



Mrs Alison Pope, Headteacher

### **St Martins School update 3 – Wednesday 24th September 2025**

Dear parents, carers and families of St Martins School students,

I think I can speak on behalf of the whole school community when I say a massive thankyou to Steph Arias, the Rainbow Hot Air balloon teams, Rainbows, the Keys and everyone who attended and donated at the fundraiser last night. It was an amazing event that was organised so quickly; we are overwhelmed by the support from our community. St Martins really is a special place to live and work.



I have been on the school site all day again today and it is encouraging to be able to see contractors on site in preparation for works to start. Phased return of pupils is dependent on securing these contractors not only for the fabric of the building particularly the arts centre, diner and surrounding areas but the utilities to the rest of the school.

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I just wanted to reiterate that like many public buildings of this age (e.g. hospitals, schools, libraries), the school building does have some asbestos. This has been reduced over recent years during recent building work. We can confirm that there is NO ASBESTOS in the areas affected by the fire. This has been confirmed by an external assessor and the fire service. Asbestos does not pose a risk unless it is “disturbed”. The fire services handed the building back to me, yesterday stating there was no on-going asbestos risk.

### **Current status – for information**

The school is closed to all pupils on Thursday 25th and Friday 26th September. We are not currently in a position to give a re-opening date but hope to give a clearer timeline by Friday.

### **Next steps**

- Remote learning with work set via Microsoft teams will continue this week – parents and pupils, please do what you can.
- Microsoft Teams can be accessed on your phone via an app.
- Please continue to email school with any queries or issues.
- School will remain closed this week.
- We will be working with utilities this week to reinstall to the rest of school.
- Working towards alternatives for next week
- FSM have been ordered and are available for collection from the community centre. We are sorry we cannot get these delivered out to the wider community
- There will be staff in Stans tomorrow between 10am and 12.00pm.
- There is some printed work for year 1-6 , and KS3 from 10 – 1pm available from the community centre.

### **Follow up questions**

If you have any follow up questions, please email [reception@stm.318education.co.uk](mailto:reception@stm.318education.co.uk). We will include responses in this daily email, unless your question is of a very specific or personal nature.

Thank you again for your ongoing support this week.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Pope  
Headteacher