

# St Martins School



NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 3

## Welcome to Issue 3 of the St Martins School newsletter

### Welcome back all!

In this issue of the St Martins newspaper we will cover a range of different topics including St Martins Unlimited, homework being banned in

Ireland, an interview with Mr McKinnon, and much more!

One of our main stories this term is about Women's History Month written by me – your editor

this term – and we are also fortunate enough to have a beautiful comic strip drawn by Lyla Evans in year 9.

Be sure to have a read of all our interesting arti-

cles for this issue and I look forward to hearing your feedback.

Thank you very much for reading.

MOLLY ROBERTS, 9LAT  
ISSUE 3 EDITOR

## Inspector Calls for our Year 11 students

On 15th March, Year 11 went to see *An Inspector Calls* at the Liverpool Empire Theatre, to go alongside their GCSE curriculum.

It could be described as a jaw dropping, interesting, and overall emotive production. It left people open minded, and we didn't want it to end.

"In my opinion, this should be a yearly school trip." – Emma

"In my opinion, the dining room should've been the whole stage. Otherwise, it was great." – Heather

A selection of other Year 11 students told us that a few cons to improve would be to make the chairs stay down rather than spring up, the snacks were rather expensive and from some perspectives it was difficult to see.

On the whole, we think that this trip has been beneficial to everyone studying this for their GCSEs, so that they can understand the plot together.

EMMA WILLIAMS &  
HEATHER SIMPSON, Y11

# CELEBRATING ROLE MODELS

### March is also globally known as Women's History Month, but what is it and why do we celebrate it?

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society. It is a dedicated month to reflect on the overlooked contributions of women all throughout history. Women's History Month is important and symbolic to many men and women as it shows how we have moved forward as a society, and it means we can honour all the women who have worked so hard to accomplish equality for women throughout history.

Who are some inspiring women to look up to?

Kamala Harris - She became the first woman vice president of America, and the first black and South Asian American to take on that job.

Katharine Hepburn - She was an amazing fashion icon, but one of the main ways that she left her mark was by changing the idea of what people believed it was to be feminine.

Marie Curie – She was a



Students at St Martins School have been celebrating Women's History Month during March

Polish scientist, and made discoveries which would earn her and her husband a Nobel Prize in 1903. Marie then went on to win another Nobel Prize in 1911. She was the first woman in history to win it.

Emmeline Pankhurst - She was a founding member of a

group of women called the Suffragettes, who fought incredibly hard to get women the right to vote in the UK.

So how can you get involved?

There are many ways in which you can get involved, it can be something small like watching a documentary, listening to a pod-

cast or reading a book. But you can also get involved within your community by going to a museum or learning more about the history of women, and educate your friends and family. So, get involved where you can!

MOLLY ROBERTS, YEAR 9

## School celebrates World Book Day with festival fun

On Friday 3rd of March 2023 our school celebrated our first World Book Day Book Festival with our newest librarian Mrs Lane.

This contained a variety of competitions like a bake sale, poetry, art, music, tech, non-fiction and a book chain.

In secondary, the bake sale

was held at break where people sold cakes to raise money for the house charities.

The Poetry and Art were also displayed at breaks where people could read and look at them.

### Winners

The secondary winners for the bake sale were: 1st Faye

Davenport 2nd Katelyn Randall/ Seren Smith 3rd Katie Harris.

Poetry: 1st Lyla Evans 2nd Millie Birch 3rd Alissa Evans.

Art: 1st Lucy Harris 2nd Kizzy Daly/Lowri Jones 3rd Tom Pritchard.

Music: 1st Charlotte Walsh 2nd

Sebastian Richardson.

Tech: 1st Jessica Portlock 2nd Katie Harris 3rd Bella Riley.

Book chain: 1st Katie Harris 2nd Alissa Evans 3rd Lizzie Gonzales-Birkill.

Non-fiction: Katie Harris / Lizzie Gonzales-Birkill.

## Homework: Should it be banned?

In Ireland, the President has proposed a new rule to ban homework. I think that homework should be allowed or that it should be optional.

Homework is more education, and a good sum up of the lesson, so I think it should be allowed to give you a better education, better grades, a better job and a better life. It will give you more knowledge and a better start in life.

In Ireland, the President has made his thoughts known about homework, saying it should be "left at the gate and children should be able to use their leisure time for creative things". In my opinion, I agree with what the President said, because I think that they could make the homework more creative and fun and therefore students would be more inclined to do it. They could make it optional, so that people who want to do it can, and people who don't want to do it don't have to. So, I think you should have optional homework for everyone, but personally I enjoy homework so I don't mind.

ABBIE BELL, 7NP