



ST MARTINS SCHOOL

22 September 2023

I don't know if staff were lucky when taking these photos that it wasn't raining or that there was a an extended break in the weather for year 3 to really get stuck into to their outdoor football PE lesson. Here they are showing some fantastic ball skills on the primary field. Our silver duke of Edinburgh group have spent a few days away in the Ceiriog valley and onto Llangollen on their practice expedition, weather looks fabulous but reports back to school have said the weather has been a challenge—well done everyone!!



Extra curricula clubs are on the website—there is a list for primary and for secondary students. [Extra Curricular \(stmartins3-16.org\)](http://stmartins3-16.org)

We are working on improving our communications both to parents and the wider community. Our old 'closed group' facebook page will close at the end of September and has already been re-

placed by a new open page that all members of our wider school community can access. Social media tags are: Facebook:



@stmartins.oswestry Instagram:
@st.martins.school The icons on the bottom of this newsletter will take you straight to our pages!

We continue to roll out the use of the Arbor Parent Portal., with the addition of breakfast and after

school club now bookable via the app. If you haven't already done so please request a welcome email from us by emailing reception. Information about the Arbor app is on the website. Help with breakfast and afterschool club please email extendedschool@stm.318education.co.uk Home learning has now also been added.

Thankyou to all the parents that attended the primary Meet and Greet that took place on Wednesday , I hope you found the session gave you some useful information about things going on in the classroom , trips etc... . Just a reminder that parents/carers and grandparents are not permitted to go beyond the first gate in the morning. Our Year 1 and 2 children have practised coming into school with their class teachers. If you have any problems, please let Mrs Connell or Miss Ambler know at the gate and they will arrange for a member of staff to collect your child until they are fully settled in. Thank you for your co-operation. It leads to a smoother start to the day for the children and the staff.. The primary gate closes at 8.55am.

I Have a lovely weekend,

Ms Lovecy



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A GLAMOROUS EVENING OF ALL THINGS PROM.

RUNWAY318

THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

DOORS 6PM · TICKETS ADULT £7 STUDENT £6

REFRESHMENTS · LOCAL BUSINESSES · RAFFLES



Year 11 Prom 2024 letters have been emailed to parents and sent home with students—copy also on the website. Deposit and consent forms need to be returned by 30 November.

Check out this fabulous evening of all things PROM! We will be showcasing our luxurious prom attire from Chic & Unique who aim to bring an environmentally friendly approach to the prom season. All students deserve to feel special and parents don't have to break the bank! Tickets available from <https://runway318.eventbrite.com>

On **Wednesday 8 November** we will be holding our first Wow Day of the year. The theme for the day is Aspirations and Careers. Further details will be available nearer the time. We would like primary pupils to dress in an outfit that represents their career aspiration. We feel that putting this notice in the newsletter early, it will help parents/careers to get prepared. There is no need to buy anything especially for this day, homemade outfits would be great.

Reminder about football kit needed for all students in years 7-11 who play football. Shin pads, long football long and football boots along with correct PE kit. This equipment helps to reduce injuries. Our PE kit uniform is available to view on the website and we have tried to keep School branding to a minimum. Parents can choose to purchase NON BRANDED plain black shorts/skorts and sweatshirts. SPORTS BRANDING is not permitted.

After school sport clubs have had to be adjusted slightly:

Monday- girls football- all years with CV

Tuesday- girls rugby all years with ZHJ

boys football all years with JPO

Wednesday- netball, boys and girls all years with ZHJ

Friday- boys rugby all years with JPO

Netball match for year 9 and 10 Tuesday 26th September away at Oswestry school. First of the season. Mrs Hamm-Jones wishes the girls well and looks forward to a new season.



A reminder that **library books borrowed before the summer need to be re-**

turned to school so if students can have a look at home, doesn't matter if they are late returning as we'd much rather have them back! Each year we lose £100's worth of books, we would rather spend the library budget buying more books than replacing ones that have not been returned.





DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 25 September—International day of languages bake off
- 28 September Open day and Evening
- 29 September—non uniform day in aid of brain tumour research £1donation “wear something pink” to show your support
- 29 September - MP Helen Morgan opens food technology room
- 3 –6 October—Malaga Trip
- 17 & 18 October—year 7 review days
- 24-26 October—harvest festivals primary (see separate note)
- 27 October - PD day and half term starts
- 6 November—school returns after half term



Harvest Festival dates :

Tuesday 24 October, 9.15 for 9.30am in the Arts Centre in School – KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

Wednesday 25 October 2pm at the St Martins Parish Church – KS2 (Years 3 – 6)

Thursday 26th October, 9.15 for 9.30am in the Arts Centre in School – Nursery and Reception

Don't forget the International Bake Off! (*Secondary phase*)

Bake something with a **worldwide** theme (e.g. use a foreign recipe, or decorate it with a flag) Hand in your bake on the morning of **Monday 25th September** to the MFL office (opposite French) before form time

Judging will be in MFL₁ (French) at break



Points will be awarded to your house
The cakes will then be sliced and sold for the house charities 50p or £1.00 a slice depending on sizes. You can collect anything left over to take home after school.

So, come enjoy our cake sale and raise money for great causes!

Please label anything containing nuts very clearly

