

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

SAT's

We would like to say a huge congratulations to our year 6 children who completed their SATs this week. They started each day with a special breakfast club where they enjoyed a range of cereals, toast and spreads. They approached all the tests with a positive attitude and worked as hard as they possibly could – they should all be incredibly proud of themselves. Mrs Bradley and Mrs Webster certainly are!

Year 2 End of Key Stage Assessments

All of the Year 2 children have completed their end of Key Stage assessments over the last week. The children all worked incredibly hard, showing great courage and perseverance in the maths and reading tests and should be incredible proud of themselves. Mrs Rennison, Mrs Burke and Mrs Laws say that they all deserve a nice relaxing weekend!

Cherry Class Farm Visit

Cherry Class had a wonderful morning on their farm visit. They got to feed the sheep, sit on the tractor and trailer, stroke Pumpkin, the Shetland pony, and hunt for eggs in the barn! They also got to cuddle the rats and watch the chicks eat their breakfast. It was all rounded off with a cake, drink and strawberries. It was so much



fun, the sun shone and the children were really sensible and well behaved. They asked loads of questions and learnt so much about all



the animals that lived there. Thanks so much to Louisa Rehling and Camilla West for coming along to help and to Dawn Dypka - Logan, Deia, Bly and Albie's Grandma - for inviting us to your home. Same again next year please!

Year 6 Children Supporting Charities

Bruno, Elri, Katya and Oscar completed their triathlon on Sunday raising a brilliant £595.75 for Restless Development. They swam, cycled and ran their hearts out in the sunshine and were even more thrilled to come SECOND out of 79 other teams in their age group- missing the top spot by only 13 seconds! Thank you to all who supported and donated!



Nut Free School

Please can we remind everyone that we are a nut free school. Please do not send any nuts or products containing nuts into school. This includes snack bars with nuts in them, Graze pots that include nuts and seeds and Nutella spread. We appreciate your support with this as we have children in school with nut allergies.

NEXT WEEK

Walk to School Week

As you are aware from the letter sent earlier this week, we are taking part in the national Walk to School Week next week. Your child should have bought home their Walk to School card today. They can collect a sticker everyday next week if they walk to school (or if you park at the triangle or cricket club and walk from there). Our Junior Road Safety Officers have organised a rota for greeting the children and handing out stickers. Make sure you have your cards ready as you arrive at school! Please remember that the aim of this initiative is to encourage children to walk to school, improving their fitness whilst teaching essential pedestrian and road safety skills. Therefore please ensure that you talk to your children about road safety and then encourage them to practise these skills during the week.

Uganda Day

Our annual Uganda day is being held on Wednesday. During this day the children will take part in a variety of activities to raise their knowledge and understanding of what life is like for children at Bukuya school, our link school in Uganda. On this day the children can come to school wearing red, yellow or black – the colours of the Ugandan flag. It is completely up to them if they want to come dressed from head to toe in these colours, if they want to wear one item in these colours and their own clothes (for example a yellow T-shirt and jeans) or if they want to wear their school uniform. If you wish to send in a donation to support Bukuya school this would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Sex and Relationships Education – Meeting for parents of Year 5 and 6

During the second half of the summer term the children in Year 5 and 6 will complete their sex and relationships education. These sessions are carefully planned based on the National PSHE Association suggested programme of study and build on the work that the children have completed on relationships throughout the school during their PSHCE lessons. Parents with children in Year 5 and 6 are invited to a meeting about our sex and relationships education on:

- Thursday 23rd May at 2:30pm;
- Thursday 23rd May at 6:00pm.

Please see the letter sent home today for more information.

Celebration Worship

Our final celebration worship for this half term will be held at 9:15am on Friday 24th May.

End of the School Day

Please can we remind all parents and carers that children need to be collected promptly at the end of the day (3:20pm in Cherry Class and Silver Birch Class and 3:25pm in Sycamore, Class, Maple Class and Willow Class). Unfortunately we cannot allow children to play on the school site after school has finished, unless they are part of Fun Club. Thank you for your support with this.

Guild Fete

Please remember to send in any teddy donations for the guild fete on Friday – please see the School Association (PTA) section in the newsletter for further information.



HOUSE OF THE WEEK: North
House Captain and Vice:

AVERAGE MERITS

Annabelle P, Freddie B

2.16

Florence H, Will A
 Gabriella A, Logan A
 Jozef S, Natalie E

South 1.77
 East 1.66
 West 1.58

Special Learning Awards



Congratulations to:

James B for taking his time and checking his work in Maths.
 Will H for excellent use of formal language in his newspaper article in English.

Trick Words

Congratulations to:

Sebastian B who has read all the words in the trick words book.



School Values Awards



Courage Awards

Congratulations to:

Sophia HS for being really courageous this week and not letting her worries get the better of her.
 All of Year 2's in Silver Birch and Sycamore for being amazingly brave in their EKSA's and being willing to have a go and trying their best.

Respect Awards

Congratulations to:

Walter F for being very respectful and helpful in class and towards his peers.

Friendship Awards

Congratulations to:

Penelope P for having respect, tolerance and empathy for others.

NOTICES

Cool Milk

If you are interested in registering Over 5's for milk please see the leaflet below. You can go online to register your child for school milk at www.coolmilk.com alternatively we have some leaflets in the school office that you can complete and return to FREEPOST COOL MILK.

Payment for Residential PGL

Just to remind parents the deadline for the balance to be paid for this years' residential is 30th September but early payment is always very welcome.

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.

Missing Items

Sophia S has lost her named Navy Blue hooded sports cardigan.

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.

When paying by Childcare Vouchers, please remember to let j.james@st-martins.hants.sch.uk know that you have made a payment in this way. Please send on your confirmation email.

CLUBS

Breakfast Club and Fun Club

The Breakfast Club and Fun Club booking form for June and July 2019 is attached, a paper copy is also 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.

Summer term 2019 dates for clubs

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

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (PTA)

Fancy Dress 1980's Disco – July 12th - Fund Raiser

We will be having an ice cream sale and selling tickets for this event on Thursday 23rd May after school. Tickets will be £20 person which includes a welcome drink, food and DJ. We will accept IOU's on 23rd May but would like all monies collected by 7th June so we can have a clear idea about catering. Tickets bought after 7th June will be charged at £25 per person.

Alternatively, there will be payment forms available in the lobby to be completed and posted in the PTA box.

All profits will go towards the cost of buying a new Stage for the school. We hope you can all come for a fun night of fancy dress and dancing! Please see flyer attached and any queries please contact Caroline Bridge on 07971 867712. Many Thanks

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 School Association) or the School Office

Guild Fete

Every year the School Association (PTA) supports the Guild Fete. They then make a generous donation to school fund to support our children's learning. This year the School Association (PTA) 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 23rd May or Friday 24th May. Any questions please contact Mia Hancock 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 12th

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 12th 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.

Inset Days

Monday 3rd June 2019

Inset Days 2019 - 2020

Wednesday 4th September 2019

Monday 4th November 2019

Friday 20th December 2019

Friday 3rd April 2020

Monday 1st June 2020

ACTIVITIES: 20th – 24th May

School

Monday 20 th	French Club – 12.30pm Grassroots Football 3.30pm
Tuesday 21 st	Judo Club 8.00am Guitar lessons 9.00am Netball Club 3.30pm Tennis Tournament for selected Year 3/4 at Park House School 4.00pm – 6.00pm
Wednesday 22 nd	Aspire Sport Programme for selected Year 5 at Park House School 2.15pm – 3.45pm Uganda Day
Thursday 23 rd	Brass/woodwind lessons ACE Dance 3.30pm Sex and Relationships meeting for parents and carers of children in Year 5 and 6 2.30pm and 6.00pm
Friday 24 th	Celebration worship 9:15am Keyboard/Violin lessons Cross Country 12.00noon Year 3 swimming lessons

Church

19 th May	Morning Worship	Highclere	9.30am
Easter 5	Family Service	Woolton Hill	9.30am
	Matins	Crux Easton	11.00am
	Evensong	Ashmansworth	6.00pm

Flyers

PTA 80's Night

Coolmilk

East Woodhay Open Gardens

ST MARTIN'S SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS

80's

80's attire
encouraged!

Night

80's inspired
supper &
welcome drink!!

FRIDAY 12th JULY 2019
EAST WOODHAY VILLAGE HALL

8:00PM
TIL LATE

TICKETS £20 BEFORE 7th JUNE, £25 AFTER.
MONIES RAISED WILL BUY A NEW STAGE FOR SCHOOL.
DROP PAYMENT SLIPS INTO PTA BOX AT SCHOOL
OFFICE.

CONTACT CAROLINE BRIDGE 07971 867712

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Register your child today!

Register your child for school milk today.



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Alternatively, please complete the form overleaf and return it to: **FREEPOST COOL MILK** (no further address details needed)

You can register in two simple ways...

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Company registration no. 3620430 England

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East Woodhay
Open Gardens Safari EAST WOODHAY,
NEWBURY, BERKSHIRE

Sunday 23rd June 2019

Five gardens to visit

Cycle, walk or drive

Artists in residence

Teas + cakes

Plant sale **TOMBOLA**
Silver Band

12.00 to 4.00pm

Service of Garden Praise at 5.30pm



Entry: £8.00 - under 12s free

Tickets available at any of the gardens
on the day

For more info: <https://www.facebook.com/eastwoodhaygardens>

In aid of Prior's Court School and
St Martin's Church, East Woodhay

East Woodhay
Open Gardens Safari EAST WOODHAY,
NEWBURY, BERKS

Sunday 23rd June 2019

Something for everyone - fantastic range of five gardens to visit with lots of interest from formal planting schemes to traditional cottage gardens with colours, structure and views - lots to inspire the keen, casual or amateur gardener alike.

Bacon butties for early birds from 11.30 at Bourne House, with off-road parking. Teas and cakes with the East Woodhay Silver Band playing - 2.30 to 4.30pm. Ever popular plant sale and tombola with fantastic prize at Church Farm (parking on-site).

Round off the day with an outdoor service of garden praise at 5.30pm at Church Farm, close to St Martin's Church.

To visit the gardens: either park close to the clusters of gardens, or visit on foot or by bike. A map will be provided with your ticket. Tickets purchased at any of the gardens - no advance booking needed.

Gardens to visit: RG20 ONE: Bourne House
RG20 OAG: Sungrove Lodge
RG20 OAF: Dormer Cottage
RG20 OAL: Rectory Farm
RG20 OAL: The Old Rectory

Funds raised will go towards Prior's Court School and the upkeep of St Martin's Church, East Woodhay.

For further details, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/eastwoodhaygardens>

or email: burlyns@btinternet.com