



26 September 2025

# NEWS & VIEWS

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Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster

## Headteacher's Comment:

It has been another fantastic week at St Martin's, with pupils excelling both in and beyond the classroom. I was particularly delighted to see the wide range of sporting successes – from last-minute football victories to dominant netball performances – all of which reflect the teamwork, resilience and determination that sit at the heart of our school values.

Equally inspiring are the achievements in the performing arts, with pupils like Tayla in Year 8 taking centre stage in external productions and representing our school community so proudly. These accomplishments, alongside the dedication shown by staff in offering clubs and opportunities such as the upcoming Scalextric initiative, highlight the breadth of experiences available to our young people.

Congratulations to Madison, Olivia & Charlotte in Year 7 who have been selected to represent Mid-Essex after attending the Brentwood & Chelmsford Schools District Football trials, well done!



## Saints Sport

It's been an exceptionally busy week of sports fixtures for our super SAINTS. Here are a few of the highlights! Our Sixth Form boys won their Essex Cup football match v Bancrofts School (Woodford Green) with a thrilling last-minute goal. In Basketball, our St Martin's Fire U18 Academy team beat a well drilled Bedford Academy: 57-38 in the AOC Eastern League. Our U16 Netball girls beat Woodbridge High School (Woodford) in their Essex Cup first round with a convincing 45-11 win.



Both our Year 10 and 11 netball teams won their respective Brentwood District Rallies demonstrating outstanding teamwork and skill. Keep an eye on our Instagram @StMartinsSchPE for up-to-date fixture information and celebrations.



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## ★ Pupil Performing at Thameside Theatre

Well done to Tayla in Year 8, who auditioned as a principal dancer at Thameside Theatre. She was the youngest dancer in that category and was offered the role of Senior Sea Chorus.

Well done!



## ★ St Martin's Alumni

St Martin's alumni who run a theatre training and agency called, Act 2, are holding an Audition Day on October 19th for aspiring young actors. If your child is interested in training with West End and TV professionals, as well as accessing casting opportunities, please see the contact details on the attached flyer.

## ★ Key information & Updates for Parents

- Up and coming trips can now be viewed on our website.
- Key pastoral contacts have been updated on our website.

Please can I remind parents and students, not to park in the private roads around Wambrook Close, Hutton Mount and Longaford Way. In addition, please do not park and block the access to the disabled bays in the car park.

Please can parents ensure their children arrive to school with all the equipment they need for the day. There has been an influx in parents bringing into school packed lunches, equipment and PE Kits and we are having a big drive on encouraging pupils to be organised for school and your support is much appreciated.

The DT department are planning to run a Scalextric club for Years 7 & 8. They would really appreciate any Scalextric donations, please contact Mr Brown directly if you can help at [sbrown@st-martins.essex.sch.uk](mailto:sbrown@st-martins.essex.sch.uk)



## Dates for the Diary

30.09.2025 – Year 12 Art and Photography Trip Hyde Hall  
01.10.2025 – Year 13 History NEA support  
ADHD Awareness Month

### Word of the Week Week 4 nefarious



**noun:** wicked or criminal

**Sentence:** The villain had a nefarious plan to steal the treasure.

For PE fixtures please follow twitter @STMartinsSchPE for further PE updates



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