

# Newsletter



**St Martin's CE Primary School** Issue 7: 3rd November 2023

Class	Attendance %
	% Up on last week % Down on last week
Ash	87.3%
Beech	98.1%
Birch	95.6%
Chestnut	94.2%
Elm	93%
Holly	78.9%
Maple	95.3%
Oak	91.9%
Olive	97.7%
Palm	94.4%
Pine	88.5%
Rowan	95.6%
Sycamore	94.5%
Willow	85.2%

## Good Samaritan Award



Good Samaritan Project

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

Dear Parents and Carers:

It has been a pleasure to welcome the children back to school after such a hectic end to the half term! They have all settled very quickly and it is great to hear them singing in the hall at the start of the school day.

This is a very busy half term as we approach Christmas. The PTA have arranged lots of fun activities and events, some of which are listed at the end of the newsletter. One of the highlights will be St Martin's got Talent. We cannot wait to see what the children are going to show us... their talents and skills will be amazing no doubt!

We have had parents coming into the office asking about our new class charts app...although we are not quite ready to launch this yet, please can we remind you that an email can be sent to the school office. This will be directed to the relevant member of staff. Teachers are able to access emails at times during the school day, will pick these up and get in touch with you.

**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.*

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

All children must be accompanied by an adult and walked to the breakfast club door. We have noticed a few children waiting alone before breakfast club is open. As a reminder breakfast club starts at 8am and is payable on ParentPay. Spaces should be pre-booked.

## **POPPY APPEAL**

We will be bringing the items around to each classroom on Monday for the children to buy. We are suggesting a minimum donation of £2 for the snap bands and £1 for all other items. Children will be limited to 1 item each. Any spares will be offered on a first come first serve basis.

## **WET WEATHER SHOES**

All children wanting to play on the field will require a change of shoe. These can be either wellies, football boots (no studs please) or trainers. If possible please try not to send in black shoes so that we as adults can identify the change. This will help minimise the amount of mud coming into the school.

## **OPAL DONATIONS**

We are asking for the below donations for our Opal play areas.

### Construction area

- \*Old helmets
- \*Hi vis jackets
- \*Pallets
- \*Plastic Crates

### Digging area

- \*Sand
- \*Mud/Soil
- \*Spades
- \*Shovels
- \*Gardening gloves
- \*Wellies

### Mud Kitchen

- \*Kitchen utensils (no glass or ceramic)
- \*Old stainless steel-
- \*pots
- \*pans
- \*oven trays
- \*spoons
- \*forks

### Sensory wall

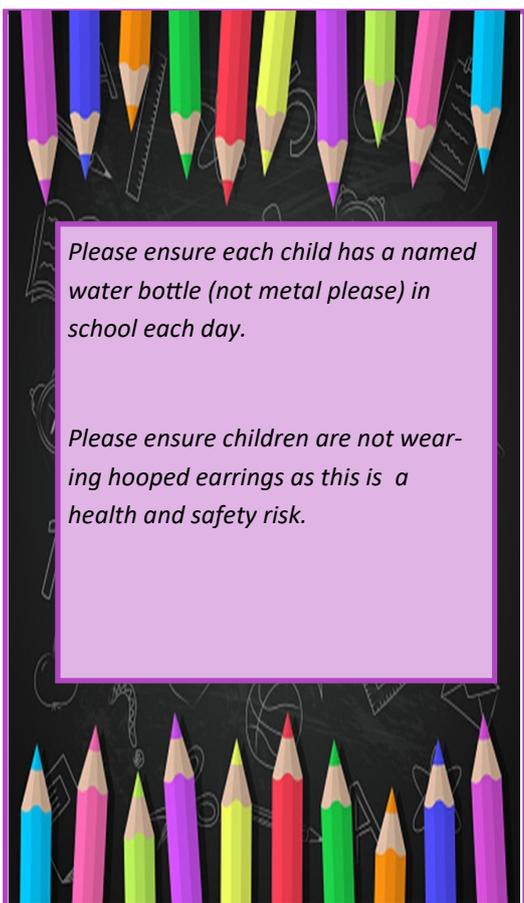
- \*Old drain pipes
- \*Buckets
- \*Water Butt
- \*Sensory toys
- \*Material

### Wheels

- \*Helmets
- \*Scooters
- \*Bikes
- \*Skateboards



## Other news



## Stand Out Learners & Value Award

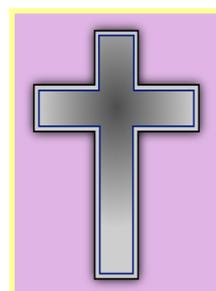
Class	'Stand Out Learner'	Value Award
Ash	Nirvana	Meros
Beech	Alex	Albie
Birch	Anett	Sophie
Chestnut	Summer	Amelia
Elm	Alex	Elora
Holly		
Maple	Alexander	Maseeh
Oak	Tom	Sanehpreet
Olive	Tiffany	Demi
Palm	Ella	Joseph
Pine	Favour	Noah M
Rowan	Eliana	Charbel
Sycamore	Godson	Nathaniel
Willow	Nirvika	Jack

## Dates for the Diary:

### Whole School Events

Date	
Monday 13th - Friday 17th November	Anti-Bullying Week 2023
Thursday 16th November	Martinus Craft Event—see attached poster
24th November	Christmas Fun afternoon—3pm-5pm
24th November	St Martins Got Talent 5.30pm onwards
28th November—1st December	Book Fair
7th December	Flu vaccination
7th December	Christmas Jumper Day - Suggested £1 donation
15th December	Reindeer Rave—details to follow

**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 you need to escalate to the next level, then please see your child's Key Phase Leader.





Congratulation's to Beech class who were the last weeks class attendance winners with 98.1%

**Who will be next???**

A decorative border of autumn leaves in various colors (green, yellow, orange, red, pink) is arranged along the left and right edges of the page. The background is a light-colored wood grain texture.

## **Martinmas Celebration Craft Event**

Join us for an afternoon of  
autumnal based crafting  
activities to be held after  
school on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>  
November until 5pm

£2.50 per child  
Tickets available from  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Refreshments will be  
available to purchase



## PTA UPCOMING EVENTS



### Martinmas Craft Afternoon

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November

3.30 – 5.30pm

£2.50 per child



### Christmas Fun Afternoon

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

3.15 – 5.00pm

50p Entry Fee



### St. Martin's Got Talent

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

From 6pm

£2.50 per adult, £1 per child



### Reindeer Rave

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Early Years & KS1 3.15 – 4.15pm

KS2 4.30 – 5.45pm

### DONATION REQUEST

Please could we have your empty toilet rolls, bottle tops and plastic drinks bottles (1L and 1.5L sizes). Please hand these items to the school office.

### JOIN THE PTA

If you would be interested in joining the PTA, please leave your details with the school office.



### **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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> November  
13:30 – 14:30

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

## Stammering

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://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%	★ <b>PERFECTION</b> ★ "EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT"
4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	98%	<b>IMPRESSIVE</b>
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	96%	<b>NEARLY THERE</b>
9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	95%	<b>CAN BE IMPROVED</b> "INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF BETTER GRADES"
11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	94%	<b>NEEDS TO IMPROVE</b>
20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	90%	<b>SERIOUS CONCERNS</b> "CLASSED AS A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE" referred to Education Welfare Service
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85%	<b>RISK OF PROSECUTION</b> <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

 [nhsnw1.myhealth@nhs.net](mailto:nhsnw1.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**