



St Martin's CE Newsletter

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Matthew 5:16

Message from the Head:

Welcome Back!

I hope you all enjoyed a restful and refreshing break. It's wonderful to see our school community back together, ready for an exciting term ahead. The coming weeks will be filled with opportunities for learning, creativity, and growth, and I encourage everyone to approach them with enthusiasm and curiosity.

As we settle back into routines, let's remember the importance of kindness, respect, and teamwork—values that make our school such a special place. Please keep an eye on upcoming dates and events in this newsletter, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Here's to a fantastic start to the new half-term!

Class	Attendance
NBM am	62.5%
NBM pm	75%
NBM All Day	92.1%
RAM	91.3%
1LH	94.9%
2EH	94.4%
3DJ	90.6%
4ZT	87.5%
5SD	98.8%
SHJ	93.4%
6CB	91.9%
6SW	89.7%
Whole School	92.67%

Inspired by Martin of Tours, our Christian school warmly embraces all. We see our children as courageous advocates, shaping communities now and for the future. Guided by compassion, trust, prayer and a spirit of generosity, our children flourish and shine as beacons of light, making a positive impact on society.



School Notices:

We've got an exciting way for you to support St Martin's and it won't cost you a single penny extra!

Here's how it works: Every time you shop online whether it's for groceries, gifts, clothes, or even booking a holiday 8,000+ retailers like Tesco, M&S, John Lewis, eBay, Argos, ASOS, Booking.com and many more will donate to us for FREE through easyfundraising! Yep, you heard that right raise money just by shopping like usual!

For the month of October, for everyone who joins via the easyfundraising App, we'll get a £2 bonus for each new supporter! Plus, when more than 10 sign up, we'll unlock more bonus funding! It's quick, it's easy, and it's FREE get the App now at and choose to support St Martin's CE Primary West Drayton once installed <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/> Thanks for your continued support.



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These children have all been awarded for showing the school values or 'Shining Brightly' this week—how can you show the school values and let your light shine?

Class	Beacon of the Week	Value Award for the week
1LH	Aariv	Sarah
2EH	Daniel	Eden
3DJ	Lily	Joseph
4ZT	Evren	Myra
5SD	Rory	Oscar
5HJ	Abigail	Daisy
6CB	Eri	Mia
6SW	Alianza	Whole Class

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'

Question for thought:

If you are not a good friend, do you have any friends?

As a family, you can discuss the above question...what do you think?

If you have any safeguarding concerns please ask to speak to one of the following adults: Mr Rowden (Deputy Head, Designated Safeguarding lead), Mrs Coates (Headteacher), Miss Baxter (KS2 Lead) or Miss Higgins (Assistant Headteacher, SENDCo).

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Dear Parents and Carers,

During this damp, grey week, the school have all been working and trying their hardest.

Lighthouse have been using hues of paint to make pictures of fireworks and have used glitter to make them sparkle.

Reception and nursery have been learning how to contact the fire brigade and what to do with a fire.

Year 1 has learnt about the fallen soldiers in WW1 and WW2 for Remembrance Day coming up soon.

Year 2 have been outside to explore living and non-living things in Science.

Year 3 has been reading the world's famous Roald Dahl book, The BFG.

Year 4 have been practicing their addition and subtraction.

Year 5 have been learning how to make bridges structurally integral.

Year 6 went to church to learn more about Remembrance Day. We learnt that even animals were helpful in the war effort.

We hope next week the weather will give us a little bit of sunshine!

By Oliver and Lyla-Mai

Green House Captains

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 "CLASSED AS A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE" referred to Education Welfare Service
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85%	RISK OF PROSECUTION "can be damaging to a student's social, emotional and mental wellbeing"
38 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	80%	

Diary Dates	
10.11	'Odd Socks' Day
19.11	Early Years Open Day 10:00 & 16:00
25.11	EMHP Parent Drop in
28.11	Christmas Movie Night
04.12	Early Years Open Day: 10:00 & 16:00
10.12	Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner
12.12	Christmas Activities
w/b 15.12	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performances
19.12	End of Term—School closes @ 14:00



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Remembrance:

On Tuesday 11th November we will be holding a Remembrance event:

Children will congregate at approximately 10:50 in the MUGA to begin our observance.

Some children in Year 6 will be reading poems and prayers of Remembrance and a member of SLT will do a reading.

There will also be a member of a band playing 'The Last Post'.

Parents are invited to this event: the entrance to the site will be through the back entrance—this will be being guided by St. Martin's staff—please follow the instructions of the staff do not enter Laurel Lane School grounds.

We anticipate the event to finish at around 11:10, where you will be able to leave through the back gate again.

In Flanders Fields

by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



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PARENT EVENT

We're planning a new-style parent event for early 2026 and would love your input! Your feedback will help us create a more focused, accessible, and engaging experience, with themed sessions, Q&A opportunities, and practical information on SEND, education, social care, and more. Thank you for taking a few minutes to share your views.

Parent Conference



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School Friend Club @ St. Martin's

Promo code: AutumnMember2025

Valid July 30th 2025—October 24th 2025

Annual Family Registration Fee: £25.00

Session times/rates: 15:15—18:00

£12.25 per day, siblings £11.75 (snacks included)

- Convenient booking online or over the phone
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