



We are already excited about our summer fete which this year will be held on Sunday 2nd July from 11am – 3pm. There will be a 'Wear your own Clothes Day' on Thursday 29th June. Please give your child an unopened bottle for our bottle tombola on this day – wine, juice, toiletries etc all very appreciated. Please save the date and speak to your class rep if you or a friend have a business that would like to have a stall on the day.



This Week's Shooting Stars



- Mark:** Being an achiever – for making a poster about extinct animals and then using shapes to recreate them
- Ari:** Being an achiever – Ari wrote a wonderful sentence to display with the shaving foam
- Claudia:** Being an achiever – Claudia wrote a wonderful description of a haunted castle
- Joshua:** Exceptional progress in addition
- Kush:** Writing a lovely account of his weekend for homework
- Azikiwe:** Independently tidying the classroom
- Amba:** Being an amazing team player and always being positive
- Yugo T:** Amazing independent work on his spirited art project
- Izzy:** Being kind and looking out for others and creating a wonderful picture of Jub and the Witch!
- Siyona:** Achieving highly when creating a live documentary
- Victoria:** Achieving highly when writing an informative mini-book
- Form 6:** Showing tenacity, resilience, kindness and exemplifying all the St Martin's values whilst on their residential this week. A huge well done and thank you to you all. Welcome back!

Two **Head Teacher's Awards** have been awarded this week! Congratulations to **Haadi** for excellent progress in reading as a result of regular reading and exemplary record keeping in his reading record. A huge well done also to **Arya** for using her phonics knowledge in her writing. We are very proud of you both, well done!

A huge congratulations to all the children in school this week for trying their best in the tests.

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 during Monday morning break-time.

Mia P

Joshua J

Kaylan

Shaan

Uniform As we are approaching summer and (hopefully) warmer weather, please be reminded to apply **sunscreen** before school and provide your child with a **sun hat**. Due to the UK weather being as changeable as it is, please also ensure your child continues to bring a **coat** – this can be the lightweight raincoat or full St Martin's coat. Children will be going to the park for their athletics lessons in most weathers and must have appropriate clothing. Please be reminded that summer uniform is mandatory after half term – with the exception of school photo day on Thursday 25th May when summer uniform is compulsory.

W/b Monday 15th May:	Mental Health Awareness Week
W/b Monday 15th May:	Form 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 16th May:	Form 1 and Form 2 trip to Barnet Environmental Centre
Thursday 18th May:	EYFS Come Learn with me (Session 3)
Thursday 18th May:	Form 5 litter picking
Thursday 18th May:	Form 3 Mountfichet Anglo Saxon Castle trip
Friday 19th May:	EYFS and Form 1 Music Recital at 1.30pm (Parents welcome)
Monday 22nd May:	Form 1 Assembly at 9am (Parents welcome)
Tuesday 23rd May:	Form 2 and 3 Music Recital at 8.50am (Parents welcome)
Tuesday 23rd May:	Form 4, 5 and 6 Concert at 2.30pm (Parents welcome)
Wednesday 24th May:	National Archive Visit in school - Form 1
Thursday 25th May:	Topic homework walk about 8.10-8.40am (Parents welcome)
Thursday 25th May:	School Photos
Friday 26th May:	Science Museum trip - Form 4
Friday 26th May:	Wear your own clothes – £2 minimum charity donation please
Tuesday 6th June:	Kew Gardens Trip – Form 2 and Form 5
Wednesday 7th June:	Mill Hill Synagogue Visit – Form 1 and Form 2
Wednesday 12th June:	EYFS Assembly at 9am
Thursday 15th June:	EYFS and Form 1 – Bed Time Stories – details tbc
Tuesday 20th June:	Mill Hill Library Visit – EYFS
Tuesday 20th June:	Form 2 Litter Pick
Wednesday 21st June:	Sports day – Mill Hill Park from 1.30pm
Tuesday 27th June:	Fanconry Visit – at school – Form 5 and EYFS
Wednesday 28th June:	Day Trip to Lille – Form 6
Thursday 29th June:	Own Clothes Day – please bring a bottle for the school fete tombola stall
Sunday 2nd July:	** SUMMER FETE ** 11am – 3pm
Wednesday 5th July:	Transition Day / New Parent's Tea
Thursday 6th July:	Sculpture Workshop – Form 3 and Form 4
Monday 10th July:	Whipsnade Zoo – Whole School Trip
Thursday 13th July:	Prize Giving – St Michael's and All Angels Church at 2pm
Friday 14th July:	For 6 Leaver's Assembly 2pm – Form 6 Parents Welcome

Recitals Children who take a peripatetic lesson have been asked to prepare a piece for our upcoming recitals; please help your child to choose and practice their best performance piece for this wonderful experience. Parents of children who play an instrument will be invited to watch the following performances:

EYFS and Form 1 – Friday 19th May at 1.30pm

Form 2 and 3 – Tuesday 23rd May at 8.50am

Forms 4, 5 and 6 – Tuesday 23rd May at 2.30pm

This Week

On Tuesday, we celebrated Kodomo no Hi, Children's Day - a Japanese festival to bring good luck, health and happiness to all children for the year ahead. The children enjoyed learning about the symbolism of koi carp, samurai helmets and special desserts in the assembly. The lower school had fun colouring in their koi fish drawings whilst the upper school tried their hands at making origami helmets and writing in Japanese kanji!

Form 6 have had an amazing time on their outdoor adventure trip to PGL, taking part in all sorts of activities including: high ropes, buggy building, archery, fencing, climbing, rafting, shooting, shelter making, camp fire, team building and problem solving.

Form 5 have been writing informative pieces of writing about climate change including: podcasts, documentaries, newspaper articles, PowerPoints, news reports, mini books and even an encyclopaedia renamed as an Eco-paedia!

Form 4 have been enjoying their 'Local History' topic. They have looked into the area's rich history of aeronautical engineering, particularly the vast expanse of factories previously on Edgware Road. They have chosen an area to independently research further including: the very first hot air balloon, Edward Elliott and the Curtis Wright CW12 Bi-Plane, the Grey and White XIII built in Mill Hill, the Lewis Blerist XI - which was the first aeroplane to cross the channel to France.

Form 3 have been continuing their study of Beowulf by listening to songs from different characters and writing from the perspective of different characters, producing comics, letters or diaries. They have also written instruction and entertaining texts in the form of spells, poems, instructions and recipes.

Having read their core text, 'The bee who spoke', Form 2 have been writing pieces to convince Mrs Doherty which of their items is best – treehouse, hobbyhorse or easel and explaining what they would pack in their own suitcase and why as well as planning with detailed labelled drawings their mini-beast artwork and making these from Fimo.

Form 1 have been continuing their writing in other lessons this week too by writing their version of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' in French. This helped them to consolidate their learning about the names of fruit and days of the week. They also typed elements of their core text 'Town mouse and Country mouse' with a focus on understanding the text toolbar (Bold, Italics, text colour etc) space bar, delete and how to create a capital letter.

EYFS have also been practising their writing in a variety of ways including: hand strengthening exercises, name writing, lego writing, lists, exciting words, 'magic' crayon writing appearing with paint, sand, foam, and stories.

Next Week

Form 6 are taking part in Bikeability sessions throughout the week, beginning with exercising control and accuracy on the playground leading up to safe travel on the local roads.

The Healthy School Council will be delivering their Sun Safety Assembly on Monday.

The School Council will be helping us to think about Mental Health Awareness Week. The national theme for this year is anxiety and we have attached a leaflet for further information on this topic.

On Monday, Form 6 will be learning about 'Healthy Minds'.

On Tuesday, Form 1 and 2 will be on their trip to Barnet Environmental Centre.

On Wednesday, EYFS are visiting the local shops including the greengrocers, to look at fruit and veg and consider healthy eating choices.

On Thursday, EYFS have their final 'come learn with me session' and Form 5 will be supporting our local community by litter picking in the area with Mill Hill Residents Association. Form 3 have their trip to Mountfichet – the Anglo Saxon castle trip.

On Friday, children in EYFS and Form 1 who have peripatetic lessons will be performing to parents at 1.30pm.

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

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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

On Thursday 25th May, your children will have their individual, sibling, class and full school photos. Please ensure all children arrive in full school SUMMER uniform, including a blazer – if your child has PE on this day, they can bring it with them and change after photos have been taken. Please be reminded that all hair clips and bands **MUST** be dark blue. Many thanks

We are delighted to congratulate Abir who achieved a Merit Grade pass for his Acoustic Guitar exam and to Sophia T for earning her Water Skills Certificate – Level 2 from Swim England. Fantastic achievements. Well done. Please do continue to inform us of outside school achievements – we love to celebrate them together.

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/stmartinsmillhill/>

