

ST MARTINS SCHOOL

3 May 2024

Our St Martins Unlimited enterprise team have been very busy preparing the primary garden—today they officially handed it over to staff and students. I am sure you'll agree that the garden looks absolutely wonderful—thank you for all your hard work and for the very generous donation's from local companies including **Dobbies and ECT Sawmills** and the support of **Be a Better Fish**, and **Paul and David**, the organisers of the **St Martins Flower and Vegetable show**.



Promotions were awarded this week for some of our Combined Cadet Force (CCF) - achieving the required level of skills in activities including first aid, shooting, map and compass reading and physical training.

Those that have Corporal rank have also been heavily involved in supporting the development of skills with the more junior members. Well

done everyone! **LANCE CORPORAL—Dylan Arias, Faye Bamford-Griffiths, Jack Bamford Griffiths, Lyla Evans, Michael Evans, Taya Evans, Thomas Gaskin, Daryl Jones, Caitlin Lewry, Liam Lloyd, Louie Vagg, Charleigh Rae—Cooke, Daryl Jones** **CORPORAL—Mathew Jones and Keira Penniall**



Congratulations to **Michael Bradshaw** in Year 6 who won the silver medal for the year 5/6 boys' cross-country championships this year. Michael has competed for St Martins in all four races and his total placings have resulted in him coming second overall for the area. Well done that is a massive achievement!

Just a reminder that school will be having a "lockdown" practice next week; we have been talking to all our students in an age appropriate way about this. Along with Fire evacuation practice this is an essential part of our emergency plan. You will I'm sure, be aware of recent incidences in schools in South Wales and Sheffield. Many students tell us that they feel safer knowing that the school is well safeguarded by our fencing and that staff know exactly what to do if it's necessary. The terminology of "lockdown" is one used by the Department of Education and as you will have noticed also used by all areas of reporting such as news channels and other communication channels. We always talk to students in advance and we have never had any issues reported back to me about student's finding it upsetting or worrying. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely long weekend, see you on Tuesday 7 May, Ms Lovecy

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 6 May—Bank holiday
- 9 May—Year 8 parents evening
- 13 May—Year 6 SATs week
- 27-31 May—half term
- 13 June—Pizza Express trip year 4
- June/July—year 7 careers visit to Aico
- 17-18 June—Bronze DofE qualifier
- 20 June—BIG BANG year 7 and 8
- 24 June—WOW day 3
- 26 June—year 11 leavers prom
- 8-12 July—Year 10 work experience
- 10 and 11 July—Quinta camp for year 6
- 15 July—Oscars
- 16 July—SPORTS DAY (date change)**
- 16 July—plant and craft fair**
- 18 July—last day



The Origami Club in primary have been enjoying the folding and decorating to make origami sculptures for others to look at and play with. Miss Fiddy says thankyou for being so helpful and resilient !

A reminder that year 5 visit letter and payment needs to be returned—thankyou! :😊