

ST MARTINS SCHOOL

11 March 2022

It's been a busy week this week with various trips happening to support the curriculum in primary. As part of Year 3's learning about the Stone Age to the Iron Age in History and rocks in Science respectively, they have visited two wonderful local places of interest: Oswestry Hill Fort and Llanymynech Rock. The children had a brilliant time in a variety of weather, and came back to school out of energy but full of memories. And in Year 2 as part of their history topic on WW1 and the Blitz, they



walked to the war memorial in the village, which really brought the local history and experiences of the war to life. The class has also been looking at plants as part of their science lessons, learning about seed dispersal and the children made



a clay burr.



FRIDAY 18 MARCH is RED NOSE DAY. There will be cake sales and other activities to help raise money - it's non-uniform day so dress as a superhero - whether it's

as Superman, Wonder Woman, a superhero of your own creation, or a local hero in your community. Or wear something red to match your nose! £1 donation. There is also the opportunity to apply to be the Head of School or Deputy Head of School, please see the poster in this newsletter!

There are some staff members leaving us, Ms Samuels in the office, Ms Grimshaw in primary and Ms Kerr, we wish them all our best wishes for their future careers. Mr Riley will be teaching reception class on a Friday. Have a lovely weekend Ms Lovecy

'Head & Deputy Head for the Day' Friday 18 March—Red Nose Day

Applications in to Ms Lovecy by Monday 14 March with your £2.50 donation to Red Nose Day.

Write a letter to answer "What I would like to do as Head/Deputy Head for the day"

If selected part of your job will be to hold a staff briefing, go on a learning walk, see what our therapy dog Mr Wilko is up to.....and you never know a student by the name of Lovecy may misbehave and need to be sent to the Headteacher!



A huge well done to Charlotte Walsh who gained a third place and a commended grade for her performance in the Oswestry Town Council Music Festival.

Our House point stars of the week return next week—there have been so many house points awarded this week we need more time to count them all up! WATCH THIS SPACE!!!!

SECONDARY AFTER SCHOOL
CLUBS FOR THIS HALF
TERM CAN BE FOUND USING [THIS LINK](#)

Some parents have asked school what our approach has been regarding the Ukraine crises. We have been talking to students in class and assemblies about the crisis. In terms of collections and fundraising the government are suggesting this is done through the bigger charities like [Save the Children](#) , [British Red Cross](#)



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Autism West Midlands have the following events coming up.....

FREE Webinars

How Autistic People Process Information – Friday 18th March 9.30am-10.30am

<https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/how-autistic-people-process-information-webinar-18mar22/>

ZOOM Together – Monthly online group for young people aged 12+

A fun, supportive opportunity for autistic teens to get together play games and share experiences hosted by Autism West Midlands staff. More details below

<https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/zoom-together-fun-sessions-for-shropshire-youngsters-6apr/>

WEEKLY Zoom Advice slots – every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

For those would like some face-to-face contact we are offering this virtually via video appointments. Zoom works well on mobile phones. To book a 45 min advice appointment with a specialist autism advisor please book via our shop

<https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/online-autism-advice-shropshire/>

Virtual Support Group for Parents - Wednesday Mornings 10am-11am & Wednesday Evenings 8pm-9pm – NOW 1st and 3rd Weds of each month

From the New Year we moved our online support groups to twice a month via the Zoom platform. This is an opportunity to talk with other parents, share ideas, and offer support.

If you would like to join either of the support groups, please email the team here shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk

Advice and support

We continue to offer advice and support over the phone and via email. Parents/carers and professionals can contact our small team directly to arrange an appointment please call:

Mon, Wed, Fri	- Wendy Cowton	07900784186
Weds, Thu, Fri	- Emma Hegenbarth	07881109480
Tue, Wed, Thu	- Dawn Lewis	07706309382
Email	shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk	

Helpline 0121 450 7575