Classes thoroughly enjoyed their Victorian Day this week. Thank you to all the parents and carers who supported this by providing costumes – the children looked amazing. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to come into school at the end of the day and share their learning with them.

### **Cross Country Down Grange**

Congratulations to all the cross country runners who attended the event at Down Grange yesterday. You all ran brilliantly and should be very proud of yourselves. The children were beautifully behaved and really showed the St Martin's spirit by cheering each other on and celebrating their success. Thank you to Mrs Alexander for organising the cross country team and all the adults that supported the competition, making the experience possible.



### **Parental Consultations - Questionnaires**

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the parental consultations this week. We hope you found the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher, and discuss your child's learning, useful. If you were unable to make the meetings this week, please contact the class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet. We also really appreciate the feedback from those parents and carers who completed the parental questionnaires. If you have not returned your questionnaire, please leave it with the school office by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. If you missed the opportunity to complete a questionnaire, a copy is attached or these are also available through the school office.

### **Staff News**

Sadly we must share the news that Mrs Braidley has decided she will be leaving us at the end of the summer term, in July. She is sad to be leaving but has decided that the time is right for her to explore different teaching opportunities. We would like to thank Mrs Braidley for all she has done for St Martin's and we wish her well as she continues her career.

We have already started the process of recruiting a new teacher and we will keep you informed as this progresses.

Unfortunately Mrs Hancock is still poorly. I know you will all join me in sending her our best wishes and wishing her a speedy recovery. While Mrs Hancock is off we are sharing LSA support between classes, so you may find different adults supporting your children currently.

### Early Morning Routines

From the first Monday after half term, we are trialling some changes to the way children in Silver Birch and Sycamore Class come into school in the morning. If you have children in these classes, please see the letter that came home with your child last week for further details.

### NEXT WEEK (AFTER HALF TERM)

#### Bikeability – Year 6

Year 6 are taking part in the Bikeability training the first week after half term. If you have a child in Year 6 they need to bring their bike and cycle helmet into school first thing in the morning from Monday to Thursday. We have asked the children to walk their bike down the school path and leave it sensibly in the undercover area.

#### Eucharist – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 9:30am, the whole school will come together in the school hall for our termly School Eucharist service. If you have children in Cherry Class please make sure you have returned the reply slip, regarding communion and a blessing, to school. If you have children in Year 1 – 6 we will assume the information you provided on the reply slip in the Autumn term is still correct – if there have been any changes, please inform the school office. All members of the school community are more than welcome to join us for this service. Please be aware that coffee and cake will be available afterwards.



#### HOUSE OF THE WEEK: North

House Captain and Vice:

Annabelle P, Freddie B

#### AVERAGE MERITS

1.58

Florence H, Will A

Jozef S, Natalie E

Gabriella A, Logan A

South

West

East

1.19

1.09

0.86



**HOUSE OF THE HALF TERM: SOUTH - well done!**  
**HOUSE CAPTAIN and VICE CAPTAIN: Florence H, Will A**

**Congratulations to South House who won the overall highest average merits for this half term who enjoyed their treat with Mrs Bartlett today.**

### Special Learning Awards

#### Congratulations to:

Florence H for Maths, she challenged herself in her place value work.

Olivia B in Maths, for wonderful grid method multiplication.

Dominic J in English for very effective use of modal verbs and bullet points.

Conrad B in English, for showing fabulous progress in all areas of his writing.



### NOTICES

#### Missing Judo Trousers

James G has lost his Judo trousers, a pair were left in the hall. Please check your child's judo kit to see if James' have been taken by mistake.

### Missing Fitbit

Katy W has lost a black Fitbit possibly in Maple classroom.

### Missing Cardigan

Libby H has lost her new school cardigan aged 9-10 years and named.

If you find any of the above missing items, please either return them to the children concerned or the school office.

## SCHOOL CLUBS

### Breakfast Club and Fun Club

#### School Dinner Money Payments

All dinner accounts must be cleared by the end of half term. Statements have gone out this week. Should you need help accessing your online account please email [t.carter@st-martins.hants.sch.uk](mailto:t.carter@st-martins.hants.sch.uk).

St Martin's would prefer for all children's accounts to be in credit so that statements do not need to be sent out, due to administrative costs to the school.

#### Breakfast and After School Club Payments

All Breakfast and After School Club accounts will need to be cleared in full by the end of half term.

When paying by Childcare Vouchers please remember to let [j.james@st-martins.hants.sch.uk](mailto:j.james@st-martins.hants.sch.uk) know that you have made a payment with a childcare voucher. Please send on your confirmation email.

Bookings for next term will not be able to be made for your child if you still have an amount due on your Breakfast or After School Club account.

Attached to this newsletter is the Breakfast Club and Fun Club booking form for the next half term, up to 4<sup>th</sup> April, remembering 5<sup>th</sup> April is an inset day. If you wish to make bookings please complete and return the form to the school office by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

### Spring term 2019 dates for clubs – to half term break

Club	First Session	Last Session
Simply Guitar	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Keyboard/Violin	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
Cross Country	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
Grassroots Football	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
French Club	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
linki Judo	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Italian Club	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
Ace Dance	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
Brass/Woodwind	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
Netball Club	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April

If you are interested in enrolling or re-enrolling your child/children for the above school clubs for the spring term, please pick up registration forms from the school office. Please be aware you do have to enrol again each term for these clubs.

### St. Martin's School Association

#### Fancy Dress 1980's Disco – July 12<sup>th</sup>

Following the successful Barn Dance event last summer where we made a profit of nearly £3,000 and which contributed greatly to the cost Interactive Panels, the PTA will be organising another event on the evening of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

This time it will be a Fancy Dress 1980's Disco night with music, food and drink!

Please put this date in your diary as it will be a great fun way to end the school year and will raise money for another worthy school resource.

### **School Association Meeting**

The School Association is looking for volunteers who would be prepared to take on the role of leading the organisation for the Christmas fair. Please do not panic – this is not as onerous as it sounds! Mr Doyle has led this event for several years and is happy to work with someone next year to ensure a smooth handover.

**QUIZ NIGHT UPDATE:** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 7.45pm, School Hall

Tickets are £10 each including a light supper. Teams of 4-6. Licensed bar.

### **WE NEED YOUR RECIPES!**

We've had a great response to our request for recipes to go into our St. Martin's School Cookbook...but we still need more! Do you have a favourite family recipe you'd like to share? Please email your recipes (and photos if you have them) to [liz.starbuck.greer@gmail.com](mailto:liz.starbuck.greer@gmail.com). We're hoping to get all your contributions by the end of this half-term.

Half term 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February inclusive

### **Inset Days**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

### **ACTIVITIES: 25<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

#### **School**

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	French club 12.30pm Grassroots football 3.30pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Judo club 8.00am Guitar lessons 9.00am Netball club 3.30pm Tag rugby competition (for selected children) at St Martin's 3.30pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	School Eucharist 9.30am
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Italian club 12.25pm Brass/woodwind lessons 1.00pm Ace dance 3.25pm
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Keyboard and violin lessons 9.45am Cross country club 12.00pm

#### **Church**

Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Worship	Woolton Hill	9.30am
3 <sup>th</sup> before	Family Service	East Woodhay	9.30am
Lent	Parish Communion	Highclere	11.00am
	Evensong	Crux Easton	5.00pm

Flyers

Quiz

Ride Fit Now

What's on Hampshire Cultural Trust



**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH**

**Charity Quiz Night & Supper  
Licensed Bar**

**£10 per person | Teams of 4-6**

**7.45pm for 8pm start**

**St. Martin's School, East Woodhay**

**Contact: [liz.starbuck.greer@gmail.com](mailto:liz.starbuck.greer@gmail.com)**

**TICKET BOOKINGS CLOSE 15<sup>TH</sup> FEB.**

**All proceeds to St. Martin's School Association for the benefit of the kids!**



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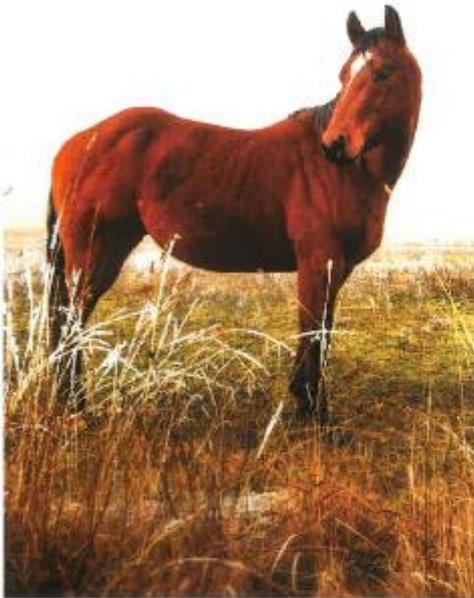
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There's so much going on this half term – don't forget to check our website for times and dates at individual venues.

**ALLEN GALLERY, ALTON**  
16–24 FEBRUARY

Winter make-and-takes. Drop into the Allen Gallery and make your very own creation. Admission free.

**CURTIS MUSEUM, ALTON**

16–24 FEBRUARY  
Half term programme of make-and-takes and museum trail. Admission free.

**20 FEBRUARY**

Bring a torch and explore the museum at night with our family trail. Last entry 7pm. No need to book, all children must be accompanied.

**RED HOUSE MUSEUM, CHRISTCHURCH**

16–24 FEBRUARY  
Half term programme of make-and-takes\* and museum trail. Admission free.

**EASTLEIGH MUSEUM**

16–23 FEBRUARY  
Free to enter half term family trail, complete it to win a treat! Join us for mug painting\*, 10–12 on Thursday 21 February.

**ANDOVER MUSEUM & MUSEUM OF THE IRON AGE**

16–24 FEBRUARY  
Half term programme of make-and-takes and museum trail. Admission free.

**WESTBURY MANOR MUSEUM**

18 FEBRUARY, 11:00–3:00  
Enjoy the museum for free then join us for a fun drop-in craft session\* this half term. Design your own band to feature in a pop-up card or have a go at creating your own art deco design.

**22 FEBRUARY, 10:30–12:30**

Based on our exhibition *All That Jazz*, come and be inspired by the drama of Art Deco and create your own masterpiece in a bookable workshop. Cost: £5 per child (suitable for ages 6+ and must be accompanied by an adult), see website for more details.

**THE GALLERY, WINCHESTER DISCOVERY CENTRE**

6 MARCH, 1:00–3:30  
Above Bounds Theatre Collective invite you into the mesmerising world of *A-Tissue! A-Tissue!* children's theatre, inspired by the world of fables and nursery rhymes. Play, story and music through an energetic, immersive and interactive experience for under 5s and their families. Tickets are FREE, but pre-booking is required and places are limited.

**CITY SPACE, WINCHESTER DISCOVERY CENTRE**  
16–24 FEBRUARY

Half term programme of make-and-takes. Admission free.

**WINCHESTER CITY MUSEUM**

20 FEBRUARY  
11:00–1:00 AND 2:00–4:00  
Join us at City Museum (admission free) and enjoy our drop-in family activity, make your own Anglo-Saxon brooch. See website for more details.

**22 FEBRUARY**

11:00–1:00 AND 2:00–4:00  
Be inspired by the real Roman mosaics on display and make your own mosaic to take away. See website for more details.

**WESTGATE MUSEUM**

16–24 FEBRUARY  
Special Winter opening and our regular spotter trail. Admission free.



**ASHCROFT ARTS CENTRE, FAREHAM**  
16–24 FEBRUARY

**FOREST ARTS CENTRE, NEW MILTON**  
16–24 FEBRUARY

**WEST END ARTS CENTRE, ALDERSHOT**  
16–24 FEBRUARY

Visit one of our arts centres this half term for plenty of activities for children of all ages and our children's festival. From Harry Potter or Make your own Podcast workshops, to art, dance and pottery classes, visit our website to find out more and book.

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FOR FAMILIES WINTER 2019



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