



# ST MARTINS SCHOOL

5 December 2025

It was lovely to meet with prospective reception parents this week—the deadline to apply for a place in reception 2026 is the 15 January. Even if you attend nursery you will still need to apply.

[Starting infant or primary school | Shropshire Council](#)

We are starting our trial of the St Martins primary shuttle bus on Monday—this will continue for this term and will be reviewed. There is still time to book a place on the primary St Martins (village) shuttle bus—please use this link [Shuttle Bus Place Request Form – Fill out form](#)

We didn't include a link for our Wrexham students to check their eligibility for school transport please use this link [School transport | Wrexham County Borough Council](#), and for Shropshire residents its [School transport | Shropshire Council](#)

The Bank Top Industrial Estate is a working industrial site and similar to the school car park, has extra large vehicles accessing it. Please re-think about parking here for safety reasons.

Thankyou again to Dobbies garden centre for our lovely Christmas tree that was decorated by the house team and taking pride of place in the Diner.

Congratulations to our amazing netball stars!

This week, they represented St. Martins with incredible determination against strong, experienced teams. Their resilience and teamwork were truly amazing.

Game 1 was captained by Lia Nunnerley with players Megan Vaughan, Nola Reese, Ruby Evans, Zara Higman, Lowri Hall, Violet Thomas-Evans. The result was 3–7 Despite leading 2–0 early on, the team fought hard until the end. A special mention to Ruby Evans for an outstanding debut! In game 2, Amelia Morris joined the squad, and the team showed great control and composure. Result was 2–3

Games 3 & 4 were captained by Aku Out Serebour with Niamh Evans, Amelia Morris, Mair Hughes, Izzy Miner, Caitriona Convery, Phoebe Foster. Result was 0–11 These were tough matches against powerful, experienced opponents. Remember—never be afraid to have a go. Well done, everyone, for your courage and perseverance. The school is proud of you!

The Just a reminder that students in secondary are spending more time outside either moving from class to class or at breaks and lunchtime, please encourage your child to bring a coat to school.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Pope





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We will be hosting a MINI XMAS EXTRAVAGANZA 10th DECEMBER at the Miners Institute in St Martins. A donation bucket will be available on the night, please donate what you can, 6.00pm start, students to be accompanied by a parent/carer

## Christmas at St Martins School

Nursery : Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2pm – 2 tickets per pupil – please sign in at the Studio door

Reception: Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm – 2 tickets per pupil – please sign in at the Studio door

Years 1 and 2 – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – 2.15pm – At St Martins Parish Church

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – Thursday 18 December – 2.15pm – At St Martins Parish Church

Further information will follow regarding clothing and permissions.

### Pantomimes

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 and Year 3 (Mrs Pritchard's Class) visit to Pantomime – tickets available on Parent Pay – normal homework arrangements

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Year 3/4, 5/6 and Year 6 visit to Pantomime – tickets available on Parent Pay

Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch to school or Free School Meals can be ordered by emailing class teachers.

A snack and drink will be provided by school.

Pupils should wear their normal school uniform but can bring a Christmas hat or headband if they wish.

### Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – pupils are invited to wear a Christmas jumper or Christmas costume

### Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas dinner – whole school

The last day of term will be non uniform for primary pupils only as there will be class parties.

**GCSE ART**  
**Catch Up**  
**FOR YEARS 10 & 11**  
**ART STUDENTS ONLY!**

Tuesday Lunch Time	Wednesday After School	Thursday Lunch Time
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**HOUSE CHRISTMAS COMPETITION**

Do you love Christmas trees as much as we do?  
Then you'll love this winter competition!

**Task:** create/design a Christmas tree. It can be made out of ANY material, any colour, 2D or 3D. Unique trees welcome!

Give your entry to your class teacher/tutor before **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** to be in with a chance of winning! There will be two winners from each house (8 winners in total!)



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## VILLAGE WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

AN EXCITING AND ENGAGING PROGRAMME OF FREE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR SIX

**Lots of games and activities for children of all abilities**

Children and young people are invited to join us to take part in lots of fun activities, sports and games, all supervised by fully qualified and DBS checked sports activity coaches and youth workers.

Limited places available. Registration essential. If your child would like to play football, please ensure they bring boots and shinpads (Goboven and St Martins only).

The activities will be held on the following dates:

Mon 22nd Dec	Goboven Pavilion & Playing Fields	1pm - 5pm
Tue 23rd Dec	Weston Rhyn Institute	1pm - 5pm
Tue 30th Dec	St Martins Centre	1pm - 5pm
Mon 5th Jan	Whittington Senior Citizens Hall	10am - 2pm


This opportunity is provided as part of the government's expanded Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Shropshire, funded by the Department for Education. Thanks also go to a number of other local funders who have provided additional support to enable our provision to be free for all children and young people attending. To find out more, view the 'What's On' guide and sign up to the HAF newsletter go to: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/HAF)

To book your place, visit:  
[www.tnsfc.org.uk/foundation-events](http://www.tnsfc.org.uk/foundation-events)



**FREE ENTRY**

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## WHITTINGTON WINTER YOUTH EVENTS!

Join us over the winter holidays to take part in a range of fun activities at Whittington Senior Citizens Hall and Park Hall Stadium.

There will be a Nintendo Switch, table tennis, bingo, and plenty of games and activities to enjoy, along with space to relax and spend time with friends, or join us for a game of football at Park Hall Stadium

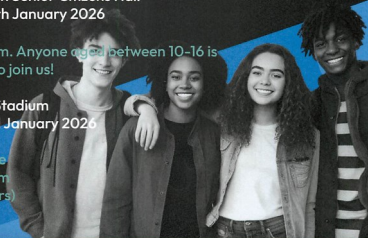
Come along and get involved - everyone is welcome!  
We have free food on offer too!

Whittington Senior Citizens Hall  
Monday 5th January 2026

3pm to 5pm. Anyone aged between 10-16 is welcome to join us!

Park Hall Stadium  
Friday 2nd January 2026

Teen Football  
2pm to 4pm  
(11 - 16 years)



Register to attend at: <https://www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation/holiday-activities>



## Dates for the diary

- 10 December—nursery xmas performance 2pm studio
- 11 December—reception xmas performance 2.30pm studio
- 11 December—year 10 parents evening
- 11 December whole school Xmas jumper day to be worn with school uniform
- 16 December—whole school Xmas lunch day
- 17 December—Flu immunisation see letter
- 17 December—yr 1 & 2 Xmas performance 2.15pm Church
- 18 December—yr 3-6 xmas performance 2.15pm Church
- 19 December—last day (NON uniform primary)
- 5 January—first day back

FOOD FESTIVAL  
16th December

## FESTIVE FUN 16th December

Roast Turkey & Stuffing

Or

Roasted Vegetable, Cranberry & Cheese Puff Pastry Parcel

With

Roasties, Christmas Vegetable Medley and Gravy

Rudolph's Nose Cookie

Or

Christmas Chocolate Brownie

Primary-£3.25

Secondary-£3.50

UFSM-FSM-Not Affected

