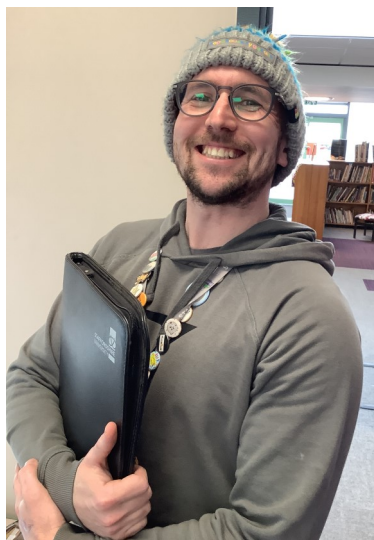




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A big thank you to all students and parents for their support today raising money through a whole school sponsored walk and non uniform day, for Mr Machin who is raising money for the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Hospital. Over £1500 has been raised which is amazing and explains the HUGE grin on Mr



Machin's face!! Well done everyone! Here are the EYFS teams kicking off the walk this morning!



Year 10 and 11 are loving using "mathswatch" which is our online home revision tool. Year 10 and 11 students are encouraged to

use mathswatch independently to work on their target areas. Its easy to login, for example Joseph Bloggs would be josephbloggs@stmartins3-16. Yes their login details are their name and the Password is algebra.

Confirmation of primary after school clubs for after half term has been sent out to parents so please check your emails.

Year 1 have been very creative making fairy tale puppets as part of their Design and Technology unit this week.



We've had a great response from parents who have already downloaded our new Parent app. You can download the Arbor Parent App from the app store. This will then allow you to check your child's details and send updates straight to school and also check school reports. If you are having any issues downloading the app and logging in please contact school .



Advance notice that it is World Book day coming up. IN SCHOOL this will be on FRIDAY 3 MARCH. Students can come dressed as their favourite character from a book, no football kits this time. For any one not dressing up it is FULL school uniform. And again on FRIDAY 17 MARCH is COMIC RELIEF DAY - come in something RED for a suggested donation of £1 for comic relief. **Have a lovely half term and see you all on MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY. School will also be open as normal on the next strike day which is 1 March**

Ms Lovecy





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This is Finley from yr 8 who is part of BMC Motor Sport UK, a company involved in motor sports across the county. Finley says that "at Oulton Park track people who get involved range from 11 to 70 years of age, and everyone has a purpose on race days from scrutineering to being a marshal, its great because everyone does something to do with cars. I am training to be a marshal "Well done Finley, a great hobby!

TNS

As parents will know the February half term activities run by TNS are part of their annual programme of free holiday activities. These clubs are open to all up to the age of 12. Bookings for February half term, as usual can be made directly via this link: <https://www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation/holiday-activities>, and further information can be found on the [school](#) website.

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

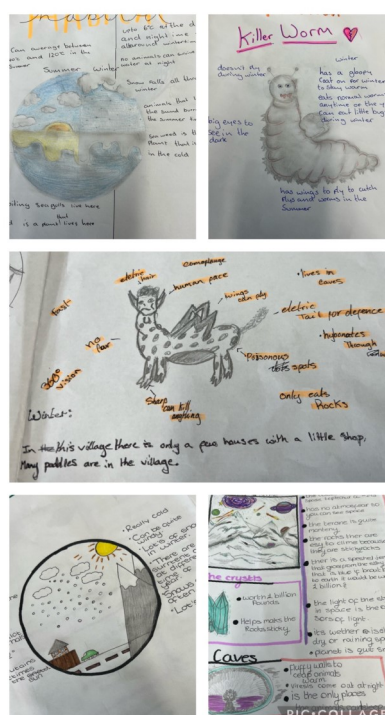
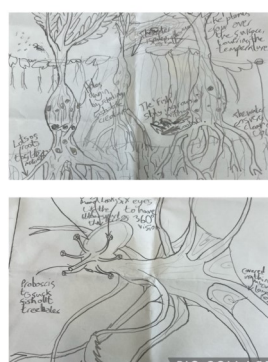
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Well done Abigail from yr 7 wrote to Stans Superstore asking if they could donate some bird food for the feeders they are making in craft club on a Friday.

Stans very kindly donated £20 worth of feed, Thankyou to Stans Superstore for their donation



Year 8 have been working on deepening their understanding of habitats and adaptations. Pupils were tasked with creating their own habitats and creatures. They needed to think about how the organism was adapted to its habitat, it's food source and how these adaptations enabled it to survive. Here is a sample of some of the excellent work produced.



REMINDER THAT OUR EMERGENCY CLOSURE PROCEDURE CAN BE FOUND USING THIS LINK [Emergency closure procedure \(stmartins3-16.org\)](https://www.stmartins3-16.org/emergency-closure-procedure)



HUB NEWS

Another busy week in the libraries, and a very exciting build-up to the first ever St Martins World Book Day Book Festival!

On Tuesday, my wonderful Library Fairies delivered Valentine notes to children and teachers across the school. Thank you to all of the staff and students who were involved in this.



HALF TERM READING CHALLENGE

This half-term's challenge is not just about reading, but also about sharing books with friends & family. © Children in secondary can read half of a book, their friend reads the other half, and then they share the story. Children in primary can read half a book, and a family member can finish the rest with them. If you manage this over the holiday, come in and tell me about it!

WORLD BOOK DAY

Preparations for this year's Book Festival are already underway, and details of the competitions are on display in the Secondary Hub. More information is being sent out alongside this newsletter, and will be available on the [school website too](http://www.stmartins3-16.org).



READERS OF THE WEEK

Marli Edwards-Williams Y4, Charlie Evans – 7CJ, Phoebe Chesworth-Jones – 7ZW, Amy Haslum – 9LAT, Molly Roberts – 9LAT, Kacie Price – 9HS, Bethany King – 9SE, Lexie Thomas – 11YC

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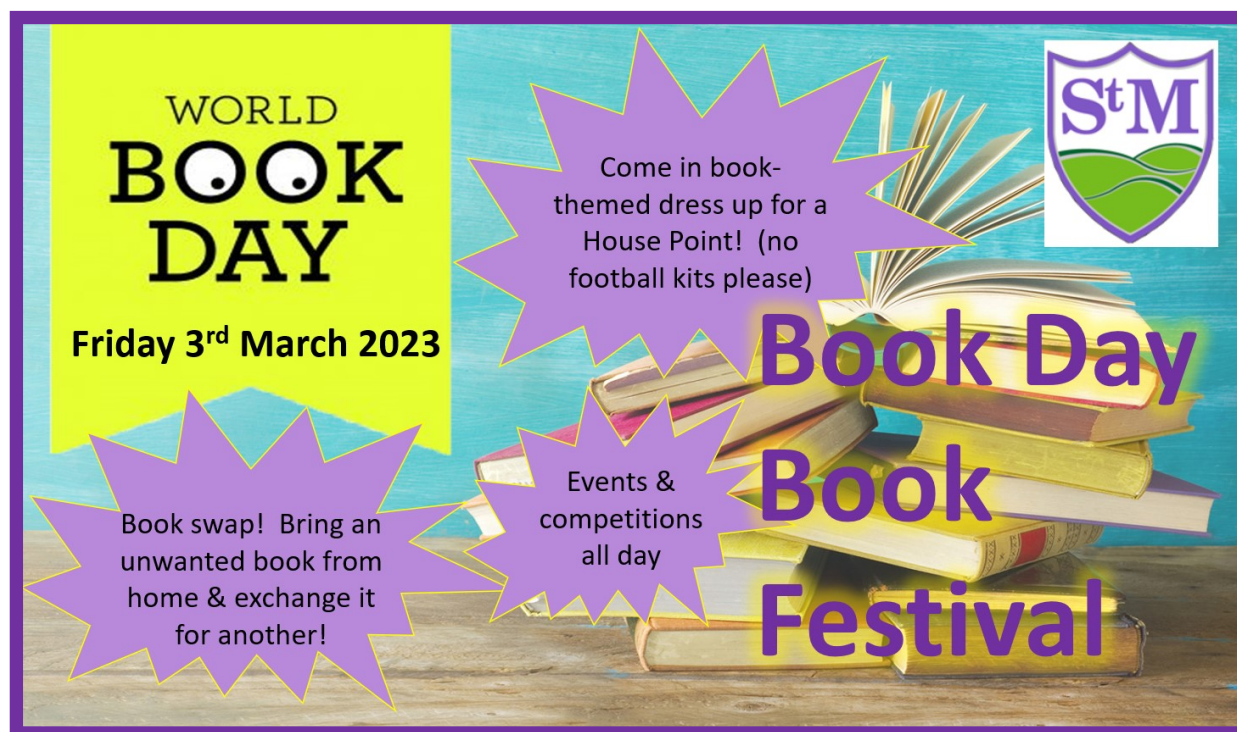
Following our proclamation that Martin Wright was our first official Friend of the Library, I am delighted to announce that more have joined him! Laura Rowlands of Usborne Books has generously donated a number of new books to both libraries, specifically focussing on mental health and related topics. An enormous thank you to her, and to the two sponsors who supported the donation; Superior Garage Doors, owned by Paul Reese, a St Martins parent, & Town and Country Estate Agents in Oswestry.

BOOK OF THE WEEK... will return after half term!

Have a wonderful, story-inspiring break! Mrs. L



World Book Day



Friday 3rd March is the **St Martins Book Day Book Festival**.

Further information is being sent out separately, but highlights include:

- * Book-themed dress up
- * Book swap stalls across the school
- * Book-themed Bake Sale to raise money for the school
- * Competitions across primary and secondary to celebrate your children's skills! We have art, tech, cookery, English, music competitions and more.

Any questions? Email Ailsa.Lane@stm.318education.co.uk