

St Martin's CE Newsletter

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Matthew 5:16

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we were delighted to celebrate World Book Day, and it was wonderful to see the excitement, imagination and creativity shining across the school. From the brilliant costumes to the shared stories and class activities, the day reminded us how powerful reading can be in bringing children together and opening up new worlds.

At St Martin's, we place reading at the heart of our curriculum because it is one of the most important skills a child will ever learn. Reading builds vocabulary, develops empathy, strengthens writing, and supports understanding across every subject. Most importantly, it helps children grow into confident, curious learners who enjoy exploring new ideas.

Thank you to our staff for planning such engaging activities, and to families for supporting the day with enthusiasm at home. We encourage all parents to continue enjoying books together—whether through bedtime stories, sharing a favourite book from your childhood, or visiting the local library.

Class	Attendance
NBM am	
NBM pm	
NBM All Day	
RAM	
1LH	
2EH	
3DJ	
4ZT	
5SD	
SHJ	
6CB	
6SW	
Whole School	

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
Nursery	Amirah	Liam
Reception	Tia—Rose	John
1LH	Freya	Rashmika
2EH	Eden	Leon
3DJ	Safaa	Rayan
4ZT	Saranya	Whole Class
5HJ	Ronnie	Shane
5SD	Anya	Whole Class
6CB	Anett	Wilson
6SW	Ayaan	Isra

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

[St Martin's Church News](#)

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

Question for thought:

What makes you say "wow" and why is it special to you?

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,

We had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day this week, and the school was filled with excitement and creativity from start to finish. Children and staff joined in brilliantly, and the whole day showcased just how much our community values reading.

Across the school, pupils took part in live lessons focused on storytelling, author study and reading for pleasure. It was wonderful to see classes sharing books together, exploring new stories, and discussing their favourite characters. These moments really highlighted the joy and connection that reading brings.

A special thank you to everyone for the wonderful costumes—the effort and imagination on display were outstanding. From classic book characters to modern favourites, the children brought the world of literature to life in such a vibrant way.

World Book Day is a perfect reminder of how important reading is in developing vocabulary, imagination and confidence. We hope the enthusiasm seen this week continues at home, with children enjoying books, stories and shared reading with family.

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	
11.03.26	Coffee Morning
13.03.26	Science Day - Dress— up as your aspira-
13.03.26	Mother's Day Breakfast
25.03.26	Easter Performance—Yr. 3 & 4
27.03.26	End of Term—school closes at 14:00
13.04.26	Summer Term begins
04.05.26	May Day Bank Holiday—School closed
11.05.26	SATs Week for Year 6
22.05.26	School closes for half term

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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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EVENING DEVELOPMENT COURSE AT **SWAKELEYS SCHOOL UXBRIDGE**



VENUE: Clifton Gardens, UB10 0EJ

WHEN: EVERY THURSDAY (EXL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)

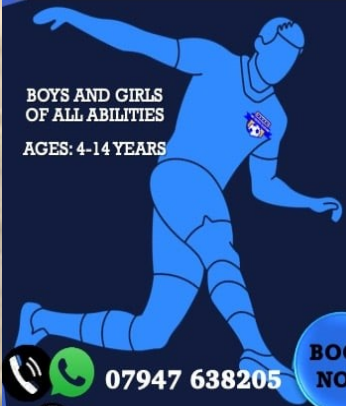
REC-YEAR 1 : 6pm-7pm YEAR 2-YEAR 3 : 6pm-7pm
YEAR 4-YEAR 5: 7pm-8pm YEAR 6-YEAR 7: 7pm-8pm

MEMBERSHIP PRICES

EVERY 4 WEEKS: £36

(£9 PER SESSION*)

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WHEN: EVERY MONDAY (EXL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)

REC-YEAR 1 : 6pm-7pm YEAR 2-YEAR 3 : 6pm-7pm
YEAR 4-YEAR 5: 7pm-8pm YEAR 6-YEAR 7: 7pm-8pm

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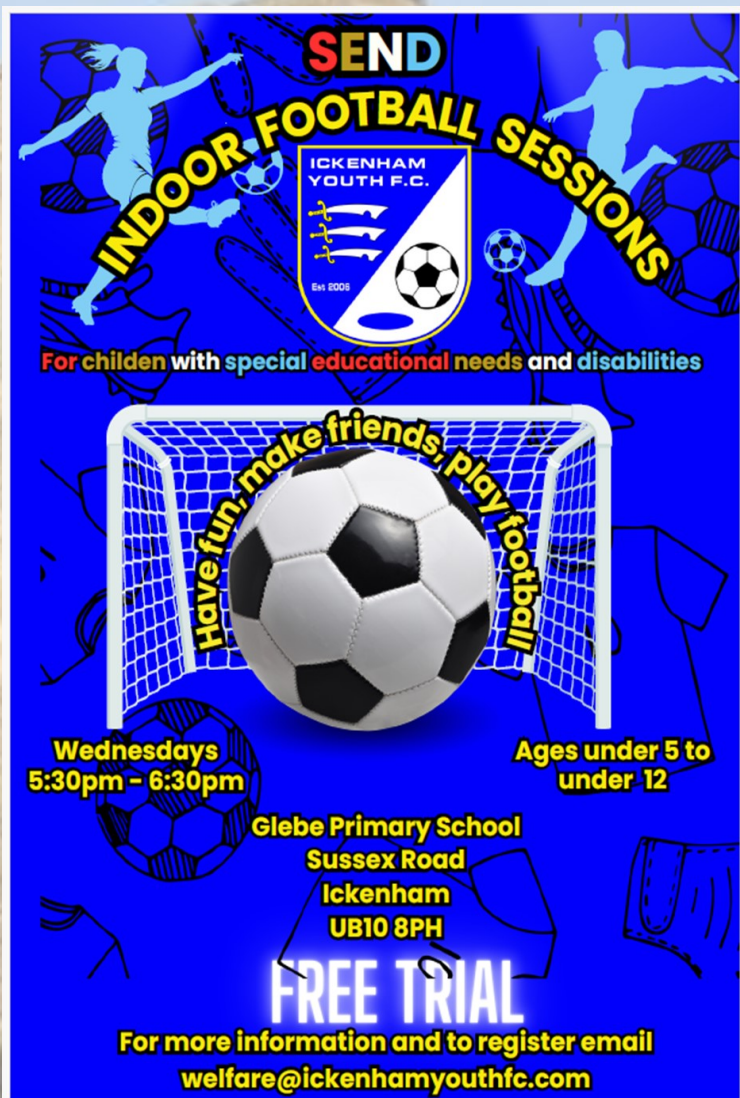
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SCAN TO BOOK



SATURDAYS | 10AM - 11AM

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WINTER @ GOALS RUISLIP

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES OR TO REQUEST A FREE TRIAL EMAIL
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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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