

Ms Sue Lovecy, Head of School

Friday 1st May 2020

Dear parent / carer and students of St Martins School

Keeping in touch week 4

We have reached the end of week 4 and I am still completely overwhelmed by our school communities support for each other in so many ways.

A reminder that we continue to be open and for any enquiries to go to reception@stmartins3-16.org.

I hope that in the near future we will hear a plan from government for the staged return of the rest of our children to school. This week I have had some emails from parents concerned about their children returning to school. All I can say is the safety or your sons and daughters and my staff is my first concern and that we will not have any further return to school until we have published our plans and guidelines and everyone is happy with the way forward.

Next week I am launching some special awards, which will be emailed to children who have done amazing work or helped in their community or household. Teachers and support staff will be nominating their students, so keep sending in pictures, work and let us know if your child has done something special in any way. I will be emailing the children directly so make sure they are looking at their emails from school. Mrs Faulks will be doing something similar in early years.

Just a reminder for year 11, that there is no need to carry on sending any coursework or work into school. This year we have worked with a company called Elevate Education, who come in and delivered revision workshops and talks about preparation for the next stage of education. They have sent us details of a webinar which may help parents.

Details of the event are as follows:

Title: How to help your child study effectively without becoming the enemy

Date: Tuesday 12th May 2020 Time: 6:00 – 7:00pm Cost: Free

Sign up link: https://www.elevatecoaching.info/webinar-uk-1/

Years 9 and 8 have options to choose for next year. Thank you if you have sent these in already. We have extended the deadline until the 8th of May. After this date we will be allocating students to groups, so please read the information on the website under the 'student' tab and return your choices to reception@stmartins3-16.org.

http://www.stmartins3-16.org/students/ks4-and-arts-options/

In one of my last keeping in touch letters I confirmed the changes to uniform for September – a useful 'yes/no' document is on the website to guide parent and student choice about appropriate uniform.

http://www.stmartins3-16.org/parents/uniform/

We are very much still here for the community of St Martins, even though most of us are working from home.

Stay safe and keep smiling.

Sue Lovecy - Your Head of School