



Happy Norwuz to those who were celebrating Persian New Year on Monday. The holy month of Ramadan begun on Wednesday and we wish 'Ramadan Mubarak' to those who are observing – we wish you a time of reflection, renewal and good health. This Saturday it is Earth hour between 8.30pm and 9.30pm - join millions across the globe who take time to switch off from distractions and focus on our world.



This Week's Shooting Stars



- Andrea:** Showing a wonderful understanding of contractions during English lessons
- Atlin:** Working hard to concentrate in all lessons
- Krishav:** Fantastic comprehension skills and a love of reading
- Ariana:** Inspiring the whole class and giving us ideas for our assembly next week
- Hashini:** Independent work in writing stories filled with mystery and suspense
- Yugo S:** Achieving highly in his independent writing
- Siyona:** Outstanding achievement in her entertaining writing
- Beau:** Independently self-editing work and achieving highly
- Olivia D:** Being an inspirational student – never stop shining!
- Philip:** Being a fantastic leader in all elements of the school show. Excellent!
- Kishi:** Showing wonderful improvement during his phonic sessions
- Freddie:** For wonderful story writing
- Chloe:** Improving during her phonic session and using great formation
- Nael:** Recognising his numbers comfortably

THREE **Head Teacher's Awards** have been awarded this week! Congratulations to **Kush** for planning a fantastic fair test in science, to **Avi M** for outstanding progress in his English work and to **Zack H** for sharing the fantastic poem he wrote about Ancient Egypt on World Poetry Day.

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.

Olivia M

Zahi

Ariana

Yugo T

*** COMPETITION TIME ***

FoSMS Bingo and Afternoon Tea (Flyer attached)

SUNDAY 30th APRIL

3pm-5pm

You may recognize some of the special guest bingo callers at our Charity Bingo and Afternoon Tea on Sunday 30th April. However, they will need some assistance and we would love some of our wonderful children to help! Please ask your children to draw a bingo related picture, write a short story or poem or perhaps think of some St Martin's related number calls! Email your entries to Mrs Wilson at competitions@stmartinsmillhill.co.uk. Your children are very excited – please return your booking forms as soon as you can (by email is fine) as last time it sold out very quickly!

Monday 27th March:	Form 3 Class Assembly
Friday 31st March:	Easter Bonnet Parade – all parents welcome 2pm at school
Friday 31st March:	Food Bank Collection Day – thank you in advance for your generosity.
Tuesday 25th April:	Return to school. Earth Day.
Wednesday 26th April:	Visitors join us in school for our RE day which this year focusses on Hinduism and Buddhism.
Thursday 27th April:	EYFS Come Learn with me (Session 1)
Thursday 27th April:	Form 1 litter picking afternoon.
Friday 28th April:	Open Day
Sunday 30th April:	FOSMS BINGO afternoon
Monday 1st May:	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2nd May:	9.00am Form 6 Assembly
Thursday 4th May:	EYFS Come Learn with me (Session 2)
Friday 5th May:	Coronation Celebrations – Wear red, white and blue for our picnic lunch.
Monday 8th May:	Bank Holiday
W/b Monday 8th May:	Form 6 trip to PGL
W/b Monday 15th May:	Mental Health Awareness Week
W/b Monday 15th May:	Form 6 Bikeability
Thursday 18th May:	EYFS Come Learn with me (Session 3)
Thursday 18th May:	Form 5 litter picking
Friday 19th May:	1.30pm EYFS Concert
Monday 22nd May:	9.00am Form 1 Assembly
Tuesday 23rd May:	8.50 Form 1, 2 and 3 Concert
Tuesday 23rd May:	2.30pm Form 4, 5 and 6 Concert
Thursday 25th May:	8.10 – 8.40am Topic homework walk about.
Friday 26th May:	Last day of half term.
Sunday 2nd July:	Summer Fete 11am – 3pm

This Week

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Davies. The children and staff missed her greatly during her time off.

We have been thinking about the importance of story-telling and its role throughout history. Mrs Mbah dramatically re-told the story of the 'Last wolf in England' and the children enjoyed sharing stories of their own. We also enjoyed sharing our poems on Tuesday for World Poetry Day and were particularly pleased to see the range of topics covered, especially where they linked to what we are learning.

EYFS, Form 1 and 2 all enjoyed their visit to St Michael's and All Angels Church to find out about Easter and we are extremely grateful to Father Steven, once again, for his kindness and generosity in leading these sessions. Form 5 are working exceptionally hard on their textile project to create an Egyptian head dress.

Next Week

Please be reminded that clubs are not held during the final week of term. On Monday at 9am, Form 3 have their class assembly about their trip to the Golden Hinde. On Tuesday, it is the Matinee showing of Robin and The Sherwood Hoodies at 2.00pm. On Wednesday, it is the evening show – please see the show logistics letter for details of timings. On Thursday, Form 6 are going on their rescheduled trip to the Bank of England. Please remember to bring a packed lunch. On Friday, we are celebrating Easter with an Easter egg hunt, crafts and our bonnet parade. **We are also collecting donations for Food Bank Aid on this day.**

Please be reminded to bring your homemade Easter bonnet in on Friday – this replaces the usual topic homework for this term.

Term Dates 2022 – 2023

Autumn Term 2022

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

Term Dates 2023– 2024

Autumn Term 2023

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

Spring Term 2024:

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

Summer Term 2024:

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

Autumn Term 2024:

Return to School: Wed 4th September 2024

Swimming Gala

Thanks to Mrs Low who took our St Martin's swim team to Barnet Primary School Swimming Championships on Monday. They thoroughly enjoyed participating in our first swimming competition post COVID and were exemplary in their sportsmanship and behaviour. Congratulations to our Form 5 and 6 girls in particular for placing 1st and 2nd in their races.

Inter-house competition

Thanks a second time this week to Mrs Low for organising the upper school inter-house invasion games competition and to Mrs Davies and Mrs Bent for organising the lower school inter-house relay races competition. The overall winners for this event were **Elgar** – well done to everyone involved for their energy and exciting.

Parent Meetings

Thank you to all the parents who came into school this week for parent teacher meetings. It is so important to ensure our three-way partnership - with child, home and school working together to ensure the best possible outcomes. We are truly heartened by the over-whelming positive feedback we have received and grateful for your continued support.

Many of our events are posted on our Facebook page with pictures and videos of the children learning. We welcome your positive feedback on these and love hearing from you and your wider families – please keep liking and commenting on our feed. <https://www.facebook.com/stmartinmillhill/>

