

NEWS & VI

Be The Best You Can Be

Headteacher: Mr I Smyrk

Traditional Values

Learning for the Future

Outstanding Personal Achievement



Headteacher's Comment

Good afternoon, it has been great to welcome many new parents and children on morning tours this week, we have received fantastic feedback about the staff, students and the school. Tours will continue to run until 15 October and should you wish to book an appointment please phone Miss Shelley Neal on 01277 238 303.

This week I would like to share with you a new scheme I am running in the school called Headteacher's Gallery where students are sent to me for being The Best They Can Be. This can be for outstanding work, displaying skills and attributes such as resilience, problem solving, compassion and showing general community spirit. Congratulations to Anna, Caitlin, Savanah and Samuel in Year 7 for their outstanding work in Science. They will now receive 20 house points each and be displayed on our Headteacher's Gallery in reception.









Before I introduce this week's News and Views I would like to inform you of a rewarding opportunity within our community for a School Crossing Patrol Officer. No experience is required and full training and uniform will be provided. Please see the advert below for further details.

Our first item of News & Views continues our introduction to our fantastic support staff and this week it's the turn of our Year Administrators. Mrs Schwar,our SENDCo, then gives us a valuable insight into the great work her department has been doing over the last few weeks. I hope you enjoy and have a great weekend.



Year Administrators

With the new school year well and truly underway we would like to introduce you to our team of year administrators who work alongside the heads of year to provide support to all of our St Martins students.

We have six year administrators split over KS3, KS4 and KS5, Miss Hunt (Year 7), Mrs Blake (Year 8), Miss Whitfield (Year 9), Mrs Carter (Year 10) and Mrs Glenn (Year 11). They transition from year to year along with their students before finally saying farewell at the end of Year 11. We also have Mrs Power in KS5 who supports all of the sixth form students. As the first port of call for hundreds of students and their associated carers, each of the year administrators are masters at multitasking the myriad of challenges that come across their desks on a daily basis and whilst their key areas of responsibility focus on the administration, attendance and welfare of their dedicated year groups, they are also responsible for organising and co-ordinating a range of other school events such as parents evening, immunisations, school photography, sixth form admissions, bikeability and Christmas dinner to name but a few. Although the job can be challenging at times a lot of job satisfaction is gained from knowing that we are helping students settle into their life with us at St Martin's.



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SENDCo

We've had three exciting weeks in N004, starting to get to know our new Year 7s and ensuring that they have been settling into life at St-Martin's. Our lunch club has been as popular as ever. The Year 8s have been wonderful at helping Year 7s grow more confident and have been playing games of hangman, chess, connect-4 and Lego.

Prince's Trust is up and running for our GCSE students. Year 11 are starting their career planning unit which supports them in applying for college, writing CVs and interview practice. Year 10 kick off with our group work unit in which they hone their skills in listening, turn taking and communication.

We were really proud of one of our Year 7 students, Charlie McCartney who got into the school basketball A-Team! We'd also like to say a big well done to all the Year 7s who have started this academic year. We hope you all join some new clubs, find good friends and make the most of your journey at St-Martin's. Keep striving to Be The Best You Can Be.









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