



# ST MARTINS SCHOOL

8 December 2023

As part of our comprehensive careers programme we hosted an assembly talk from SP Energy Networks who take electricity generated from wind farms, power stations and renewable energy sources, reduce it to the low voltage needed for homes and businesses and transport it through a vast electricity network. They came to talk to year 8 about employment and training

routes with the company , including apprenticeships post 16 and after A levels. There is a gap in applications from this area so if you are interested take a look at their [website](#)



Demonstrating some of the kit the engineers wear “out in the field” are Jac Woolam and Noah Jones who were surprised at all the safety equipment that was needed.

**Congratulations to Harry Goulbourn from**

**Year 3 who has been awarded the Headteacher Award this week. He was nominated for working very hard and being enthusiastic about lessons and school. What a great photo of Harry with the trophy and his certificate!**



**Year 5 will be holding a Christmas Sale on Wednesday 13 December. If you have any unwanted toys, games, Christmas decorations, toiletries sets that you would like to donate, please send them in with your child and they will be collected from classrooms. The sale will be open for pupils to buy during the day and then open later to parents/carers from 2.45pm until 3.45pm or whilst stocks last!**

Due to staff absence we are postponing our whole school Christmas show next week—don't worry we will re-schedule in January which will be a perfect time for a post Christmas “pick me up” !

But you can still catch our lovely school choir when they perform at the Ellesmere Road Methodist Chapel on Thursday at 1.30am.

Have a lovely weekend Ms Lovecy

## Christmas Coffee Morning

Ellesmere Road Methodist Chapel  
Thursday 14th December 10.30-11.30

Coffee ★ Chat ★ Cake & Mince Pies

Carols from St Martins School Choir





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## SPORTING UPDATE

All year 7, 8 and 9 will be completing their swimming PE unit after Christmas and up to the Easter holidays. Students will have one swim and one dry PE lesson per week. We have told your child when their swimming lesson is and these lessons will begin straight away after Christmas. Please ensure they have the following equipment:

- Appropriate swim wear- a swimming costume or swim shorts (no bikinis) Students can wear t-shirts if they wish (any colour)
- A towel & Swimming hat and goggles

**Christmas LUNCH**

**TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER**

**Turkey/Gammon Christmas Lunch**  
Roast Turkey or Gammon with Sticky Chipolata, Roasties, Christmas Vegetable Medley & Gravy  
or  
**Roasted Vegetable, Cranberry & Cheese Puff Pastry**  
with Roasties, Christmas Vegetable Medley & Gravy

**Cheshire Xmas Ice-Cream tub**  
or  
**White Chocolate Snowball Cookie**

**Primary £3.25 Secondary £3.50**

**FOOD FESTIVAL**  
By Aspens

**Whole school Christmas lunch is on Tuesday 12 December.**

**No need to book; for primary there will be no other food available. For secondary the break offering will be as usual and at lunch the hot option will be Christmas lunch or sandwiches/baguettes.**

This has been added to parent pay as a one off payment (UFMS/FMS will not be affected).

Please can all ParentPay debts be cleared before the end of term. Thank you

[Feed your family for a £5 recipe card](#)

The New Saints FC Foundation will again be offering free Holiday Activities and Food in St Martins as part of the DfE HAF programme over the Winter holidays. The activities will take place between 10.30am and 2.30pm at St Martins Centre on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Book as soon as possible via this link : <https://www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation/holiday-activities>

Children are also able to attend any of the other HAF sessions which we are offering over the Winter holidays. As part of our Rural Village HAF programme we will also be in the following locations:

Whittington - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December - 12.30pm to 4.30pm

Weston Rhyn - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January - 1pm to 5pm

Gobowen - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - 1pm to 5pm

**VILLAGE WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME**  
AN EXCITING AND ENGAGING PROGRAMME OF FREE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGED 4 - 12 YEARS

**Free food and beverages provided for all participants**

**Lots of games and activities for children of all abilities**

Children and young people are invited to join us to take part in lots of fun activities, sports and games, all supervised by fully qualified and DBS checked sports activity coaches and youth workers.

Limited places available. Registration essential. If your child would like to play football, please ensure they bring boots and shinpads (Gobowen and St Martins only).

The activities will be held on the following dates:

Wed 20th Dec	St Martins Centre	10.30am - 2.30pm
Thur 21st Dec	Whittington Senior Citizens Hall	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Tue 2nd Jan	Weston Rhyn Institute	1pm - 5pm
Wed 3rd Jan	Gobowen Pavilion & Playing Fields	1pm - 5pm

**To book your place, visit:**  
[www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation/holiday-activities](https://www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation/holiday-activities)

**FREE ENTRY**

To find out more about the Foundation, visit [www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation](https://www.tnsfc.co.uk/foundation) or contact us at 01691 889791 or [info@tnsfcfoundation.org.uk](mailto:info@tnsfcfoundation.org.uk).

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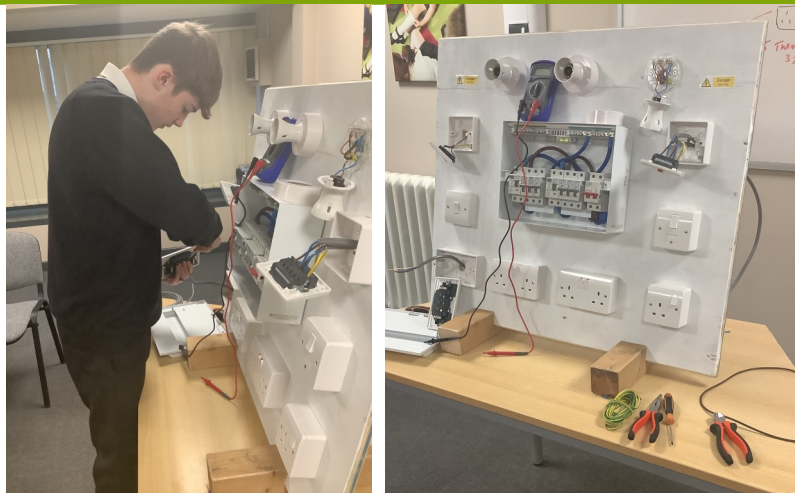


## DATES FOR THE DIARY

12 December—whole school Christmas Lunch

19 December—last day, normal finish time, no after school club—Fish & Chip lunch

3 January—PD day & 4 January—students return to school



Ellis Peters is doing a fantastic job finalising his home electrics board with the tuition and support from our Learning Mentor Tim Davies

**New 2 you  
Baby and Childrens  
Preloved Christmas Event  
December 16th 2pm-3:30pm  
St martins school- sports hall**

**Preloved + Christmas stalls available**

St martins school-  
sports hall/centre  
Oswestry  
Shropshire  
SY10 7BD

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New & used  
baby & childrens items  
(pre-loved event)

With added Festive/ craft stalls

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£2.00 entry - childrens FREE

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Preloved + Christmas festive pitches available

Preloved £15.00 fee/business £25.00 fee

please email-new2you.events@gmail.com

contact our social media platforms



## Christmas at St Martins School

Nursery and Reception Classes—Friday 15 December in the Arts Centre (please sign in at our main Reception area). Doors open 9.15am for a 9.30am start.

KS1 (Year 1 and 2) - Thursday 14 December in the Arts Centre (please sign in at our main Reception area). Doors open 9.15am for a 9.30am start.

KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6) Please note there will be two performances, one for Years 3 and 4 parents/carers and one for Years 5 and 6 parents and carers.

The performance for Year 3 and 4 parents/carers and parents/carers who have children in 3/4 and 5/6 will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December in the Arts Centre. Please sign in at our main Reception area). Doors open 9.15am for 9.30 start.

The performance for Year 5 and 6 parents/carers will take place on Friday 15 December in the Arts Centre. Please sign in at our main Reception area. Doors open 2.15pm for a 2.30pm start.

Tickets for each performance will be issued nearer the time. There will be an allocation of 2 tickets per child. If you have children in Years 3/4 and year 5/6, you will be allocated tickets for the Year 3 and 4 performance as there are less children in these classes.

A Carol Service for **KS2 pupils and staff** will take place at St Martins Parish Church on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If you **do not** wish for your child to take part in this, please email or speak to your child's class teacher. Your child will then remain in school with our KS1 children and staff.