



Thank you so much to all families who contributed to our Food Bank collection in school today. The food has been collected and was very much appreciated. Your children discussed why Food Banks are needed and how important it is to help others. So wonderful to see their kindness and maturity shining through. Have a wonderful weekend.



## This Week's Shooting Stars



- Joshua S:** For having kind hands
- Haadi:** For wonderful phonics and blending
- Claudia:** Good maths work
- Mark:** For persevering with maths sums
- Nael:** Kindness with his friends at tea time club
- FORM 1:** Being well-behaved superstars on our school trip. Great job!!
- Kabir:** Working hard to achieve each learning objective.
- Sophia E:** Working so hard and so enthusiastically to understand fractions, showing great resilience
- Rania:** An exceptional instruction video teaching the class all about fractions!
- Rohan J:** Being inclusive and kind – and wonderful PE lesson leading skills.
- Azikiwe:** Thoughtful answers
- Zakariya:** Being a shining star and always showing the St Martin's values in abundance
- Amira:** Selflessly giving up her time to help with the Foodbank collection
- Avani:** Selflessly giving up her time to help with the Foodbank collection
- Shungo:** Tenacity and hard work with an improved mindset. Congratulations!

This week's **Head Teacher's Award** goes to **Anushka** for a fabulous effort with her homework which was all about fractions – well done, we are so proud of you!

**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

**Mark**

**Kishi**

**Elenor**

**Emika**

Your children are busy learning all about online safety in their new digital literacy subject. We have attached some parent guides for your information and we also recommend [www.common sense media.org](http://www.common sense media.org) which gives the appropriate age ratings and education value of a range of media including games, websites and films.

## Term Dates 2022 – 2023

### **Autumn Term 2022**

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

### **Spring Term 2023:**

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

### **Summer Term 2023:**

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

### **Autumn Term 2023:**

Return to School: Wed 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**This Week** Form 5 have had a wonderful time on their residential trip taking part in a wide range of outdoor and adventurous activities and experiencing outer space in the planetarium dome. Great fun was had by all and we would like to say a huge thanks to Mrs Vietro and Miss Mukadi for accompanying the children on their adventure.

Well done to the Eco-council on completing this year's Environmental review – we will be letting everyone know the planned actions for this year following the next meeting.

As I am sure you could tell from the washing that came home, Form 1 had a wonderful trip to Watersplash Farm and Mr Lacey commented about what a fantastic trip it was and how much the children engaged with the learning. Well done Form 1!

Today we were celebrating Harvest in school and in assembly. Thank you all for your generous donations to our local foodbank, they are most grateful. Thanks to Amira and Avani for so graciously helping to organise this worthwhile event and also to EYFS for their fabulous scarecrow and decorations!

**Next Week** Please be reminded to bring a packed lunch on Monday. We will also be celebrating European Day of Languages in assembly. We are looking forward to seeing you all for parents' evenings next week to discuss how your child has settled in and their recent test results. On Thursday, we are excited to have local artist, Diana Sandetskaya, visiting Form 4 who have been analysing some of her work using their key vocabulary and 6 of the 7 elements of art.

Best wishes to those observing Shubun No Hi, the Autumn Equinox - Buddhists believe that on the day of the equinox, the sun rises from the exact east and sets in the exact west, and the spirits of the dead can cross the river which divides this world and the other world. That is why people visit their family graves then and pray for the peaceful repose of their ancestors by offering flowers and incense.

Wishing everyone a Shana Tova - Happy Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year) on Monday – your children enjoyed a slice of apple dipped in honey at lunch time today. This is traditionally eaten by Jewish people at Rosh Hashanah to wish everyone a very sweet new year. Mrs Mbah would like to Thank Mrs Wilson for kindly sharing honey cakes with the staff to wish us all a sweet new year – these were made by Norwood: an amazing charity supporting children and families who face challenges in their lives due to addition education needs, mental health or wellbeing issues or to anyone with learning disabilities or autism.

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> September:** Parent teacher meetings

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September:** Form 4 Artist visit

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October:** Form 5 and 6 trip to Science Museum

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> October:** National Poetry Day

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October:** Form 2 trip to Cutty Sark

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October:** British Values Day in School

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October:** Topic homework walk about.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October:** Diwali celebrations – please feel free to dress in traditional clothes.

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

