



# ST MARTINS SCHOOL

20 October 2023

It's always fantastic to meet ex students and this week was no exception. We welcomed Alumni Andy Evans who came into school to talk to students during assembly and at break time about his career. Andy was a student at the then Rhyn Park back in the 80's and went on to gain a Masters degree in engineering before embarking on a career in film. His independent film and TV production company "Mad as Birds", has been involved with projects featuring the talents of Gerard Butler, Judi Dench and Diane Keaton to name but a few...and almost forgot..."Welcome to Wrexham". He will be returning to school soon to talk to the Creative IMedia and Film studies students.



Thankyou to the parents and carers who logged in for the Year 6 on line forum about SATs arrangements; for those that couldn't make it or had connection issues the powerpoint can be found on the [website](#), and if you have any questions please contact Ms Pritchard. Primary extra curricular (afterschool) clubs will end on Thursday 26 October and will start again after February half term, when the weather and the dark nights start to improve.



Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) is a group of local police officers dedicated to serving the local community. Members of this team came into school this week to talk to students from year 9 about 'county lines'. If parents have any concerns or questions about this issue they can contact school or call 101. Massive well done to the 7 boys rugby team who, for their first ever match



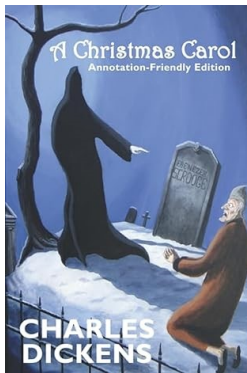
to beat the Marches School 30-25. Mr Powell said that their attitude and behaviour was amazing. Bertie scored the winning try and was voted player of the match. You are all a credit to our school and thankyou to all our students who represent our school in sports! Rugby training for the boys is on Fridays and the girls training is on Tuesdays.

Next Friday 27 October is a PD day, school will be closed as staff will be travelling to a 318 Trust development day in Telford

Have a lovely weekend, Ms Lovecy



CHANGE TO THE DINER MENU FOR THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER—will be swapped with the Friday (fish and chip day) menu because of the PD day. More detailed menus can be found on [the website](#).



After half term, all year 10 students will read 'A Christmas Carol' as part of their English Literature GCSE. We ask that they all have their own copies of the texts so that they can make their own annotations; we find that this aids their revision and helps them to develop their independence.

Here is the link to the one we recommend: [BOOK LINK](#)

Fantastic turn out for Knitting/Crochet club this week with an amazing 28 participants. We have been crocheting poppies for armistice day which will be available to buy from reception. If any one has spare red wool and crochet needles they could donate that would be fabulous ! Ms Peterson



## Half term challenge: Spookiest pumpkin competition

Take a picture of your pumpkin that's been carved with the spookiest design you can manage!

Send your picture to your head of house via Teams or Email

Keep an eye  on the newsletter and facebook page to see if your design is featured

**SPOOKTACULAR DISCO**

**THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER**

DOORS OPEN AT 5PM   £3 ENTRY   PAY ON PARENT PAY

HOT DOG, ICE LOLLY AND A DRINK PROVIDED.  
PLEASE LET US KNOW ABOUT ANY ALLERGENS IN ADVANCE

WEAR YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUMES  
(JUST MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE AGE APPROPRIATE FOR WEARING IN SCHOOL)

**YEARS 5, 6 & 7**

The Year 7/8 netball team won 3-2 against Thomas Adams in their away match on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Year 8 netball team lost 18-9 but they did win their second quarter and drew in the third. All players were commended by the Thomas Adams umpire. They represented the school exceptionally well! Mrs Hamm-Jones.

A GLAMOROUS EVENING OF ALL THINGS PROM.

**RUNWAY318**

THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

DOORS 6PM · TICKETS ADULT £7 STUDENT £6

REFRESHMENTS · LOCAL BUSINESSES · RAFFLES

Logos for StM, 318, FASHION TAKES ACTION, and FIA.

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.

Tickets available from <https://runway318.eventbrite.com> Miss Fiddy will be running a 'design an prom outfit' competition. Students can design any style of prom outfit and then the winning designs will be painting on some flats (like at the seaside, with the head holes cut out) so that children can 'model the outfits. Entries to be in by **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October so children have this weekend!**





## Harvest Festivals

Tuesday 24 October, 9.15 for 9.30am in the Arts Centre in School – KS1 (Years 1 and 2). Parents/carers and family will be required to sign in and out on a sheet at the Reception.

Wednesday 25 October 2pm at the St Martins Parish Church – KS2 (Years 3 – 6). Pupils will walk to the church so please only send them to school with minimal bags as they will need to carry them to the church. Pupils can be collected from the church after the service. Classes will be released individually. Please let class teachers know if a different adult is collecting your child as we will be unable to let pupils go if we haven't been informed prior to the day. We will aim to finish at 3pm allowing time to get back to school for 3.25pm if you need to pick up KS1 siblings up. There will be no after school clubs for KS2 pupils that day. Extended School will run as usual and pupils can walk back to school with staff with the children who are being collected at 3.25pm.

Year 5 pupils would normally have PE on a Wednesday. Unfortunately, this won't happen due to the Harvest Festival. Please can you ensure that your son/daughter comes to school in their school uniform.

*If you do not wish your son/daughter to take part in the Harvest Festival and you would like them to remain in school, please inform your son/daughter's class teacher by email. Pupils will be supervised in school and will join one of our KS1 classes as all KS2 staff will be out of school.*

Thursday 26th October, 9.15 for 9.30am in the Arts Centre in School – Nursery and Reception Parents/Carers are invited to join us. Parents/carers and family will be required to sign in and out on a sheet at the Reception.

Nursery pupils who don't attend on Thursdays are welcome to attend the service. Pupils should come to school in their normal clothes and bring suitable clothes to change into for the Halloween Disco if they would like to.

We will be collecting tins and packaged produce for Cedar Close, St Martins (no fresh items please). Please can pupils bring these into school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and give them to class teachers. Some of our House Champions will deliver the items later in the week.

## Halloween Discos

These will take place on Thursday 26 October as follows:

Nursery and Reception classes – 2pm – 2.30pm. Pupils will need to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring clothes to change into towards the end of the day.

Years 1 and 2 classes – 2.30 – 3.25pm. Pupils will need to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring clothes to change into towards the end of the day.

Years 3 and 4 classes – 3.25 – 4.30pm. Pupils will need to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring clothes to change into towards the end of the day. Pupils will need to be collected from the main Reception area at 4.30pm. If your child will be attending After School Club, please let class teachers know.

The cost will be £1.00 per pupils and there will be a tuck shop selling crisps, bars of chocolate and drinks if pupils would like to bring some extra spending money. All proceeds will go towards our playground equipment fund.

Years 5,6 & 7 year groups – 5pm – 6.30pm. The cost will be £3.00 which includes a hot dog, an ice lolly and a drink. Money should be paid on Parent Pay. Pupils will need to be dropped off and collected from the main school Reception .

In aid of   children's hospices



**TIKTOK & YOUTUBE CHARITY MATCH**

OCTOBER 21ST, 19:30 KICK OFF  
PARK HALL STADIUM, OSWESTRY

JOIN US AT THE 3RD ANNUAL MATCH FOR MIND, RAISING FUNDS FOR HOPE HOUSE AND MIND UK. GET TO MEET YOUR FAVOURITE INFLUENCERS  
ANGRYGINGE, JAY, MICHAEL PORTER, THE COLES, BOOTLEGGER, PADDY MURPHY, CAL THE DRAGON, FG, MATTHDGAMER, GINTY AND MANY MORE

TICKETS



@MATCHFORMIND



**HALLOWEEN AND CRAFT EVENT**

Tuesday 31st October  
St Martins Village Hall, SY11 3AY  
10am til 2pm

- \* Crafts \* Colouring \*
- \* Activities \* Games \*

Entrance £1 per person  
Children's Meal Deal £2.50

Fancy dress optional

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 24-26 October—harvest festivals primary (see separate note)
- 26 October—Halloween Disco for EYFS and KS1/ 5 to year 7 (see poster)
- 27 October - PD day and half term starts
- 6 November—school returns after half term
- 8 November—Wow Day 1 (careers & aspirations) (primary to come dressed in an outfit that represents their careers aspiration)
- 9 November—year 11 review day
- 16 November— French trip parent meeting 6pm please bring passports and GHIC/ EHIC cards
- 17 November—Careers Fair
- 17 November - Children in Need—wear something spotty non uniform PRIMARY ONLY . £1 suggested donation and whole school cake sale
- 23 November—Fashion Show see poster
- 30 November—year 9 parents evening
- 1 December—year 11 taster day at either NSC, Marches 6th form or Thomas Adams sixth form (letter to follow)
- 5-8 December —French trip
- 8 December—Christmas jumper day
- 12—15 December Christmas performances more details to follow
- 12 December—whole school Christmas Lunch



### Careers at St Martins School

Please find below an invite to Year 10/ 11 students and parents to attend RAF World event on Wed 29 Nov at 1910 hrs. THIS IS AN ON LINE INFORMATION SESSION . The event, which is free, provides attendees with a chance to explore 3 different operational zones from around the globe and delve into the roles on offer within the RAF.

This is followed by interviews with real-life RAF personnel and chat rooms where you can talk to our friendly recruit and engagement staffs who will be ready to answer any of your questions no matter how big or small.

[RAF World Tickets, Wed 29 Nov 2023 at 19:30 | Eventbrite](#)