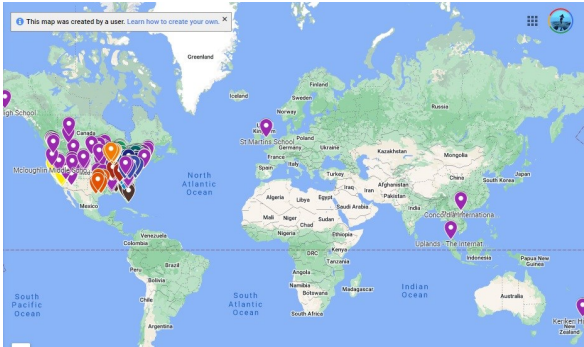




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We were lucky to have such a beautiful day for our whole school photo that took place this week to celebrate 10 years of being St Martins 3-16 All through school. Details of how to purchase a copy of the photo will be sent out to parents shortly



Spanish students took part in 'Locotubre' – the Spanish language songs competition for schools which started in the USA. As you can see from the map we were the only entrant from the UK and joined with other schools from the USA, Indonesia and New Zealand. Our students are really enjoying this fun way to learn and use the Spanish language, especially due to some very cringe worthy dances. The videos can be seen by anyone, they can just google 'Locotubre'. It's been added to Satchel so you can have a go at home!



Year 3 were delighted to be awarded a chocolate cake for having good attendance figures so far this term. Let's keep those figures high! Well deserved year 3, I'm pleased you enjoyed the treat and keep up the great attendance!

Our Harvest Festival takes place at St Martins parish church on the afternoon of **Tuesday 18 October**. Parents of years 2—6 are invited to come along. EYFS and year 1 will have a harvest festival in school on **Wednesday 19 October** in the Arts Centre, parents can start arriving from 9.15am. A letter has been sent out to parents with more details. Primary students can bring in any non-perishable food donations from Monday 17th October – Thursday 20th for Harvest Festival. These will be donated by the School Council locally on Friday.

After school clubs end this week in primary apart from Drama with Ms Poli which will carry on as they are working towards a performance of the Lion Club and Primary School Band with Mr James.

On **Monday 31 October** primary will be having a Halloween Disco. Pupils will need to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring a bag with their disco outfit in so that they can change after lunch.

We ask that pupils wear appropriate clothes and do not have any masks, face paint or fake blood please as this may scare our younger pupils. We will be asking for a donation of £1.00 per pupil and they will have a bar of chocolate and a drink if they wish. Proceeds will go towards purchasing some new equipment for pupils to use at break time and lunchtime. The disco will take place during the afternoon and therefore normal home time arrangements will apply.



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The research
& care charity

We will have a 'Wear it Pink' non uniform day on **FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER** raising money for Breast Cancer Now charity. Students can come to school in non uniform and donate a £1, if you can wear something PINK that would really show your support! Have a lovely weekend, Ms Lovecy



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Year 3 and year 6—the animal man!!

Year 3 & 6 had a visit from the Animal man this week. He talked to the classes about adaptation, evolution and there was lots of discussion about endangered animals and climate change. The workshop was brilliant and the students (and staff!!) were very brave touching some of the more exotic animals, although I think the photo with the frog must be the winner! Don't look too closely if you're not keen on spiders or snakes!!



Half Term Reading Challenge

-  Choose a book that is not something you would normally read.
-  Borrow it over the half term break.
-  Read the whole book.
-  Write a summary of the story, and include something about your favourite (or worst) part, the best (or worst!) character, and why you did or didn't like it. You can also draw a picture related to the book if you like.



Collect an entry form from the library when you borrow your book.

All completed entries will be entered into a raffle to win a mystery prize, and some of them will be displayed in the Hub!

Promotion Calendar 2022-2023



Hub News

This week I've been busy working on the new Quick Reads area of the secondary hub. We have a number of Dyslexia Friendly books (labelled DF on the spine), and shorter books that are aimed at teenagers who are not big readers, or who don't fancy a long book. This area is still developing, but please ask if you want to have a browse.



One of my Readers of the Week this week is definitely Mr. Wilko! He spent a morning break being read to by some of my Student Librarians. The Hub is exactly the place for this; please come along at break and lunch times to browse, read, study, do homework or just chill out and do some anti-stress or book-themed colouring. J

READERS OF THE WEEK

Harry Lindup – Year 1, Michael Davies – Year 2, Florence Wilkinson – Year 4, Megan Hall – 8KA

Melody Lawrence – 8CY, Dylan Arias – 9JPO, Thomas Gaskin – 9HS, Alfie Wrigley – 10JP

Leah Butler – 10AMK, Ruby Lockley – 11YC, Mr. Wilko

Ms. Lovecy will be giving out the certificates in assembly, and the children will be able to tell you exactly why they won one!

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Malamander by Thomas Taylor – an exciting mystery adventure book suitable for boys and girls from Year 5 to Year 9. The perfect book for readers who enjoy A Series of Unfortunate Events, or who liked the Harry Potter films, but aren't so keen on the books. The blurb on the back reads:

In the basement of the Grand Nautilus Hotel, a mysterious girl crashes into Herbie Lemon's room and cries, "Hide me!" In the window of the Eerie Book Dispensary, a mechanical mermonkey sits and waits. And out beyond the pier, something stirs. Could the legendary malamander have returned?

