



As most of you will know from our recent social media posts, we are delighted to announce that Mr Lacey is proud daddy to a beautiful, healthy, new baby son, Ezra Kweku Marcus Lacey. We know you join us in wishing the family well. **Red Nose Day** noses will go on sale from Monday – please remember £2.50 to buy one! Thank you to Avani, our charity prefect, ably assisted by House Captains, Adam, Sarah and Olivia D who will be selling them before school and during break times.



## This Week's Shooting Stars



- Haadi:** For great sentence writing in phonics
- Ella:** Always trying her best in all activities
- Mark:** Wonderful maths – working out how 10s and 1s work!
- Max:** Excellent numerical knowledge
- Olivia M:** Always being kind to her friends
- Form 1:** Exceptional behaviour on our trip to the Tate Modern and creating wonderful POP ART!
- Sophia T:** Sharing her excellent Islamic knowledge during our RE lesson
- Ariana:** Helping us learn about Islam and showing us her Qur'an
- Amba:** Working hard to be the very best she can be for our school show. Excellent work!
- Bhim:** Working hard to be the very best he can be for our school show. Excellent work!
- Rania:** Sharing her knowledge during RE lessons. Thank you
- Suleman:** Great Islamic knowledge and sharing with his friends.
- Amar M:** Tremendous commitment in all subjects; always willing to attempt higher level tasks
- Siyona:** Being a great team player whilst creating a live news report
- Yugo:** Achieving highly in a presentation about Tutankhamun
- Form 6:** Providing your teachers with a wonderful experience on the Mission trip – thank you

This week, for the first time ever, THREE **Head Teacher's Awards** has been awarded! Congratulations to **Lara** for excellent vocabulary during independent story writing, **Beau** for beautifully presented and thoughtful work on Tutankhamun's tomb – you always take such pride in your work and to **Bhim** for an excellent description of a monster in French! A huge well done to you all.

**Golden Tea** is an opportunity for children to show 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 on Monday morning.

**Sara**

**Ari**

**Dylan**

**Christina**

Show rehearsals are progressing well and work has begun on creating and collating the props this week. If you haven't yet ordered your tickets, please do so as soon as possible. Please also see the attached letter about the costumes your children will need for their part in the show. A separate letter has been sent to the main characters. We are asking that these all come into school on the 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> March in a clearly named bag with all parts also clearly named.

### 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  
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

### Term Dates 2023– 2024

#### **Autumn Term 2023**

Return to School: Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023  
Half Term Break: Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Term Ends: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2023

#### **Spring Term 2024:**

Return to School: Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2024  
Half Term Break: Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb  
Term Ends: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

#### **Summer Term 2024:**

Return to School: Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024  
Half Term Break: Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May  
Term Ends: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

#### **Autumn Term 2024:**

Return to School: Wed 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

### Diary Dates

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March:** Form 5 trip to British Museum.
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March:** Form 3 Overnight trip to Golden Hinde.
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** EYFS trip to Highgate Woods.
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March:** Form 2 National Gallery online workshop
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** **Red Nose Day** – we will be selling Red Noses from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** World Maths Day.
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Form 3 Class Assembly
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** **Easter Bonnet Parade – all parents welcome 2pm at school**
- Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April:** **Family Bingo Afternoon 3pm-5pm \*Details to Come\***

### FULL SCHOOL PRODUCTION – ROBIN AND THE SHERWOOD HOODIES

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March: Matinee Performance 2pm**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March: Evening Performance 5.30pm**

**Hartley Hall, Flower Lane, Mill Hill**

Congratulations to all the children who took Music exams this week – a superb plethora of achievements across instruments and levels! Special mention to Beau, Ariana and Lara for achieving a Merit in their exams and congratulations to Oliver for passing Grade 4 piano and Olivia W for passing her Grade 5 Singing! Also a huge well done to Alayna and Siyona who passed their Grade 3 singing and Anthony who passed his Grade 3 piano. Another 100% pass rate for this term's examinations. Well done to our wonderful pupils and teachers.

Unfortunately, due to the weather, there were significant train cancellations on the Form 6 trip, which meant they had to return early after the mission and missed out on the Bank of England aspect. We are pleased to say that this has been re-scheduled for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March.

Form 2's litter picking was also postponed due to the poor weather conditions being reported. We will keep you informed of the re-schedule date and time of this activity.

**This Week** was National School Breakfast Week. Thank you to Mrs Doherty and our Healthy Schools Council who shared breakfasts from around the world; a different country each day.

On Monday in Assembly we talked about International Women's Day which took place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March and I am delighted by how well this was received. Thank you to the four different parents who took time to share their child's passionate responses at home and to the many children who have come to talk to me about their thoughts and opinions on this matter – I look forward to seeing some of the posters and reports you are creating as a result of our discussions.

On Tuesday, the snow brought excitement to the playground before school and we were delighted to see the wide variety of creative ways the children interacted with it: snow angels, snowballs, snowmen, noughts and crosses and even a game of icy table football!

EYFS have welcomed some exciting new guests to their learning environment – the caterpillars have arrived and are already growing bigger by the day. We are looking forward to seeing them form their chrysalis and hopefully turn into butterflies!

Form 1 impressed Mrs Mbah and Mrs Vietro on their trip to the Tate Modern to look at pop art. They were thinking about some of the key elements of Art – colour, line and shape as well as considering the emotions evoked and how art can be immersive. Special Thanks to Ms Nathwani, our parent helper, for joining us – we really appreciate your time and support.

Form 2 have been using a problem solving approach in their science lessons and have been thinking of ways that they can use everyday materials to make a mode of transport for a snail (instead of travelling on the whale). They have been explaining why the properties of each material make them suitable for transporting.

Form 3 have been building a 3D model of a river in their Topic lesson to help them consider the features a river has and explain a wide range of new vocabulary which they then used when writing their 'Guide to the Riverbank' in English. They have also been delighted to see that - in their 'observation over time' science experiment - some of their seeds, planted last week, have begun to germinate.

Form 4 have thoroughly enjoyed working on some adventurous maths with co-ordinates and shapes.

Form 5 have been writing a wide variety of pieces to explain their learning about Tutankhamun's tomb and hieroglyphics in their Egyptian History work.

Form 6 showed team-work and resilience in their attempts to escape from the mission rooms on their trip to the Escape Rooms. They have also made some wonderful clay pots and ornaments inspired by the style of Maya culture.

**Next Week** We will be selling **red nose day** noses all week. Please bring in £2.50.

Monday – Form 5 are out on their trip to the British Museum to support their learning about Egyptians.

Tuesday – We will be holding our first show rehearsal at Hartley Hall in the afternoon – this should not affect times for after-school pick up.

Wednesday – EYFS are on their trip to Highgate Woods to support their learning about mini-beasts. Mr Mosedale and Mrs Low also set off on the Form 3 overnight residential on the Golden Hinde.

Thursday – Form 3 return from their overnight trip and Form 2 are participating in an online workshop with the National Gallery.

On Wednesday, Mrs Mbah and Mrs Benson were delighted to be invited to afternoon tea at Step by Step Montessori Nursery to begin planning transitions for some of our youngest pupils joining St Martin's in September. It is important that we understand the background and previous experiences of our pupils so that we can fully support them as they become part of the St Martin's family. Likewise, we work hard to facilitate smooth transitions for our Form 6 pupils leaving in July and love to hear about their experiences at the taster and experience days hosted by each of their secondary schools. We also welcome feedback from parents about their experiences with both nurseries and secondary schools.

We would like to wish anyone celebrating the Iranian Fravardigan festival, a Happy Muktaad over the next ten days in the lead up to NoRuz.

