



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

11 December 2020



We have a great Facebook page that we update on a daily basis with useful updates and information for parents— I encourage all our parents to join! Any unofficial pages using our school name and logo have been reported to facebook.

Mock GCSE exam timetables have been sent to parents and students this week www.stmartins3-16.org/students/revision/ Ms Mooney and Ms Mottershaw have made a guide for helping students to revise in the build up to mocks and real exams. This will be via the Microsoft teams, year 11 group

The year 11 'teams' channel will become a hub for us to share information and revision materials.

These exams are important as we really don't know whether current plans for exams in the summer will change. Keep up the excellent work and parents thank you for your ongoing support!

Year 10 school reports have been sent to all parents this week, year 11 will be sent out next week — please have a look through these with your child. Comments and targets can help guide revision.

THERE IS NO CHRISTINGLE SERVICE this year BUT

You can collect YOUR OWN CHRISTINGLE GOODY BAG and meet the DONKEY on Sunday 20th at St Martins Church from 3.30pm TO 4.30pm

YOU MUST PRE-ORDER BY SATURDAY 12TH DEC

Email: thompsval200@gmail.com
or text/message Rev. Stuart
07766255436 ; saintmartinjohns@icloud.com

Give your name, address and number of children

Please give a donation when you collect to The Children's Society

Next week we 'up the ante' on the Christmas festivities—Years 4 and 5 will be making their Christingles on Monday and taking them to the Church on Wednesday.

A huge thank you to **Edwards Dairy** for donating the oranges.

As you will know church services will not be happening in the usual way this Christmas, however St Martins Parish Church will be hosting an outdoor event on 20 December.

And finally on Thursday and Friday we have free non uniform days to thanks our students for their hard work and huge efforts this term.

Mr James, our Head of Arts will be putting together a Christmas video involving performances from student's across the school— a link will be shared next week, so watch this space!

Don't know about you but I will be putting my Christmas tree up this weekend!

I am pleased to announce this 'outstanding pupil of the week'. Winners—Thank you Mystic Mooney!

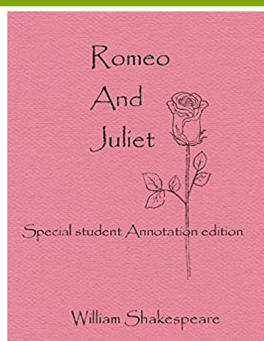
**Jessica Arias, Harry Lunt, Jacob Swart,
Milly Lockley and Alfie Earthy (11CY)**





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It's a busy start to the year in January—YEAR 10 and YEAR 11 will be sitting their mock GCSE exams from Monday 11th January until the 29th January.

This year more than ever these exams are important. Currently GCSE exams are planned to start slightly later in June of next year. But if the government change their mind then the mock results could be used to inform teachers if a 'Centre Assessed Grade' has to be set. An exam timetable is being drafted and will be available shortly for parents via email and on the website

In January, all year ten students will begin their study of Romeo and Juliet as part of their English Literature GCSE course. They will all need their own copy of the text. Class teachers are happy to offer recommendations for annotation friendly versions. Click on the book cover link to take you to a good example available via Amazon Perhaps one for under the Christmas Tree!!



Thank you to all the staff and pupils who supported the kitchen on Christmas dinner day. We had a successful day serving 300 Christmas dinners.

This term has been a different and challenging time for us all. In the kitchen we have had to adapt to many changes to the day to day running of the service. Hoping for 'normal' times ahead!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy new year. ASPENS

LAST DAY TIMINGS—18 DECEMBER—SCHOOL WILL FINISH EARLY, SCHOOL BUSES WILL BE ADJUSTED, THERE WILL NOT BE AN AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

SECONDARY— finish at 1.30pm (hot food will be available at break times, no lunch time)

PRIMARY—Lunch will be served

Nursery and reception finish at 12.40pm

Year 1 and 4/5 Mr Spelman class finish at 12.50pm

Year 2 and 4/5 Ms Jones' class finish at 1.00pm

Year 3 and year 6 finish at 1.10pm



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Spaces for the remainder of the term are filling up quickly. Please book by emailing:

afterschoolclub@stmartins3-16.org and please give as much notice as possible.

You can book in for;

Breakfast club - 7.40 - 8.40am £3.50 - Breakfast provided

8.10 - 8.40am £2.00 - Breakfast provided

Sibling club 2.55 / 3pm - 3.30pm £1.00 No food

After School Club - 2.55pm / 3pm - 5.30pm - £9.00 Snack & Drink provided.

Current users: Please pay outstanding NOVEMBER bills !!

Dates for the diary (keep on eye on the website!)

We have lots of parents evenings etc that we are reviewing if they can take place—we will inform parents as soon as possible

17/18 December—non uniform days

18 December—school finishes early for Christmas—No after school club

21 December—Christmas Holiday

4 January PD day

5 January—students return to school

11 January—mock GCSE exams start for year 10 and year 11

