

10 November 2023



Wow! Its has been an exceptional week in school. We invited award winners from last year's year 11 to a presentation evening. It was an opportunity to celebrate success and achievement not only in academic endeavours but contribution to school life and our wider community. A full list of award winners is in this newsletter and I extend a warm invitation for all our year 11 leavers to keep in touch and let us know about the great things they go on to do!

We had a first WOW day of the year on Wednesday with a focus on careers

and aspiration, more photos in next weeks newsletter but here are just a few!

Year 9 had a languages day with a Paella masterclass. Year 10 took part in mock interviews and had a go at some 'assessment day' activities that they could face in the future. Thankyou to volunteers from the Rotary Club who spent the morning in school conducting the interviews. Year 11 visited Wrexham University.





In primary students were invited to come dressed in the occupation they may want to pursue in the future. Here's year 3, 4 and 5 with doctors, gymnasts, army cadets, vets, scientists, police officers, wrestlers and footballers!

Children in Need takes place on 17 November . PRIMARY students are invited to wear something spotty/yellow/non uniform. There will be a £1 suggested donation added to parentpay and a whole school cake sale.

The Diner has updated the details of their meal deals and what's included, its on the website and can be viewed <u>here</u> along with the daily menus.

On FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER we have our careers fair, and are delighted to have some amazing companies and organisations giving up their time to speak to our students. It does mean there will be very limited parking available in the morning.

Have a lovely weekend, Ms Lovecy



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Home Learning (formerly referred to as homework) at St Martins School.

We want home learning to be a positive experience that challenges students.

We will have two styles of home learning. One will be set directly from the class teacher and is planned to carefully mirror the learning which is taking place in school. The other is **CID projects - Create, Investigate, Develop projects** which are set for everyone so that they can showcase their strengths and improve their knowledge and skills.

This work is **not compulsory** but gives students a chance to show everyone how well you can do. Students may choose as many to do as they like and they can submit their work in a wide variety of ways. Each CID project will be set as an assignment via Arbor and has a guide sheet to outline ways in which the students can tackle the project, they can always ask for advice from their teachers and some staff may also share helpful tips and hints on their Teams page. These guide sheets are accessed via the Arbor Parent App under assignments and students can also access them by using their log in to the student Arbor portal on any web browser. (if you need help logging in to either of these please email reception)

Student will be awarded certificates and house points if they complete multiple CID projects during the course of the school year. Look at the fantastic year 7 art CID projects that have been completed by **Montgomery Kynaston and Scarlett Peterson** ! We are planning a CID after school club where resources will be available for students to complete some CID projects.

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Well done to every-		Netball
one who took part in	Yr 9	
the PE WOW day inter house competi-	1 st	IFTON
tion—the scores on the doors are im-	2 nd	RHYN
pressive!!!	3 rd	HEATH
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are top of the leader	Yr 7	
board !!!	1 st	RHYN
	and	

		Nelball	FOOLDAII	
	Yr 9			
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	2 nd	RHYN 12 Hps	Ifton 13 Hps (4 goals)	
	3 rd	HEATH 9 Hps	Heath 9 Hps	
	4 th	MOORS 6 Hps	Rhyn 6 Hps	
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	2 nd	HEATH 14 Hps	Heath 12 Hps	
	3 rd	IFTON 14 Hps	Moors 9 Hps	
	4 th	MOORS 14 Hps	Rhyn 6 Hps	





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Achievement Evening 2023

The Rhyn Park Dance Award	Dance	Chloe Glover
Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt	Creative iMedia	Sonny Lewis
The HSBC Art Award	Art and Design	Caitlin Lloyd
The Ifton Drama Award	Drama	Amy Elliott
The Juliet Woollam Music Award	Music	Holly Stant
The Science Award	Science	Corey James
The Gwynfor Williams Award	Design Technology (Food)	Emma Williams
The Heather Bowyer Award	Independent Learning & Resilience	Mhairi McKay
The Sports Trophy	For outstanding commit- ment and achievement.	Corey James
The Kronospan Award	Geography	Tiana Windsor
The Weston Rhyn Parish Council Award	History	Evan Peters
The Brian Case Trophy	French	Mostafa Elsergany
The Longeville Gittens Award	Spanish	Josh Greene
The Barclays Bank Award	Maths	Charlie Allum
The Paddy Hughes Award	English	Tiana Windsor
Diamond of the Year Award	Perseverance	Declan Williams
The Mary Lay Award	The Greatest Progress in Core Subjects	Morgan Culliss
The St Martins Parish Council Award	Greatest progress during time in school	Finlay Turner
The Everest Trophy	Greatest overall contribu- tion to school life	Cam Warne
The Ridgway Community Ambassador Award	Contribution to the Com- munity	Ethan Burd
Janet Warwick Award	Best external exam results	Amy Elliott
The Lord Robens Trophy	Best external exam results	Caitlyn Lloyd

On Monday 13 November it is World Kindness Day. This is a global observance dedicated to promoting and celebrating acts of kindness. It serves as a reminder of the positive Impact that kindness can have on individuals, communities, and the world at large.

During the day, students in year R—6 will learn about positivity, kindness and well being.

On Wednesday 15 November, leaders from St Martins Girl Guides will be in school from 3.25 – 4.15pm to offer girls ages 10 – 13 a taster session. Letters have gone out to any girls who have expressed an interest. For further information, email Mrs C Jones <u>car-</u> ol.jones@stm.318educatio n.co.uk

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As you are aware, Mr M Edwards will be beginning his through-school teaching role soon. We recently appointed Ms Rachel Chestnutt to teach our Year 3 class when Mr Edwards is teaching in the secondary phase. Ms Chestnutt will start on <u>Monday 20th</u> <u>November</u> and will be spending some time in school next week to get to know the children and meet parents/carers at the start and end of the day. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Jones <u>carol.jones@stm.318education.co.uk</u>

Thank you for all the harvest donations. A group of pupils visited Cedar Close in St Martins to give them out to the residents who were very appreciative. Pupils are planning a return visit at Christmas to play Bingo.



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

16 November— French trip parent meeting 6pm please bring passports and GHIC/EHIC cards

17 November—Careers Fair for years 9-11

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

5-8 December — French trip

7 December—year 4 trip to Chirk Castle

8 December—Christmas jumper day

12—15 December Christmas performances more details to follow

12 December—whole school Christmas Lunch

18 December—staff panto performance to students

19 December—last day, normal finish time , no after school club

3 January—PD day

4 January-students return to school

Year 11 Prom 2024 Deposit and consent forms need to be returned by 30 November so we can check if its viable.

Runway 318 takes place on 23 November Tickets available from <u>https://runway318.eventbrite.com</u>

There are some amazing dresses!!

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Here is Ellis Peters completing a practical Physics lesson about Ohm's law.

Ellis is working with our learning mentor Mr Davies on house wiring task.

Ohm's Law is a formula used to calculate the relationship between voltage, current and resistance in



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