



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

18 October 2024

Lockdown practise along with evacuation practise is a requirement for schools : we have just had our fire evacuation practise and will be having a 'lockdown' practise in the next few days. Staff are aware of the procedures they need to follow and will work in an age appropriate way with their students: its about remaining safe inside classrooms. Lockdown can be activated in response to a number of reasons, this could include; ☐ A major fire or environmental emergency in the vicinity of the school ☐ Severe weather conditions ☐ A disturbance in the local community, with the potential to pose a risk to staff and pupils in the school, this may be community disturbances, dangerous dogs ☐ An intruder on the school site, with the potential to pose a risk to staff and pupils.



Last weekend Hallie from nursery competed in the British Freestyle Dance Competition at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool. She did amazing, coming 2nd in Freestyle Slow, and first in both Grand Prix and 'Fast'. Thank you for bringing your trophies in to show all your friends in Nursery we are all very proud of you!

This week we hosted the immunisation team for the annual flu immunisations. The team didn't get to see everyone so they will be coming back to school (date to be confirmed) If you want to check

your child is on the list for the second visit please contact :Tel: 01743 730028 E: Shrop-com.immunisationteam@nhs.net

Thankyou to the parish council who have installed new planters outside school. Over the coming weeks our students will be planting these up, if there are any local business who are able to donate plants this would be a great help. (Please contact school using email or phone details at the bottom of this page). These planters will not only look great but they will hopefully act as a deterrent to irresponsible carparking that continues to put children and parents at risk. Our local policing team have sent these posters and ask that we remind our community about safe parking.



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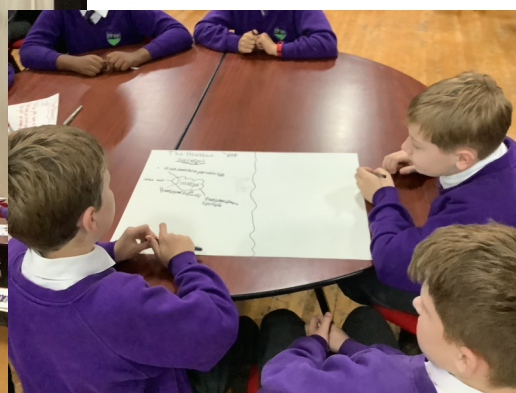
School finishes for half term on Wednesday 23 October and re-opens on Tuesday 5 November—if you want to see term dates for this year and next year please [visit the web-site.](#)

Have a lovely half term, Ms Lovecy



Year 7 transition into secondary school continues this term. Our programme which started back in March 2024 continues with a series of workshops based around the school ethos and the behaviours and attitudes needed to be a part of the St Martins family. Ms Lovecy has been working with Year 7 on what it means to be **SELFLESS—SELF ASSURED—SUCCESSFUL**. The students have been looking at these aims both within the school environment and outside. Next week parents will have the opportunity to speak with the year 7

tutors to see how this transition is progressing.



The “Animal Man” came into school this week to do the best “show and tell” with our KS1, year 3 and 4 students! He talked about the animals, their biology and how they live but also talked about his own career path.

It was great (I think!) to be so hands on with animals we don't see at such a close quarter!

Congratulations to Aleksandra from year 11 who achieved a Bronze Award in the UKMT Senior Maths Challenge, participating with students from year 10 - year 13! It's a great achievement.



There will be **no After School Clubs** after school on **Wednesday 23 October** due to our KS2 Harvest Festival. Extended School will run as normal until 5.30pm for those pupils booked in.

There will be a link sent to KS2 parents/carers via Arbor to complete regarding collecting pupils from the Church or walking back to school.

Dates for the diary

Week beginning 21 October—harvest festivals see poster

22 & 23 October—year 7 review days—emails have been sent to parents to book their appointments via the arbor app

23 October—school closes for half term NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

5 November—school re opens after half term

5-9 November—Malaga trip

12 November—WOW day

14 November—Careers fair for year 9-11 - VERY LIMITED PARKING IN THE MORNING (SMALL STAFF CAR PARK CLOSED TO STAFF AND PARENTS)

15 November—Mock exams start for year 11

19 & 20 November—Activate & Advance learning reviews

29 November—Year 11 trip to post 16 providers

17 December—Christmas Lunch

18 December—"Extravaganza" and staff panto 6.30pm

20 December—last day

PRIMARY HALLOWEEN DISCO

Monday 21st October 2024
4:30pm-5:30pm
£2 on the door

Drinks and snacks will be available to buy

Party clothes/own clothes are welcome.
 Costumes are optional.
 If your child is wearing a costume please ensure it does not include any props, blood or anything younger children may find scary

Harvest Festival

We are asking children to bring in food in tins of packets for our Harvest Festival collection which will take place on:

Monday 21st October

This year, we are delighted to be able to donate the food the children bring in to the residents of Cedar Close.

Parents and carers are invited to join us for our Harvest Festival Services. This will take place on Wednesday 23rd October. Details are below

Nursery and Reception- 9:30am at St Martins School.
 Please sign in at the main reception

Year 1 and Year 2- 10:30am at St Martins School.
 Please sign in at the main Reception

Years 3 to 6- 1:30pm at St Martins Parish Church

If you would like to take your child straight home after the church service, please fill in the form that has been sent out on Arbor.
 Children will not be permitted to walk home alone from the Church.

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ETC SAWMILLS LTD

A big thankyou Christopher Griffiths / Branch Manager of ETC sawmills who has donated timber to our technology department. This will primarily be used by year 11 as they work on their final exam piece.



Congratulation to (left to right) Malachi Lewis, Owynn Evans and Noah Davies all year 10 for playing for Oswestry RC in a very difficult u15 rugby match on Sunday against Newport. Newport were an excellent and well organised team. They played to the highest level until the final whistle.

Also, congratulation to year 11 Ifton House Champi on Annabelle Smith who plays for Oswestry u16 girls team. Annabelle's team beat Matlock, Derbyshire, in a cup match.

St Martins School are very proud of you all!!

John Dory GETS Loaded!

Wednesday 23rd October

- Fish Fingers
Or
Vegetable Fingers
- Chips
- Baked Beans
- Dessert Trolley
(Choice of Puddings)

Aspens Catering

FOOD FESTIVAL

SPARKLE SPECTACULAR

5th November

- Blazing Bonfire Bangers
(Hot Dogs)
- Quorn Bonfire Bangers
(Quorn Hot Dogs)
- Flame-tastic Chips and BBQ Beans
- Firework Rainbow Slaw

AND

Sparkle Sprinkle Cookies

Phonics

Phonics Workshop for Parents/Carers of pupils in our **Reception** class on **Monday 21 October at 2.30pm.**

Phonics workshop for **Year 1 and 2** Parents/Carers on **Monday 11 November at 2.30pm.**

The final workshop will focus on helping pupils to develop their reading further by giving parents/carers strategies to use at home. This is aimed at **KS2** parents/carers. This will take place on **Monday 18 November at 2.30pm.** Parents can book via Arbor. Please sign in at main Reception from 2.15pm. Sessions will be finished before the end of the school day.

NOVEMBER OPEN EVENTS

NOV 6	Deeside & Deeside Sixth 5pm - 8pm	NOV 9	Lyysfasi 10am - 1pm
NOV 13	Yale, Yale Sixth & Berham Road 5pm - 8pm	NOV 16	Northop 10am - 1pm

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