



NEWS & VIEWS

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& Deputy CEO

Headteacher's Comment:

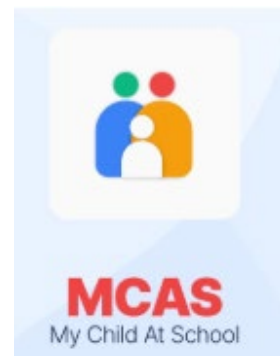
This week I would like to draw parents' attention to an important development for the school. We will shortly be sharing more information about our move to Bromcom as our key school-to-home communication app. Bromcom will replace Satchel from September using the **My Child At School app (MCAS)**. Further details will follow to help families prepare for this change but feel free to download it.

It has also been another full and positive week across the school. Our Year 10 and Year 12 pupils enjoyed a fantastic visit to Berlin over the bank holiday weekend, exploring sites including the Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie, the Holocaust Memorial and the Brandenburg Gate. We are also grateful for the generous donation of materials to our Design and Technology department from Gary Waller and Visteon Engineering Services Limited, which will directly support practical learning in the curriculum.

It was also lovely to welcome back alumni Megan Pleva and Sarah Golds, alongside Karen Pleva, for an engaging Year 12 and Year 13 workshop focused on workplace dilemmas, career journeys and revision advice.

Finally, as Examinations have now begun, I would like to wish our Year 11 and 13 pupils every success over the coming weeks. We are proud of the way they have approached this important stage and encourage them to keep working hard, stay calm and take full advantage of the support around them.

Congratulations to **Lucy H, Max G, Jessica C, Artemis K** and **Ethan N** (Year 13), whose work has been entered into the Headteacher's Gallery in recognition of their exceptional commitment to A Level English Literature. Their dedication is demonstrated through near 100% attendance at revision sessions since September 2025 and consistently excellent independent and additional work throughout the course. A well-deserved achievement.



Berlin Trip

Over the bank holiday weekend, Year 10 and Year 12 pupils enjoyed a fantastic trip to Berlin, making the most of the sunshine while exploring the city's rich history. Highlights included visits to the Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie and the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, where students reflected on the impact of the Holocaust. Lighter moments included a stop at the Rausch Schokoladenhaus, mini golf, and time spent relaxing in the Tiergarten. A visit to the iconic Brandenburg Gate completed a memorable and educational experience. We are very much looking forward to our next MFL trip to Strasbourg next month!



★ DT Department Donation

We are delighted to express our sincere thanks for the recent donation of materials to our Design and Technology (DT) department. This generous contribution was provided by Gary Waller, a valued member of our school community and representative of Visteon Engineering Services Limited.

Donations such as this, alongside others we have recently received, play a vital role in enhancing our pupils' learning experiences. They enable pupils to engage fully in hands-on projects, fostering creativity, innovation, and practical problem-solving skills within the DT curriculum.

By strengthening partnerships with local businesses like Visteon Engineering Services Limited, we continue to see first-hand the positive impact that community support has on educational opportunities.

We would therefore like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contacted the DT department and contributed materials to support our work. Your generosity makes a meaningful difference to our pupils' learning.



★ Year 12 & 13 Workshop

St Martin's School was delighted to welcome alumni Megan Pleva and Sarah Golds, alongside Karen Pleva, to deliver an engaging and interactive workshop for our Year 12 and Year 13 students.

The session explored a range of workplace dilemmas that students may encounter in the future, encouraging them to think critically and collaborate on practical solutions. These discussions were thoughtfully interwoven with the speakers' inspiring career journeys, including opportunities that have allowed them to travel, as well as valuable revision tips and advice ahead of upcoming examinations.

The workshop also marked the conclusion of our bi-weekly careers programme with Year 13 students and provided an excellent finale to a series of insightful and informative sessions.



Dates for the Diary

- 07.05.2026 – Year 11 GCSEs commence
- 13.05.2026 – Year 9 Harry Potter Studios Trip
- 13 CSWK Standardisation

Word of the Week Week 29 buoyant



adjective: staying positive and bouncing back

Sentence: The team are approaching the game in buoyant mood.

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