

# St Martin's School Weekly News

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Our focus in worship this half term is Truthfulness. We have been talking to the children about what truthfulness means to them and why it is important. As always, we love to hear about how your children are demonstrating the Christian Values at home. Please share any examples on our board in the hall entitled 'Truthfulness in Action'.

## THIS WEEK

### Year 6 Sparkling Rugby - Overton

Congratulations to all the Year 6 children who took part in the Rugby festival on Thursday. Throughout the day they demonstrated all of our school values and did an amazing job of representing the school. A huge thank you to Mr Codling for his invaluable rugby coaching, Mrs Pretorius who accompanied the children from school and all the parents who helped with transport and supported the children throughout the day.



### Year 6 Children Supporting Charities

Elri, Katya, Bruno and Oscar did an amazing job of organising their cake stall after school today. As they explained in last week's newsletter, all proceeds will go to the charity Restless Development.

### Younger Siblings in School

Following a near miss earlier this week, please can we ask all parents and carers to keep a close eye on younger siblings when they are in school at drop off and collection times. It is lovely that younger siblings feel confident enough to explore the school without their parents and carers but we have a responsibility to ensure they are safe and ask you to keep them within your sight at all times.

### Scaffolding

There has been a slight delay to the removal of the Scaffolding, it will now be taken down over the weekend, thank you for your patience. We are delighted that the leak in the hall roof has now been fixed and we should do longer get a drip when it rains!

### Staff News

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Hancock back to school next week. Initially Mrs Hancock will be working mornings only but she is looking forward to seeing everyone in school again.

We are also delighted to welcome Miss Byrne back to school. Miss Byrne left St Martin's last year to train to be a teacher. She is currently completing her final teaching practice in Sycamore class. She will be working closely with Mrs Rennison to support all the children in Sycamore class. Having student teachers in school brings benefits for both the school and the student teacher – it is a vital part of their preparation in becoming a teacher and also allows us to keep up to date with the latest developments in teaching and learning! She has also recently been married, so we are all trying to remember to call her Mrs Griggs!



<b>HOUSE OF THE WEEK:</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>AVERAGE MERITS</b>
<b>House Captain and Vice:</b>		
<b>Florence H, Will A</b>		<b>2.67</b>
<b>Jozef S, Natalie E</b>	<b>West</b>	<b>2.51</b>
<b>Annabelle P, Freddie B</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>2.26</b>
<b>Gabriella A, Logan A</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>1.88</b>

### Special Learning Awards



#### Congratulations to:

Olivia B in Maths for self-selecting tricky questions and being successful.  
Leonardo D in Maths and English for working hard to get everything done.  
James G for teaching the class how to do column subtraction!



### School Values Awards



#### Respect Awards

##### Congratulations to:

Ava M, Florence T and Robyn G for showing respect or the school and each other by showing around some visitors

### NOTICES

#### Keyboard and violin lessons – Hampshire Music Service

If you are interested in your child/children taking up keyboard or violin lessons or if your child/children are having lessons and you would like the time allocated to be increased, we have some spaces to fill, so please talk to the school office.

#### Newsletter Questionnaire

You will see we have attached a questionnaire about our newsletter. We are considering making some changes and would appreciate your feedback. Paper copies will also be available from the school office; please complete and return them by 10<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Missing Cardigans

Sophia S has lost her named Navy Blue hooded sports cardigan.  
Morgan H has lost a black coat with a pink fleece aged 7-8 years.  
Conrad B has lost his trumpet and its named black padded bag with a tiger logo.

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

### PAYMENT

Thank you to those of you who are keeping their accounts in credit – we really do appreciate it.

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).

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 in this way. Please send on your confirmation email.

## CLUBS

### ACE Dance

Ace Dance will be running again in the summer term. There are still a couple of spaces left, if you are interested in your child continuing/joining this club please collect an enrolment form for the school office.

### French and Italian Clubs

If you are interested in your child joining French or Italian Club, enrolment forms are available from the school office. Both booking forms are attached.

### Breakfast Club and Fun Club

The Breakfast Club and Fun Club booking form for April and May 2019 is available from the school office. If you are interested in booking spaces in either, please complete and return the booking form to the school office or by email to [t.carter@st-martins.hants.sch.uk](mailto:t.carter@st-martins.hants.sch.uk).

## NETBALL CLUB: SUMMER TERM

Netball Club will continue into the summer term! We have a few spaces available so please let Mrs Braidley or the office know if your child would like to join. Netball Club is open to Year 4, 5 and 6 children and is held on Tuesdays 3.30pm-4.30pm. We will assume all current members are continuing unless we hear otherwise. Please note that this club is weather dependent, as it is not safe to play on the courts when they are wet or slippery. We will notify you by lunchtime if we have to cancel. We're hoping for more sun this term!

### Summer term 2019 dates for clubs

Club	Session Begin	Sessions End
Simply Guitar	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	TBA
Keyboard/Violin	Friday 26th April	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Cross Country	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Grassroots Football	Monday 29th April	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
French Club	Monday 29th April	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
Iinkai Judo	Tuesday 30th April	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
Italian Club	Thursday 2nd May	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July
Ace Dance	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July
Brass/Woodwind	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July

## SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (PTA)

### Your School Association (PTA) needs you!

We are currently without a treasurer and urgently need someone to volunteer for this role. No formal training or qualifications are needed and Tracey (our previous treasurer) has offered to provide support if necessary to start with. If you think you may be able to help or if you would like to find out more, please contact either Kirstine or Alex (co-chairs of the SA) or the School Office.

### Recipe Booklet

Liz Greer is still looking for a couple of final recipes to include in the recipe book she is putting together to raise money for the School Association. If you can help, please talk to Liz or the school office.

## **Guild Fete**

Every year the School Association supports the Guild Fete. They then make a generous donation to school fund to support our children's learning. This year the school association will be running the teddy tombola. If you have any teddies that you would like to donate, please could you send them into school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May or Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Any questions please contact Mia Hancock [miamhancock@gmail.com](mailto:miamhancock@gmail.com) Please remember that a child will win the teddy that you donate, so please think about the quality of the teddies that your children are happy to part with and only donate them if you think another child would like them!

## **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 of the Interactive Panels, the School Association (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. Please see the flyer attached.

## **Inset Days**

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

## **Inset Days 2019 - 2020**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

## **ACTIVITIES: 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> May**

### **School**

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Judo Club 8.00am Guitar lessons 9.00am Netball Club 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Aspire Sport Programme at Park House School selected Year 5 2.15pm – 3.45pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Brass/woodwind lessons 1.00pm Upper school performance to parents 2.55pm ACE Dance 3.30pm
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Keyboard/Violin lessons Cross Country 12.00noon Year 3 swimming lessons

### **Church**

5 <sup>th</sup> May	All Together	Woolton Hill	9.30am
Easter 3	Matins	Highclere	11.00am
	Parish Communion	East Woodhay	11.00am
	Evensong	Ashmansworth	6.00am

## **Flyers**

Charity Quiz Evening  
Girls Football Training

Charity Quiz Evening to raise funds for

Wash Common Library

Thursday 9 th May at 7.00 pm  
at the Bowlers Arms

Tickets £10 include curry supper (veggie option available)

Teams of up to six.

Tickets available from the library .

Or from Mary Leonard at [Maryfitzpatrick10@icloud.com](mailto:Maryfitzpatrick10@icloud.com)

or 01635 40052 or 078275 36334

# 4 weeks FREE

## Football Coaching Sessions by FA Qualified Coaches

### We are looking for new players

No experience needed!

Come along, learn football and have fun!



We have over 120 girls playing football, and have over 12 years experience of providing football for girls. We pride ourselves for being the only local club that is dedicated to girls playing football.

Along with learning football, they will:

- Make new friends and have lots of fun
- Get active and lead a healthier lifestyle
- Gain confidence, build self-esteem and learn to work as a team.

All that's needed is a pair of shin pads, a drink and trainers or football boots.

Winter training sessions are every Wednesday held at Newbury Rugby Club, Monks Lane, Newbury, RG14 7RW and in the Summer they are held at Lower Wey, Thatcham.

Training times:

6.15pm-7.10pm - School years 1 - 7

7.00pm-8.00pm - School years 8 - 11 & Ladies

**For more  
information on  
training times and  
venues please  
contact Nick.**

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