

Newsletter



St Martin's CE Primary School Issue 11: 4th December 2023

Class	Attendance %
	% Up on last week % Down on last week
Ash	94%
Beech	90.59%
Birch	86.6%
Chestnut	90%
Elm	95.2%
Holly	75.2%
Maple	91%
Oak	97.7%
Olive	97.3%
Palm	85%
Pine	98.1%
Rowan	92%
Sycamore	93.1%
Willow	90.5%

Good Samaritan Award



Good Samaritan Project

This week's winner of the Good Samaritan Award is for

Dear Parents and Carers:

My goodness, how quickly time is going even though this is one of our longer half terms! It was so much fun being able to see all the children perform at St Martin's got Talent....singing, dancing, football skills, gymnastics, acting...so much talent to see. However, one of my highlights had to be the staff dancing! That's not something we get to see everyday ;)

A big congratulations to everyone who took part. Everyone should be so proud of themselves. We may do things slightly differently next time but I have no doubt, the event will be equally amazing and the children will rise up to the challenge.

Currently we have 165 parents who are able to access Class Charts. If you have not done so, please make sure you have registered. Your child will have had the information you need sent home with them but do ask at the office if you need further details.

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

Please make sure you have activated your account as this will be used for communication along side ParentPay.

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

CHRISTMAS JUMPER AND CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

Christmas jumper day will be held on Thursday 7th December. Children are invited to wear festive clothes to school. This will coincide with our Christmas Dinner day. Please ensure you have ordered your child's Christmas dinner on The Pantry website by Monday 4th December. Please note no extras or alternatives will be offered on this day. If your child is not having a Christmas dinner they must be provided with a packed lunch. If you have pre-ordered for the 7th please make sure you check the options and only select meat, halal or veg. The other options will show but will not be available.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The votes have been counted and verified and we can confirm the following candidates have been selected to represent their class for the School Council:

Year 1 Palm—Ashleesha

Year 1 Elm—Ivy

Year 2 Willow—Myra

Year 2 Ash—Ayaana

Year 3 Pine—Jonathan

Year 3 Olive—Tymek

Year 4 Rowan—Muna

Year 4 Birch—Anett

Year 5 Chestnut—Timothy

Year 5 Beech—Jess

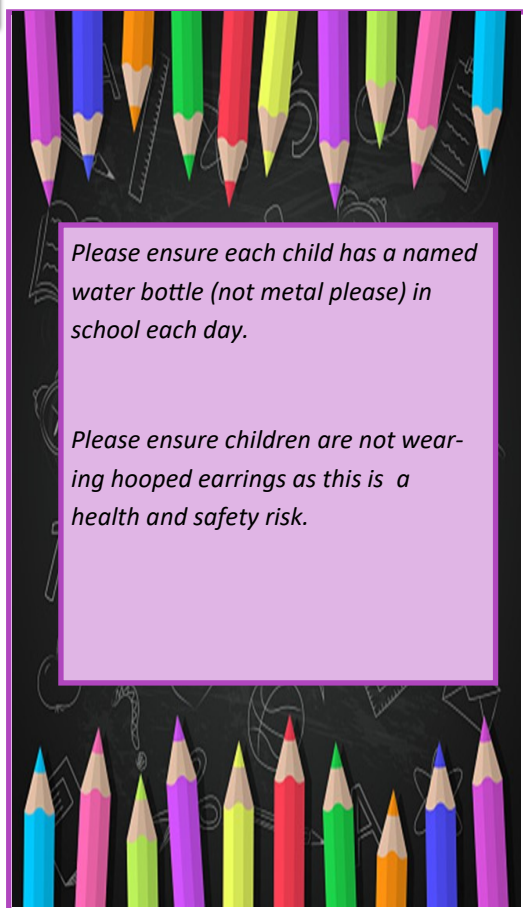
Year 6 Sycamore—Katie

Year 6 Oak—Mikhail

Well done to all the children who put themselves forward.



Other news



Stand Out Learners & Value Award

Class	'Stand Out Learner'	Value Award
Ash	Anaisha-Jade	Gurlove
Beech		
Birch	Harvey	Gurkirat
Chestnut	Timothy	Tommy
Elm	Ruby	Ignancy
Holly	Ali	Sartaj
Maple	George	Velosh
Oak	Dakshveer	Harrison
Olive	Tymek	Agrima
Palm	Raphael	Ashleesha
Pine		
Rowan	Alianza	Nylah
Sycamore	Anne-Marie	Aarav
Willow	Maddison	Christian

Dates for the Diary:

Whole School Events

Thursday 7th December	Flu vaccination
Thursday 7th December	Christmas Jumper Day - Suggested £1 donation
Thursday 7th December	Teach Major—music production 9.30am. Open to parents of children attending Teach Major music lessons
Monday 11th December	Rocksteady concert—details to follow. Open to parents of children attending Rock Steady music lessons
Wednesday 13th December	Reception Care home visit to perform Christmas songs
Thursday 14th December	Nursery & Reception Christmas Craft afternoon 1-3pm. Come join for Christmas crafts, songs and the story
Friday 15th December	Reindeer Rave—details to follow
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	St Martins Choir visit to Care home
Thursday 21st December	Term ends at 2pm
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



St Martin's Got Talent



What a fantastic show we were treated to on Friday night. St Martin's certainly does have talent! It was a joy to see all the children showcasing their talents and with such confidence too!

We had a wide variety of acts from singing, dancing, gymnastics and football skills to name a few. Our judges, Miss Mohammadi, Mrs Coates and Sophie Alexis had a very tough job deciding on the winners and needed extra time to deliberate.

The winners are listed below:

1st Place: Risen with her rendition of 'Man in the Mirror'

2nd Place: Aarya and Ayana with their traditional Indian dance

3rd Place: Eyi, Eri and Gurkirat with their rendition of Boom shakalaka

We are hoping to hold this as an annual event and can't wait for next years acts!



Congratulation's to Olive class who were the last weeks class
attendance winners with 100% - Well Done!

Who will be next???

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



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

A THE COMMUNITY
PROJECT

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

**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.



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