

Newsletter



St Martin's CE Primary School Issue 13: 15th December 2023

Class	Attendance %
	% Up on last week % Down on last week
Ash	95%
Beech	98.2%
Birch	88.8%
Chestnut	95.2%
Elm	92.6%
Holly	87.6%
Maple	96%
Oak	89.4%
Olive	92.1%
Palm	87.2%
Pine	93.1%
Rowan	96%
Sycamore	85.2%
Willow	90.5%

Good Samaritan Award



Good Samaritan Project

This week's winner of the Good Samaritan Award is for all the children in Reception for showing such compassion at their visit to Franklin House.

Dear Parents and Carers:

The school is feeling very festive as we start the last week of the Autumn term. It will be great to celebrate the upcoming holidays as you come into school to see your children in the various performances.

The reindeer rave was a great success, all the children seemed to have a fantastic time and our visit from Santa was a exciting surprise.

I'd like to wish all our families at St Martin's a very healthy and happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Mrs Coates

If you have any safeguarding concerns please ask to speak to one of the following adults: Miss Hodis (EYFS & Year 1 Lead), Miss Attwood (Year 2 and 3 Lead), Miss Mohammadi (Year 4,5 and 6 Lead), Mrs Coates (Headteacher), Mr Rowden (Deputy Headteacher)

Our school values:

During the week all the staff will be looking out for exceptional examples of when children are showing these values and they may be awarded a certificate in Friday's assembly.

What value did you show this week to your friends? Which value do you think you will be able to show next week?



Click on the link for the latest updates at St. Martin's Church

<http://www.stmartinwestdrayton.org.uk>

To enable spiritual growth and show the love of God to everyone.

CLASS CHARTS

It's great to now have class charts up and running both in the classroom and for you at home - please ensure if you are not yet signed up that you do so as this is another way teachers can communicate messages with you. However, please bear with us, it is new to the school and staff so there are a few inconsistencies which we are ironing out. If you do have any concerns about the points the children are receiving, please highlight that so we can look into it for you.

AKTIVA

Aktiva after school club will not be operating on Thursday 21st December due to the school's early finish. The last after school club session will be on Wednesday 20th December. If you require any further information please contact Aktiva directly at bookings@aktivacamps.com

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUB

The clubs will not run during the final week of school (WC 18.12.23). New club lists will be sent out in January.

REINDEER RAVE

Preparations are well underway for tonight's disco. We've heard a rumour there may even be a special guest!!

LOST PROPERTY

This is currently overflowing. If your child is missing any item please pop into the office. Any items not collected by the end of term will be disposed of.

RECEPTION CRAFT AND CHRISTMAS SONGS AFTERNOON

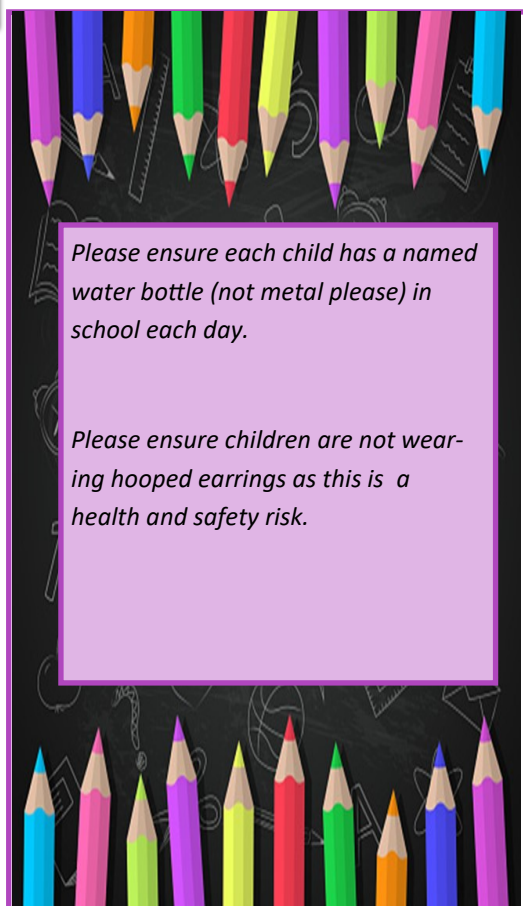
"We had a brilliant turn out of parents for the craft afternoon. The children loved crafting with their parents and we hope you all enjoyed the story and songs at the end. We would like to wish our Reception parents a very merry Christmas and thank you for all of your support".



Miss Hodis, Mrs Keen & Miss Parker



Other news



Stand Out Learners & Value Award

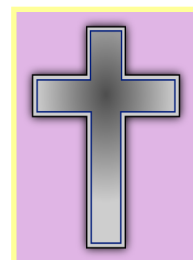
Class	'Stand Out Learner'	Value Award
Ash	Evren	Ayana
Beech	Mateus	Francesca
Birch	Isra	Andrew
Chestnut	Vilte	Jessica
Elm	Archie	Breda
Holly	Ali	Harlie-Jai
Maple	Whole class	Eshmun
Oak		
Olive	Isla	Marcel
Palm		
Pine	Aarav	Rudy
Rowan		Alianza
Sycamore	Xander	Tanish
Willow	Rowan	Maddie

Dates for the Diary:

Whole School Events

Monday 18th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity—2.15pm
Tuesday 19th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity—9.30am
Tuesday 19th December	KS2 Christmas concert 2.00pm—details to follow
Wednesday 20th December	KS2 Christmas concert 9.30am
Wednesday 20th December	St Martins Choir visit to Care home
Thursday 21st December	Term ends at 2pm—Aktiva will not be offering after school club on this day
Monday 8th January	Term starts

The Senior Leadership Team is made up of: Mrs Coates, Headteacher ; Mr Rowden, Deputy Headteacher; Miss Higgins, Assistant Head & SENDCo; Miss Mohammadi, Year 4, 5 and 6 Leader; Miss Attwood, Assistant Head, Year 2 and 3 Leader & Miss Hodis, Early Years and Year 1 Leader. If you need to raise a concern, please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. If you feel that





Congratulation's to Beech class who were the last weeks class
attendance winners with 98.2% - Well Done!

Who will be next???

Reception care home visit



The children had a great time singing their Christmas songs to the residents at the care home. The children enjoyed talking to the residents and dancing to some Christmas music. We are very proud of them, they represented St Martin's beautifully.






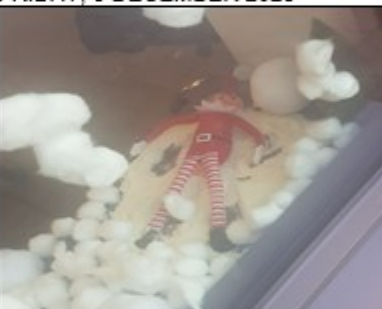

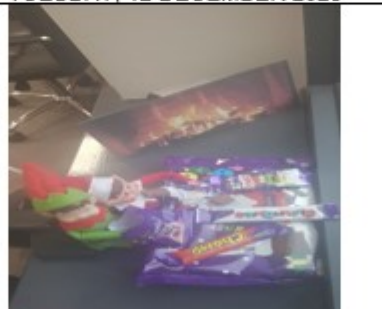



LOOK WHO'S ARRIVED AT ST MARTIN'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL!!

ELF HAS BEEN BUSY AT THE SCHOOL

YOU CAN SEE HIM BY THE WINDOW AT THE MAIN RECEPTION ENTRANCE



COME AND HAVE A LOOK DAILY TO SEE WHAT HE'S BEEN UP TO

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 2023	MONDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2023	TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2023
		
WEDNESDAY, 6 DECEMBER 2023	THURSDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2023	FRIDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2023
		
MONDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2023	TUESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2023	WEDNESDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2023
		
THURSDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2023	FRIDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2023	MONDAY, 18 DECEMBER 2023
		

St Martin's Kindness Calendar

December Kindness 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	 5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	 6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	 7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others	2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment
11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	13 See how many different people you can smile at today	14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one	15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day	16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you
18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving	19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated	20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need	21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you	22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh
 25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy	29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why	31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2024

The school council produced a kindness calendar and distributed a copy to each classroom this week. Each day they will read the message and have an opportunity to discuss how they may have completed the action at the end of each day.



What is DLD?

Developmental Language Disorder is a persistent language difficulty that can't be explained by another condition. It is lifelong and approximately two children in every classroom are impacted by it. It affects all languages, and is not caused by being speaking more than one language.

The Hillingdon Talks, Moves, Plays website has further information and training presentations on DLD for school staff and parents:





Speech and Language Therapy Parent Workshops

Free, online workshops for all Hillingdon families

No pre-booking needed, just use this Zoom link on the date and time of the workshop you would like to attend: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82900831154?pwd=MEZkTUhBZzl4SXdoVGpQOEZLU3V2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 829 0083 1154

Passcode: 668955

Emotional Regulation

Monday 20th November
13:30 – 14:30

Find out more about emotional regulation and how you can support your child to learn strategies to support themselves.

Neurodiversity

Tuesday 21st November
13:30 – 14:30

Learn more about neurodiversity and how you can support neurological differences.

Stammering

Wednesday 22nd November
13:30 – 14:30

Find out more about stammering in children and some useful activities to do at home.

Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)

Thursday 23rd November
13:30 – 14:30

Learn what DLD is and strategies to help support your child at home.

Please visit the **Children's Integrated Therapy Service** website www.cnwl.nhs.uk/children-integrated-therapy-service for information about the service. This includes strategies and resources for parents and professionals as well as links to other useful websites.



Skip your ride, take a Stride

ST MARTIN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL WALK ZONE MAP

Let's make walking part
of your daily routine!

Key:

- 5 minute walking zone
- 10 minute walking zone
- Bus stop
- Zebra crossing
- Pedestrian crossing
- School entrance
- Library



If you need to
drive - don't idle!
It's a waste of
money and pollutes
the air that we
breathe!

Did you know?

Pollution levels are higher
inside the car than outside.

Can't walk
the whole way?
Try to park in the
blue zone where
permitted and
walk the rest
of the trip.



Attendance Matters

0 DAYS OFF 190 DAYS ATTENDED	100%	★ PERFECTION ★ "EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT"
4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	98%	IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	96%	NEARLY THERE
9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	95%	CAN BE IMPROVED "INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF BETTER GRADES"
11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE
20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	90%	SERIOUS CONCERNS "CLASSSED AS A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE" referred to Education Welfare Service
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85%	RISK OF PROSECUTION <i>"can be damaging to a student's social, emotional and mental wellbeing"</i>
38 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	80%	

Every Day Counts

Childhood Asthma


FREE Online Workshops

SCAN ME



**CONTACT THE TEAM FOR MORE
INFORMATION**

 **01895 543 437**

 **nhsnwl.myhealth@nhs.net**



What's Included In The Workshop ?

**What to do if your
child is having an
Asthma attack**

**Inhaler
Techniques**

**Myth
Busting**

**Common
Triggers**

**Asthma
Plans**

Q&A

SESSION PRESENTED BY A HILLINGDON ASTHMA NURSE