



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

1 April 2021

Testing for secondary students and all staff has now moved to home and should continue over the Easter holidays, parents please supervise your secondary students to complete a home test every **Sunday and Wednesday**—this is a crucial way to keep our schools and community safe. If you receive a positive results please inform school, reception@stmartins3-16.org and sue.lovecy@stmartins3-16.org so that I can then contact the students that are close contacts to inform them that they will need to isolate.

There are some lovely family activities taking place over Easter at our village Parish Church: **Saturday 3rd April**


You and your family are invited to **A walk through the Easter story**, Light a candle to remember a loved one, leave a prayer at the cross, with craft activities. Please let Rev Stuart know you are attending so he can prepare a goody bag for the children.

saintmartinjohns@icloud.com; or text Rev Stuart 07766 255 436

New start and finish times for September 2021

In September we will be changing the start and finish times for our students as below. We are giving parents the required terms notice. This will enable us to continue to stagger the day which has really helped the safety in the car park over the last few months. These new times will also allow us to run after school sessions in the secondary phase.

We will be making changes to the car park and entrance into the car park over the summer and there will be specific pick up times for secondary pupils in September to ease the traffic after school. Further details about this later next term. These times will also mean that older siblings can collect primary aged children so there is no requirement for a sibling club.



| | Nursery | Reception | Year 1 and 2 | Years 3,4,5,6 | Secondary all |
|-------------|---------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Start time | 8.55 | 8.55 | 9am | 9.10 | 8.40 |
| Finish time | 14.55 | 15.00 | 15.05 | 15.10 | 3.05 |

At 3.05 Secondary students will be allowed to walk home or catch a bus. Students being collected by car will be assembled and supervised. They will then be released after the buses have left at 3.20. Further details will be shared with parent and students next term.

New menus are launched in the dinner next term—please see the [school website!](#) For details and for how to apply for free school meals.

Have a lovely Easter, Ms Lovecy

If your child has a positive test for COVID email reception@stmartins3-16.org and sue.lovecy@stmartins3-16.org at any time so that we can inform all our parents as soon as possible if a bubble has to close



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Do you know a parent or carer who would be interested in understanding their child, teenager or child with special educational needs/disability better?

Shropshire Council are currently running virtual parenting courses. For more information visit [Ourplace | Online Parenting Child Education Courses](https://ourplace.co.uk/online-parenting-child-education-courses) ([inourplace.co.uk](https://ourplace.co.uk))

*Or contact the Parenting Team on **01743 250950** or by email on parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk*

VILLAGE EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

AN EXCITING AND ENGAGING PROGRAMME OF FREE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-12 YEARS

Four hours of games and activities for children of all abilities



TNS will be running activities over the Easter holidays in St Martins and surrounding villages—details and a booking form can be found on the [school website](#)



The New Saints FC Foundation

POWERED BY LLS

TNS & LLS Virtual Taster Session

Thursday 1st April, 4:30pm

DM THE LLS TEAM FOR THE ZOOM DETAILS!

10 students will get the chance to take part in an exclusive work experience programme with The New Saints FC Foundation, while studying on the LLS sixth form course. Over the course of the placement, students will have full access to each of the departments that keep The New Saints fighting at the top of the JD Cymru Premier each year. The placement will complement the LLS programme's qualifications and vast profes-

sional network, catapulting students into University, Apprenticeships and paid employment in the UK and globally.

Please email info@tnsfoundation.org.uk for more information about this session, or follow the link below to join the session.

Thursday 1st April, 4:30pm <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89232144736?pwd=VUE0a081UVZRTU5VUmeE4L3o5ZIN0UT09>

Meeting ID: 892 3214 4736

Passcode: LLS

