



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

3 February 2023

It's been a busy week for year 11; they received their mock gcse results this week and had the opportunity to talk to subject teachers at the review evening about next steps and actions. There will be an additional information forum on the 9th February via 'teams' for all year 10 and 11, where we will share key information and dates, and provide parents with the opportunity to ask general questions after 11s parents evening and ahead of the year 10 parents evening on the 16th February. More information about this forum will be emailed to parent on Monday. These next few weeks will be key for their preparation for the summer exams.

Primary parents have also been into school this week to have progress meetings with teachers. Thankyou to all our parents for their continued support.



A couple of action shots from our recent reward trip day. Students keep working your best and attending school and you will be invited to the

next one!

Year 1 have had a very interesting lesson looking at other religions, making scrolls with their own prayer inside inspired by their lessons on the Jewish faith. They have been learning that some Jewish households have a mezuzah on the doorframe which contains the Shema prayer.



It's not very often the Sports feature on my front page but a special WELL DONE to the GIRLS team who won the girls overall event at the North Shropshire Indoor Athletics Championships

The Boys team came third place. St Martin's won the entire event out of 5 schools which is a brilliant achievement!

Name check to Lily B, Erin W, Maisie E, Jennifer B, Ava K,

Lucy H, Katie H, Madisyn HH, Justin L, Leighton L, Noah D, Owynn E, Harry N, Luke H, Ben N.
Have a lovely weekend Ms Lovecy





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TUES 7 FEB 2023

ALL ABOUT apprenticeships

Find out about career opportunities available in Shropshire.

2pm – 7pm at Shrewsbury Town Football Club

#ShropApprentice

We're really pleased to announce that All About Apprenticeships 2023 will take place in National Apprenticeship Week – Tuesday 7 February 2023. Save the date and spread the word!

It will build on the very successful event of 2022 which attracted more than 600 young people, parents and teachers, all keen to find out more about Apprenticeships.

Employers representing a wide range of industries, training providers, colleges and universities from across the county will showcase their offer and provide advice and guidance about Apprenticeships.

For more information visit: shropshireapprenticeships.co.uk



GAMES & HOT CHOCOLATE!

A free family event at
GOBOWEN LIBRARY

Tuesday 21 February 10.30-12

Join us for a cosy morning of board games & hot chocolate.
Suitable for children aged 4+

Booking essential - call 01691-653388 or email gobowen.library@shropshire.gov.uk for details

Shropshire Council Shropshire Libraries

Ahead of Apprenticeship week next week the government has written a letter to all parent. Use the link below to view:

[NAW2023 Skills Minister Letter Parents \(govdelivery.com\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/skills-minister-letter-to-parents)

And have a look at the school website for more information about careers!!

Parental influence, guidance and education have the potential to empower children to use technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. Parents and carers, visit www.saferinternetday.org or <https://saferinternet.org.uk/> to find out how you can play your part in #SaferInternetDay!

We will be doing activities and assemblies in Primary to raise awareness around this year's theme. Internet safety is a regular focus for secondary students but as always if parents have any questions or concerns about the internet, social media please contact school.

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Our very own Mr Machin will be taking part in the London marathon this April in support of the RJA H hospital—

QUICK REMINDER TO GET THOSE SPONSOR FORMS AND MONEY BACK INTO SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!!

Thank you for your support on behalf of Mr Machin and the RJA H Hospital





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After an eventful journey courtesy of Shropshire Highways we made it to Bowbrook Archers near Shrewsbury, here students were given a chance to try a sport that has become very much part of my life away from school. It has done wonders for my son's confidence so I hoped it could do the same for some of Yr11. I cashed in some favours from friends at the club Jenny (Gold medal Invictus medal winner) Lauren, Ryan, Grace and Callum who helped to give students a taste of archery. Thanks to Mrs Creighton Poli and Mr Carr who accompanied me (we even may have persuaded Mrs Creighton Poli to take up archery again). If you would like to try archery your nearest club is Croesoswallt Archers www.croesoswalltarchers.co.uk based in the summer months at the Iron Works near Oswestry.

Mrs Seabury

HUB NEWS

We've had another busy week in the libraries!

The **primary library** is now officially open at lunch, three days a week to give children from Years 3-5 even more opportunities to choose books. This is *in addition to* the time already allocated to them by their teacher; it's just an extra opportunity for them to chat to me about reading, and for them to build their independence in accessing library resources. Look out for pictures of it in action in next week's newsletter!

Primary Library

Day	Open at	For
Wednesday	lunchtime	Year 3
Thursday	lunchtime	Year 4
Friday	lunchtime	Year 5



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HUB NEWS CONTINUES!

In the **secondary library**, a number of students have already signed up to *Collect an Author*, and more writers are still being added. Please encourage your children to ask me about it; we are using writers that our students like to read, so everyone has a good chance of collecting at least one!



Thursday was National Ukulele Day, and the magnificent Mr. James kindly brought his equally magnificent Primary Band through to the Hub to entertain us during lunch break. It was lovely to have live music to read along to.

Finally, this week has seen the publication of Issue 2 of the school newspaper, edited this

time by Amy Elliott in Year 11. A special thank you again to the wonderful Martin Wright (Editor-in-chief at the Midland News Association, school parent and official Friend of the Hub) for supporting us with this.

SECONDARY CLASS OF THE WEEK

A new month is time for a new book! Heaps of children have been in to choose something fabulous for February, but the class with the highest numbers of different children who've been in is **8TE!**

READERS OF THE WEEK

Florence Wilkinson – Yr 4, Bessie Lloyd – 7CJ, Isobel Lloyd – 7CJ, Niamh Evans – 7CJ

Jacob Warne – 9LAT, Ms. Vaughan

BOOK OF THE WEEK

This week's Book of the Week is one for the whole family! If your reader isn't up to it themselves, you can read it to them, and then perhaps go and enjoy the new film together at the cinema. Matilda by Roald Dahl is a really fun read, and it has a nice librarian in it, so I'm extra fond of it. Roald Dahl is one of the writers in our Collect An Author scheme too!

The blurb says:

Matilda's parents have called her some terrible things. The truth is, she's a genius and they're the stupid ones. Find out how she gets the better of them and her spiteful headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, as well as discovering that she has a very special power. Have a fabulous, page-turning weekend, Mrs. L

