



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

2 October 2026

Exciting Author Visit - John Patrick Green!

On **Thursday 8 October**, we are thrilled to welcome bestselling children's author and illustrator **John Patrick Green** to our school for a very special event.

Children in **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** will have the opportunity to spend an hour with John, discovering more about his creative journey, hearing about his popular books, and taking part in a fun and interactive **draw-along session** led by the author himself. Books can be purchased online via the following link: <https://www.bookabookshop.co.uk/>

[category/school-events/](https://www.bookabookshop.co.uk/category/school-events/) Please select 'collect from store' as the delivery method, and the books will be brought to school.



John Patrick Green
Thurs 8th Oct 2026

Book John Patrick Green for pupils in **Key Stage 2**! His new book **InvestGators: Weather or Not** is being published this June. John's graphic novels are hilarious and full of mischief! They are perfect for readers aged 7 to 11.

We are looking for a **minimum order of 20 copies of 200+ pupils** at each venue. There are morning and afternoon slots available for a session with John, who will also provide a draw along element to his author visit.

We expect a minimum sale of **20 copies** of the book through pupil and school orders, because of this there is no charge for their visit. **InvestGators: Weather or Not** will be available to purchase at £12 each, alongside three other titles at £9 each.

The **InvestGators** latest case is a **disaster**! The city's water supply has been replaced with milk and the newest **felix agents**, the **InvestGators**, don't seem to be complaining.

What's with the monkey scientists and why is the rain green? All will be revealed in this sticky volume of **InvestGators**! The **InvestGators** series is a hit with readers of all ages and covers positive themes like: **Fun teamwork**, **Never giving up**, **Peaky problem-solving**

01691 662244 | sian@bookabookshop.co.uk | www.bookabookshop.co.uk

Our Open Evening takes place on Monday 12 October and is a wonderful opportunity to showcase everything that makes St Martins such a special school. We could not make this event happen without the support of our student helpers and their families, and we are incredibly grateful for their involvement. If your child has volunteered to help, please ensure that consent forms are completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

To support students attending the evening, we will be running a school bus service to collect and take students home afterwards. Details of pick-up points and times can be found in the accompanying [letter](#).

A huge congratulations to **Walliams Class**, our **Primary Class of the Week**! They have been chosen for consistently demonstrating our school values of being **Safe, Thoughtful and Motivated** in everything they do. Their positive attitude, kindness, hard work and excellent behaviour have really stood out this week.

Well done, Walliams Class. Keep up the fantastic work and continue being brilliant role models for others.



Congratulations to Amber, Evan and Mason, who have been awarded the Headteacher's Award. It was a pleasure to present their certificates and celebrate their achievements over a drink and cake. We had a lovely chat about all they have accomplished and how proud we are of them. Well done to all three on this well-deserved

recognition!

Please avoid parking in the bus stop as this prevents the Arriva bus pulling in safely. **Can I remind parents that there is no parking in Morlas Meadows; it is for residents only. Thankyou for your understanding.**

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Pope



Dates for the diary

7&8 October—Quinta Camp for year 7

9 October—careers aspiration day in primary

12 October open day and evening for prospective students year 7 2027

Tuesday 13 October - Harvest Festival 2.15pm St Martins Church, Years 1,2,3 (Mr Riley's class, Mrs Evans' class and Mrs Pritchard's class).

Wednesday 14 October - Harvest Festival 2.15pm St Martins School, Years 4, 5 and 6 (Ms Richardson's class, Mr Spelman's class and Mrs Keen's class). Parents/carers, family and friends are all welcome to attend.

Arrangements After the services, pupils can be collected from the church by a designated adult or walk back to school to be collected as normal or to attend After School Club. A Microsoft Form will be sent out to gather this information. Please note, this event is weather dependent as pupils will walk to and from the church. Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat with them. Unfortunately, if we need to cancel because of the weather, there is no reserve date and we will hold our services in school (pupils only). If we have to cancel, we will send out an email at lunchtime.

Wednesday 14 October - Nursery and Reception Harvest Festivals starting with Reception class at 9.15am, followed by Nursery at 9.45am. These services will take place in the Primary Studio and parents/carers, family and friends are welcome to attend. Parents/carers of pupils who normally attend Nursery on a Wednesday morning can come in with pupils as normal and take part in a Harvest based activity in Nursery until it is time to move to the Studio. Parents/carers and Nursery children who don't normally attend Wednesday morning sessions, are welcome to attend at 9.45am and go straight to the Primary Studio door (next to the Nursery Gate) to sign in. Any questions about Nursery or Reception Harvest Festivals, please email Ms Faulks or Mrs Duncan.

15 October—yr 7 careers day

15 October—Halloween disco for primary

HALF TERM 19 OCTOBER—30 OCTOBER—PD day 2 NOVEMBER

3 November- students return to school

26 November—secondary flu vaccinations

WHATS COMING UP!

Fire Drill Practise - Pupils have been shown what to expect by their teachers and we've also prepared a useful resource on the [website](#).

Are you a SEND parent - would you welcome the opportunity to meet other St Martins SEND parents, to share experiences. **Thursday 15th October at 10.15am - 11.15am**— Main school reception. Stella Ellis SENDCO will be available to listen to general feedback but will not be able to take direct meetings about individual children.

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Monday

Break:
➤ Yr 11 Indoor Football

Lunch:
➤ Yr 11 Indoor Football

After School:
➤ Yr 10 & 11 Maths and Science Support Session (HS, KA)
➤ Girls Football (CV)
➤ Homework Club 3.10 - 4.15pm (LT, MM, ZW, JMa)
➤ BAND (CJ)

Tuesday

Break:
➤ Year 10 Indoor Football

Lunch:
➤ Revision Café, (ZM)
➤ Year 10 Indoor Football

After School:
➤ GCSE revision (ZM)
➤ Netball for all (ZHJ)
➤ MT Club - Matilda Rehearsals (DM)
➤ Boys Football Y9,10,11 (JPO)
➤ English Drop-in (LR) (TE)
➤ KS4 Art Club (NP)

Wednesday

Break:
➤ Yr 9 Indoor Football

Lunch:
➤ Revision Café (ZM)
➤ Dungeons and Dragons (H1)

After School:
➤ Yr 7 and 8 Boys Football (SW)

Thursday

Break:
➤ Yr 8 Indoor Football

Lunch:
➤ Badminton (ZHJ)
➤ Revision Café (ZM)

After School:
➤ STM RADIO (TE/LE/CJ)

AFTER SCHOOL:
Please sign up for the late bus
Monday/Tuesday/ Wednesday 4.20pm

Friday

Break:
➤ Yr 7 Indoor Football

Lunch:
➤ Maths Homework Club (SS)
➤ Creative Writing Club (LR)
➤ Band (CJ)

Register for The Wellbeing Hub

SCAN ME



Parents at St Martins School

Congratulations to the **Year 7 boys' football teams** who represented the school superbly against **Ysgol Dinas Brân** yesterday.

While one team faced a tough opponent and suffered a heavy defeat, and the other battled to an exciting **2-2 draw before narrowly losing on penalties**, the scorelines do not tell the full story. The boys showed tremendous determination, teamwork and resilience throughout, competing brilliantly against strong opposition and more than holding their own.

A special mention goes to **Evan K, Jacob N and Deacon H** for their outstanding performances, commitment and positive attitude. They were excellent ambassadors for the school and should be very proud of their efforts.

Well done to all involved.

OSWESTRY TIGERS U15S

GOING INTO YEAR 10?

THURSDAYS | 6:00 - 7:00PM
GOBOWEN PLAYING FIELDS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS

ANTHONY | 07889 799378 | CRAIG | 07983 553677

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318 EDUCATION TRUST **ANGEL HILL FOOD CO.**

MENU DATES

SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER 2026

WEEK	DATES
WEEK 1	2nd–4th September
	21st–25th September
	12th–16th October
	16th–20th November
	7th–11th December
WEEK 2	7th–11th September
	28th September–2nd October
	3rd–6th November
	14th–18th December
WEEK 3	14th–18th September
	5th–9th October
	9th–13th November
	30th November–4th December

Great Food. Better Futures.

Baby Stop

Saving the planet one baby step at a time

Next Babyshare!

Saturday 24th October 2026
2.00pm–3.30pm

Harlescott Grange Community Hub
Kynaston Road
Shrewsbury SY1 3JR

www.babystop.uk

The New Saints Foundation

COOKING & JAMMING YOUTH

Aged 10–17? Come along, meet new people, enjoy music, get creative in the kitchen, and learn cooking skills!

GET INVOLVED:

- Discover new music and have a go at playing
- Learn new skills and recipes with a qualified chef
- Cook, create and enjoy delicious food
- Have fun, socialise and make new friends

DATE Every Tuesday 4pm–6pm
VENUE The Centre Spot Oswestry
COST £2 per session (covers cost of food)

COOK • CREATE • JAM • BELONG

North Area What's On in October
Early Help Coffee and Chat

Free sessions! You do not need a child to attend the sessions to access support for your family. Safe, comfortable, and informal space to talk. Early Help Family Support workers are available to chat every week. We look forward to seeing you.

Date	Who you can talk to today...	Look what's on today...
6th October 2026	• Early Help	Join the early help team at Gobowen Library 10.30am–12.00 midday You can get free information, advice and support on all aspects of family life, at our Early Help Family Drop-In. You can chat, have a coffee and see how we can help you
15th October 2026	• Early Help	Join the early help team at Wem Library 13.00–14.45 pm You can get free information, advice and support on all aspects of family life, at our Early Help Family Drop-In. You can chat, have a coffee and see how we can help you
15th October 2026	• Early Help	Join the early help team at Ellesmere Library 9.30–11.30 am You can get free information, advice and support on all aspects of family life, at our Early Help Family Drop-In. You can chat, have a coffee and see how we can help you

Please see individual timings and venues

shropshire.gov.uk/early-help

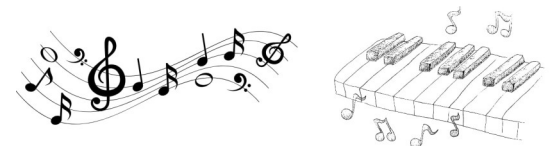
What's On in October at Oswestry Library
Early Help Coffee and Chat

Free sessions! You do not need a child to attend the sessions to access support for your family. Safe, comfortable, and informal space to talk. Early Help Family Support workers are available to chat every week. We look forward to seeing you.

Date	Who you can talk to today...	Look what's on today...
1st October 2026	• Early Help O-S Team • Health Visitor • SOAS • Star Housing • DWP • Shropshire Council Support	AUTUMN THEME Have a Herring with dried leaves O-S Team will be supporting your baby's and children's early speech and language development through everyday activities.
8th October 2026	• Early Help • Parenting Team • DWP • Shropshire Council Support • Star Housing	AUTUMN THEME Pouring and sipping with conkers
15th October 2026	• Early Help and O-S Team • Health Visitor • Star Housing • DWP • Shropshire Council Support • Parenting Team	AUTUMN THEME Leaf huddles with an Autumn Story O-S Team will be supporting your baby's and children's early speech and language development through everyday activities.
22nd October 2026	• Early Help • Parenting Team • DWP • Shropshire Council Support • Star Housing	AUTUMN THEME Make a Scarecrow & sing Dingie Dangle Scarecrow
29th October 2026	• Early Help • Parenting Team • DWP • Shropshire Council Support • Star Housing	AUTUMN THEME Halloween for older children - pumpkins, funny bones story, spooky colouring

Castle View, Oswestry SY11 1JN
Thursdays 9.30am until 12.00pm

shropshire.gov.uk/early-help



St Martins School Choir & Porthywaen Youth and Training Band

St Martins Methodist Church,
Ellesmere Rd SY11 3BD

Friday 9th October
7.00pm

£10 per adult
Under 16s donation
Pay on door

Proceeds in aid of
St Martins Methodist Church

