



We are very much looking forward to seeing you all at Sport's Day followed by the Spirited Arts Exhibition on Wednesday and then at the School Fete on Sunday – please see all details below. Please don't forget next Friday is a Mufti Day – your children are invited to wear their own clothes in exchange for a bottle for the bottle tombola. Cakes for the cake stall, chocolate for the chocolate tombola and any good quality gifts or bric a brac would all be hugely appreciated. We still need parent helpers at the fete - kindly see the attached letter which we have been asked to resend and let us know how you can contribute. Thank you.



## This Week's Shooting Stars



<b>Dahlia</b>	Great decoding and letter formation during Phonics
<b>Matias</b>	Great letter formation
<b>Kyeisha</b>	Good addition up to 20
<b>Somto</b>	Excellent participation during PE
<b>Charlotte</b>	Using a number line to calculate number bonds to 12
<b>Freddie</b>	Showing a fantastic understanding when adding using the column addition method
<b>Alessandro</b>	Working hard and increasing amount of writing completed.
<b>Kaylan</b>	Superb javelin skills at the Multiskills Festival
<b>Krishnan</b>	His continuing love of reading books and making art!
<b>Abir</b>	Great team-working leadership in science, art and D.T
<b>Krishav</b>	Attempting more challenging reading and more advanced maths skills
<b>Shayan</b>	Outstanding informative writing in Topic
<b>Joshua G</b>	Achieving highly in his research and planning for his writing
<b>Samarth, Ehsan and Jacob</b>	Excellent teamwork to complete their Spirited Arts project

This week, a **Head Teacher's Award** has been awarded to **Ethan** for super evaluation of his cams toy in DT. Congratulations!

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

**KAYLAN**

**NYLA**

**AVI M**

**NOAH G**

We were absolutely thrilled with our inaugural Grandparents' Tea event and delighted to be able to host 66 grandparents during the course of the afternoon. It was wonderful to see so many grandparents enjoying listening to their grandchildren explaining their work. The children, as always, didn't disappoint and were incredibly articulate, polite and well mannered. Thank you especially to the children who performed at the event. A wonderful time was had by all and we are grateful for the positive feedback and thank-yous we have received. Please thank your parents for taking the time to visit their children's school and taking such a joyous interest in their learning.

**This Week** EYFS children have been learning helpful words and using them in a sentence this week. They have been rehearsing lots of blending and writing CVC words. During Maths lessons, EYFS have enjoyed making repeating patterns in a variety of ways and looking at addition up to 20. The children have loved working on our spirited arts whole class piece and can't wait for you all to see it next week. On Monday, EYFS enjoyed their outing with Form 6 cleaning the litter from the streets of Mill Hill. This led to some lovely conversation about why we shouldn't drop litter and why it's important to look after our environment.

For English this week, Form 1 have continued with their core text, 'Halibut Jackson'. The children have learned how to answer comprehension questions, making sure that they try to put some of the question into the answer so that we know to what they are referring. For their Maths lessons, Form 1 have continued with adding using the column addition method. Form 1 have developed and progressed their knowledge of column addition by regrouping (carrying) numbers into the next column. Form 1 have started to learn the difference between weather and climate. The children then used maps and atlases to try and locate countries that have a variety of climates. During RSHE lesson, the children started to learn about their bodies - specifically displaying maturity when learning the correct anatomical names for the parts of the bodies.

Form 2 have had a very busy week. They enjoyed a Multi skills inter-school festival with 21 other teams on Tuesday where they showed off their PE and athletics skills. They have worked diligently on their collaborative artwork for the Spirited Arts competition and are looking forward to this being displayed. During Maths they have found unit and non-unit fractions of quantities. In English, they have been delving more deeply into the character of Puffin (from Puffin's pumpkin) by interviewing him and then writing a play script based upon the conversations they had with him. In Topic, Form 2 began to consider the history of Mill Hill and how it has changed over time.

This week, Form 3 were busy making spectacular and thoughtful artwork for our Spirited Arts show next week. In English they made 'Wanted' posters to find the Iron Man. They also wrote persuasive speeches to rouse the townsfolk into helping catch him. During their Maths lessons, they have continued learning about tenths, hundredths and decimals. In Science, Form 3 investigated how magnetic forces can pass through solid objects and in Topic they examined hamlets, villages, towns and cities and how they compare and differ. Many children in Form 3 enjoyed sharing their work with their grandparents on Wednesday and are looking forward to showing their artwork at the show on Wednesday.

Form 4 looked at equivalent imperial and metric measures this week. They explored cubed numbers and squared numbers and square roots; they have also studied how to find perimeters and areas of complex compound shapes. During English lessons, they focussed on writing art commentaries for Spirited Arts and used 'Point, Evidence, Explain' strategies to answer complex comprehension questions. In Science, Form 4 studied adaptation to habitats and in Topic they have built and tested a river system. During Art/DT, the children tested out their DT models of completed car toys and wrote evaluations of their work. This unit of work has been absolutely fantastic - the children thoroughly enjoying making their models whilst learning the reasoning behind them. Well done Form 4.

Form 5 have written informative texts this week - comparing Northern England, Iceland and the Amazon Rainforest's human and physical geographical features through their own enquiry questions. In Maths, the children have been learning statistics and interpreting line graphs, bar graphs and pie charts. They have evaluated their sculpture work in Art and learned about food chains and food webs during their Science lessons. During Music, the children in Form 5 have worked on song craft by creating their own lyrics to a beat. During Computing, the children have been creating video tutorials and in RSHE they have been exploring their own body images and discussing their thoughts.

In addition to Spirited Arts preparation on Tuesday, Form 6 have enjoyed a variety of excursions this week - On Monday, the children supported our EYFS pupils whilst they litter picked around the local area. In Forest School on Wednesday, the children made shelters by gathering their own resources complete with lounges, play dens and even a boudoir! On Thursday the children participated in workshops from: TFL on safety on the buses and trains and how to use an Oyster Cards; the Metropolitan police on knife crime and cycling; Hope UK on substance use; London Ambulance on Dr ABC and the London Fire Brigade on fire safety in the home. This is all part of the 'Moving On' curriculum, teaching our young people how to successfully manoeuvre life beyond St Martin's as they prepare to leave for their senior schools. Today the children have been to the London Eye to consider the architecture and create their own observational drawings in advance of their upcoming Art unit.

## Next Week

**It is National School Sports Week** – we will be enjoying a range of sports at lunchtime and teachers will be theming some lessons around sporting events such as the upcoming Olympics.

**Monday:** Form 4 and 5 begin their Growing Up Talks with 'Changes'

**Tuesday:** Form 2 and 3 have their Music recital at 9am.

**Wednesday:** The whole school have sports day – please join us at Mill Hill Park for a 2pm start – and the whole school Spirited Arts Exhibition will take place in school from 5 – 7pm – please pop back to school during these times and view the wonderful range of pieces the children have created alongside thoughtful explanations of their work.

**Thursday:** EYFS and Form 5 will have a visit from the falconry specialist and Form 6 have a long day at Forest School – please provide them with a packed lunch!

**Friday:** Form 3 and 6 have a visiting sculpture artist working with them – last year this visit resulted in the iron man's hand we have in the front garden, so we are excited to see this year's results.

**Sunday:** Our Summer Fete! 11am – 3pm

### **Form 6 Lille Trip – 26<sup>th</sup> June**

Form 6 are excitedly anticipating their trip to France to use the language they have accumulated over their time at St Martin's. To avoid potential customs delays at King's Cross, Form 6 will be getting the earlier 5.19am train from Mill Hill Broadway on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Please, therefore, ensure you arrive at the station at 5.00am.

Vancols Photographers are pleased to confirm that the School Photographs are ready to view using the QR code on your proof card. If you have already scanned the QR code on the Proof and registered, you will receive an auto email notification. If you have already registered, you can view by scanning the QR code on your Proof and following the instructions. If you have not received your Proof or it has been lost you can call Vancol's Parent Line on 01206 273711, for class photos you will need the school number. For individual photographs you will need the pupil's admission number. The website for these codes is [www.getphotos.co.uk](http://www.getphotos.co.uk). The online cut-off date for orders to be placed for free postage back to the school is **18th June 2024**.

Many Upper School Children will be performing during the exhibition on Wednesday, we have a range of poetry, dance, music, monologues and readings. Please ensure your child practises their piece throughout the weekend. To ease congestion and to try to accommodate everyone who wanted to perform, we have staggered each classes start time. Form 6 will begin performing at 5.00pm, Form 5 will begin performing at 5.30pm, Form 4 at 6.00pm and Form 3 will begin performing at 6.30pm. Parents, kindly arrive at the exhibition just before your child's performance starting slot

### **Spirited Arts Winners**

All children in school have enjoyed working on their Spirited Arts projects and written explanations of their pieces. We have chosen winners from across the school which will be sent off to the Spirited Arts National Competition. Well done to:

Gabriel	Krishnan, Kush and Aum
Mia	Christina
Form 2 (who created a joint project)	Lara and Alayna
Tobias	Avelyn
Noah, Ariana and Rania	Yunrui, Isla, Shayan, Joshua and Hashini

These pieces will be presented in the EYFS classroom during the Art Exhibition on Wednesday from 5pm to 7pm.

The founder of our mini-medics club provider, Mini First Aid, is raising awareness of the 'CoppaFeel' cancer charity. As a team, the Mini First Aid staff made a 12 hour CPR marathon comprised of 8 minute sections to represent the average ambulance service response time in England for a Category 1 (non-breathing casualty). The final version of this video is now available on our social media.

### **Congratulations**

To Elenor for achieving 'Player of the Tournament' with her "fantastic cool calm collected performance in goal and a hat trick" [*Coach comment*] ensuring her team won the division. The team scored a total of 19 goals over 6 matches without conceding any! Next season, Elenor has been invited to play with Watford Ladies. Well done Elenor, we are so proud of you.

To Ethan who received a Distinction in his Grade 1 Drumming exam. Fabulous!

To all the EYFS and Form 1 pupils who performed in their recital on Tuesday and Thank you to parents who attended.

### **Diary Dates**

- W/c 17<sup>th</sup> June:** National School Sports Week
- 17<sup>th</sup> June:** Form 4 & 5 Growing up talk – changes
- 18 June:** Form 2 & 3 Music Recital at 9am
- 19<sup>th</sup> June:** 1.30 – 3.30 Sports Day and 5pm – 7pm Art Exhibition
- 20<sup>th</sup> June:** EYFS and F5 Falconry visit, F6 Forest School and Kayaking
- 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Form 3 and 6 Metalwork artist experience

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: School Summer Fete 11am – 3pm**

- W/c 24<sup>th</sup> June:** School Diversity and International Week
- 24<sup>th</sup> June:** Form 4 & 5 Growing up talk – puberty
- 25<sup>th</sup> June:** Musical auditions for prize day performers
- 26<sup>th</sup> June:** Form 6 trip to Lille and EYFS class assembly
- 28<sup>th</sup> June:** Form 2 Sleepover
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July:** Form 5 Litter Picking
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** EYFS Welly Wednesday, F6 Forest School/Kayaking, Transition afternoon, Meet the teacher, New Parents' Tea. Children will stay with their new teacher until 4.45pm. Form 4 & 5 Growing up talks – conception
- 5<sup>th</sup> July:** Form 6 Forest School
- W/c 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Clubs will not be running during the final week of term
- 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Full School Trip to Legoland
- 11<sup>th</sup> July:** Topic Homework Walkabout (Parents welcome 8.10 – 8.40) and **2pm Prize Giving**
- 12<sup>th</sup> July:** 2pm Form 6 parents invited to Leaver's Service.

### **\*\* Fete Planning \*\***

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** Mufti Day & Bring a Bottle, Bring a treat for the cake stall, Bring good quality gifts or Bric a Brac

**Anytime!** Bring in a raffle prizes, Bring chocolate for the chocolate tombola

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** Come along and join the fun! 11am – 3pm

**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 3rd 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 23rd April 2024

Half Term Break: Mon 27th May - Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May

Term Ends: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Autumn Term 2024**

Return to School: Wed 4th Sept 2024

Half Term Break: Mon 21st Oct – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov

Term Ends: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024

**Spring Term 2024:**

Return to School: Wed 8th Jan 2025

Half Term Break: Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 21st Feb

Term Ends: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**Summer Term 2025:**

Return to School: Tue 22nd April 2025

Half Term Break: Mon 26th May - Fri 30<sup>th</sup> May

Term Ends: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025