



Wishing you all a restful Bank Holiday weekend. Please be reminded that on Friday, in recognition of Harvest, we will be collecting donations for our local Food Bank – please bring nutritional items with a long shelf life such as: Cereal, Soup, Pasta, Rice, Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce, Lentils, beans and pulses, Tinned meat, Tinned vegetables, Tea/coffee, Tinned fruit, Biscuits, UHT milk, Fruit juice. Thank you.



This Week's Shooting Stars



- Olivia M:** Showing respect and kindness during her phonics lesson
- Ari:** Settling in so well to EYFS – we are so pleased you joined our school.
- Freddie:** Excellent phonics
- Ella:** Great phonics
- Mila:** Being nurturing to her peers and those younger than her
- Kush:** Being gracious in victory and thoughtful to his disappointed friends
- Lara:** Excellent listening skills and showing independence in improving her work.
- Kaylan:** For showing a good understanding when learning about place value
- Quinn:** For thinking of and using fantastic colourful adjectives during English lessons
- Jacob D:** Achieving highly in his writing
- Siyona:** Independently achieving with her presentation
- Joshua G:** Being so kind and nurturing to the younger children in Tea Time club
- Noah G:** Being so kind and nurturing to the younger children in Tea Time club
- Suleman:** Settling in so well to our class – welcome!
- Hussein:** Settling in so well to our class – welcome!
- Anushka:** Settling in so well to our class – welcome!
- Philip:** Thoughtfully showing the class some amazing IT skills.

This week's **Head Teacher's Award** goes to **Kabir** for thoughtful reflections in RE and identifying symbolism in religion. Well done!

Golden Tea is an opportunity for children to show Mrs Wilson the work they have completed that week of which they are most proud, whilst enjoying juice and biscuits together. The following children will meet with Mrs Wilson during break-time on Monday

Andrea

Bhim

Yugo S

Jacob D

Congratulations to Mr Guyster on the birth of his new baby boy. We are thankful that Mr Guyster has agreed to split his paternity leave in order to support the key learning of Form 5 and 6 pupils. The first week of which he will be taking next week whilst Form 5 are on their residential trip.

Appointments were sent out this week for you to meet your child's teacher. If you are unable to make this appointment, please e-mail the Form email with your availability and we will endeavour to re-schedule a mutually convenient time.

Term Dates 2022 - 2023

Autumn Term 2022

Return to School: Wed 7th Sept 2022
Half Term Break: Mon 17th Oct - Fri 28th Oct 2022
Term Ends: Friday 9th Dec 2022

Spring Term 2023:

Return to School: Wed 4th Jan 2023
Half Term Break: Mon 13th Feb to Fri 17th Feb
Term Ends: Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023:

Return to School: Tue 25th April 2023
Half Term Break: Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June
Term Ends: Friday 14th July 2023

Autumn Term 2023:

Return to School: Wed 6th September 2023

World Car-free Day will be held on 22nd September. It is an international initiative to encourage people to use their cars less frequently. Taking part will help improve our school's air quality, with fewer cars idling nearby; reduce congestion around our gates, creating a safer environment for pupils; and help keep everyone healthy by travelling to school actively.

For this day, we encourage you to leave the car at home and walk, cycle or scoot instead (if you don't already). If you need to drive part of the way to school, you can take part in 'Park and Stride' by parking away from the school gate and walking the rest of the way. This ensures we can create a safe 'car-free zone' around the school itself.

We will be awarding those who take part with certificates and stickers. Taking part in this initiative will help St. Martin's to maintain our current Gold TfL status.

This week, pupils delivered their speeches and were elected into our pupil voice roles. Congratulations to the following pupils for their new roles:

School Council

EYFS: Ella

F1: Nyla

F2: Aum

F3: Ethan

F4: Lara

F5: Aman

F6: Phillip

Eco-council

Andrea

Azikiwe

Rania

Izzy

Yugo S

Anthony

Healthy School Council

Isioma

Sara

Sid

Sophia T

Alayna

Siyona

Seth

Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTAs)

F5 – Samarth, Zack, Jayden

F6 – Olivia W, Rohan, Molly

Next Week As per our previous communications, please be reminded that we are closed on Monday to observe the bank holiday for the late queen's funeral.

Children who were successfully elected to the Eco-council will need to arrive to school at 8.15 on Tuesday morning for the first Eco-council meeting.

Form 5 pupils are on their fabulous residential to Adventureways with the planetarium dome.

Form 1 will be visiting Watersplash Farm on Wednesday to understand more about different plants, animals and their habitats.

Key Dates this half term

Tues 20th – Fri 23rd Sept:	Form 5 residential trip to Adventureways
Wednesday 21st September:	Form 1 trip to Watersplash Farm
Friday 23rd September:	Food Bank collection
Monday 26th September:	Rosh Hashanah – All children will need a packed lunch on this day as our kitchen is closed. Please ensure you have submitted any request for leave forms, if applicable.
Wednesday 28th September:	Parent teacher meetings
Thursday 29th September:	Form 4 Artist visit
Tuesday 4th October:	Form 5 and 6 trip to Science Museum
Wednesday 5th October:	Yom Kippur; please submit any request for leave forms, if applicable. EYFS trip to Science Museum – All children will need a packed lunch on this day
Thursday 6th October:	National Poetry Day
Tuesday 11th October:	Form 2 trip to Cutty Sark
Wednesday 12th October:	British Values Day in School
Thursday 13th October:	Topic homework walk about.
Friday 14th October:	Diwali celebrations – please feel free to dress in traditional clothes.

Please be reminded, Form 4's Longtown trip is 31st October – 2nd November (First week back after half term) and IEP meetings will also be held this week.

Last Week

There was much excitement in school as Neal Zetter, our associate poet, returned to share some of his recently published and pre-released material with the children. Thank you to all who purchased his books – ordered brand new books will be with you next week.

Congratulations to all the children for their focus and positive attitudes to assessments. We will be analysing and sharing this data over the next few weeks.

Thank you to all the staff and pupils for your calm and sensible behaviour during the fire drills to ensure everyone was successfully evacuated in under 3 minutes.

Thanks to the parents who attended the Form 4 Longtown information meeting – this information including kit list is now available on the parent area of the website for you to refer to.

Form 3 enjoyed their trip to the British museum and special thanks must go to the two parent helpers – Mrs Hyder and Mrs Torii - for their support. Thank you.

We were humbled and honoured to attend the Dutch War Memorial Ceremony today to lay flowers on the graves of our allied servicemen. This touching occasion helps us to remember and learn from history. Well done to the 6 Form 6 pupils who represented the school with respect and dignity.

We are delighted that our Form 6 pupils are given the opportunity to take on positions of responsibility to further develop their leadership skills help develop them as well-rounded individuals before moving onto secondary schools. Below is a list of the positions they hold this year – good luck to you all, I look forward to seeing how you take your role forward in school.

Head Boy:	Seth
Head Girl:	Yunqing
Widor House Captain:	TBC
Mendelssohn House Captain:	Olivia D
Elgar House Captain:	Adam
Sports Captain:	Olivia W
Values Prefect:	Molly and Rohan
Charity Prefect:	Amira
Digital Leader:	Amar
Music and Performance Prefect:	Avani
Play Leader Prefect:	Sarah
School Council Prefect:	Phillip
Reading Prefect:	Ginny
Environmental Prefect:	Anthony

National TA Day

Today is National TA day and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of our teaching team that support the class teachers in their various roles.

Mrs Vietro:	HLTA
Miss Markeson:	EYFS Keyworker
Mrs Bent:	EYFS Keyworker
Miss Ocansey:	EYFS Keyworker
Miss Mitson:	EYFS Keyworker and LSA
Miss Mukadi:	LSA and EYFS cover
Mrs Posner:	LSA
Mrs Botchway:	LSA
Mrs Champion:	LSA

Need an Acronym Dictionary?!!

TA: Teaching Assistant

HLTA: Higher Level Teaching Assistant

EYFS: Early Year's Foundation Stage

LSA: Learning Support Assistant

We are very grateful for all the work they do to ensure your children are happy, safe and have the very best possible education. Thank You!