

St Martin's CE Newsletter

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Matthew 5:16

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Dear Students, Parents, and Staff,

This week, I have been incredibly proud of the effort, determination and positive attitudes shown by all of our children. Across the school, pupils have worked exceptionally hard in lessons, demonstrating resilience, focus and a real commitment to their learning.

It has been wonderful to see children rising to our high expectations and taking pride in everything they do. From the quality of work in books to their presentation, behaviour and engagement in lessons, many pupils are showing the habits needed to achieve their very best. Staff have noticed children challenging themselves, listening carefully and responding positively to feedback, all of which are helping them make excellent progress.

As we continue through the term, we will keep supporting every child to aim high and reach their full potential. Thank you to families for your ongoing support, which plays such an important role in our children's success. Together, we are building a culture of ambition, achievement and pride in all that we do.

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.

Class	Attendance
NBM am	100%
NBM pm	43.9%
NBM All Day	94.4%
RHB	92.9%
1EH	92.5%
2ZN	91.7%
3DJ	91.9%
4SD	90.8%
5LA	89.5%
6LH	94.5%
6DG	95.6%
Whole School	91.9%



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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Hillingdon secondary schools open evenings

School	Date	SIF required
Barnhill School	Thursday 10 September	No
Bishop Ramsey CofE	Thursday 1 October	Yes*
Bishopshalt School	Tuesday 8 September	No
Guru Nanak Sikh Academy	Tuesday 29 September	Yes*
Haydon School	Thursday 17 September	No
Harefield School	Tuesday 15 September	No
Harlington School	Tuesday 22 September	No
Hewens College	Thursday 24 September	No
Northwood School	Wednesday 30 September	No
Oak Wood School	Wednesday 16 September	No
Park Academy West London	Wednesday 9 September	No
Queensmead School	Wednesday 16 September	No
Rosedale College	Tuesday 15 September	No
Ruislip High School	Thursday 24 September	No
Swakeleys School	Thursday 17 September	Yes*
The Douay Martyrs	Thursday 17 September	Yes*
Uxbridge High School	Monday 21 September	No
Vyners School	Wednesday 23 September	No

Please review schools' individual websites to check open evening times.

Yes – Only required if applying under a faith criteria or for the banding test.*

Please contact the school for more information.

For more information or advice

 www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

 admissions@hillingdon.gov.uk

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:

If the world used to be flat, why is it now a sphere?

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) or Mrs Dingwall.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a wonderful week at school: they have been working hard and settling down to their work quickly. All of the children are responding well to the high expectations that are being set by the staff, in order to support the children in closing any gaps they may have.

I will be sending out the parental code of conduct later today—please make sure that you take the time to read it through as there has been some incidents this week that do not adhere to the code. If you have any questions or would like to talk this through further, please email the school office and ask to speak to either Mr Rowden or Mrs Coates.

If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher, about an urgent matter, please pop into the school office in the morning and the teacher will get back to you—it is vital that, if a member of staff needs to talk to you at the end of the day, you wait until the other children have gone.

I am pleased to announce that Miss Kirsty, Miss Jodie and Mr Gray will be joining the 'Safeguarding Team'. I will be formally introducing them to the school (as Safeguarding Leads, next week).

I am so impressed how everyone has taken to the new morning routine—the school is calmer and starts quicker, the car park is far less congested and therefore safer and the children are nearly all running in to school. If your child is not in school, please let the school office know by 09:00, to avoid receiving a truancy message.

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	
02.10	Open Day for prospective parents
06.10	Parent's Consultations 15:30—19:00
16.10	Open Book—08:30—08:50
23.10	School closes for Half Term
02.11	School reopens
02.11	Open Day for prospective parents
13.11	Reading with Parents 08:30—08:50
04.12	Open Book—08:30—08:50
07.12	Rocksteady Concert

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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
- Sibling discounts
- Totally flexible, to suit your needs
- All staff are fully vetted and trained
- Ofsted registered: if you are eligible for Tax Credits you may receive up to 70% back towards your childcare costs
- Credits/Transfers available with 2 days advanced warning

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