

St Martin's School Weekly News

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Our final, and very brief, missive of this school year; a busy year finished off by an even busier term! Thank you all for your support and we wish all our families a restful and enjoyable summer.

We said goodbye to our Year 6 Leavers today in a service led by Reverend Christine. As usual we enjoyed listening to the Year 6's recollections of St. Martin's and their hopes for the future and we loved seeing the photos of the children as they moved up through the school. We wish you all the very best at your new Senior Schools. Do come back and see us.

We also said good bye to Charlotte Everard, Kiki Parkhouse, Finlay Saich, Nina Chipchase, Hannah Bosley and George Redhouse today. We wish you the best for your new schools too.

Staff News

We are delighted to announce the appointment of two new LSAs to help support us in class: Ms Elizabeth Byrne will be working in the lower school and Mrs Kerry O'Sullivan will be working in the upper school. We look forward to welcoming both ladies to our team in September.

We were so sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Dunk today. You have been part of St. Martin's for so long Mrs Dunk and we will never find anything, ever again, without you!! We thank you for all your hard work, always above and beyond; your talents and your patience. We hope you enjoyed your farewell song and the stunning cake prepared for you by Maria Traill (Thank you Maria) and that you will pop in and see us from time to time. Meanwhile enjoy a well-earned retirement!!

We were also sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Baines today. You have only been with us for one term Kirstie but you have helped us so much and worked so hard and you feel part of the team; it will seem very strange without you. Thanks so much for all your hard work and please stay in touch.

Sports Day

We were delighted that so many of you were able to join us for Sports Day. Sorry we could not organise more pleasant weather for you but at least it remained dry. The children all competed well and we give our congratulations to **EAST** who gained the most points and were presented with the Sports Day trophy this year. Thanks to Mrs Evans for her efficient organisation and to everyone who helped on the day; a special thanks to Amy Evans and her friend Ellie who worked hard all day long to help the day run smoothly and to Mr Jacobs who has found a job for life on the PA system!

Parents' Association

Straight after Sports Day the Parents' Association held their AGM with the usual light hearted presentation from Lorraine Jacobs, our chair, and Jim Bailey our finance man, showing how all the funds raised have benefitted our children. This has been another hugely successful year for our Association, with so many events both social and fund raising. Thank you to all of you who attended the meeting and to all those of you who have helped in anyway during the year and especially to the committee.

New offers of help always welcome!

Visitors

Thank you to our ex-pupils who have been in school in recent days; lovely to see you all and thanks for your help.

School Cups

We are delighted to announce the Year 5 winners of our cups for this year:

Leadership by Example: Milla Brereton

Progress: Cheyenne Barton

Music: Jack Robbins and Zak Rota (you will have to share it boys!!)

and our new cup, presented by the Barnes family, who have been in our school for many years and who wanted to provide a cup for Sports. Thank you.

Leadership in Sport: Spencer Codling

Attendance – SUMMER term 2017

In celebration assembly today we congratulated those children who have achieved 100% attendance this term.



In addition we note that the following children have achieved 100% attendance since the start of the school year in September so a special well done to them: Olivia Bennett, Faustine Brooks, Nancy Foster, Holly Stratton & Willoughby Jordan.

ADVANCE NOTICES:

Next year's Inset days have been agreed as follows:

Monday 4th September 2017

Monday 30th October 2017

Monday 19th February 2018

Friday 25th May 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

Please note that the school will be closed for staff training on Monday 4th September.

The first day back for the Autumn Term for pupils will therefore be Tuesday 5th September.