



# NEWS & VIEWS

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## Headteacher's Comment

Good afternoon.

This week I had the pleasure of meeting Erin, Darcey, Eliza, Harley, Amelie and Emmie to hear all about their amazing achievement in the National Cross Country Championships. Well done girls!

Please can I remind parents to politely respect our neighbouring residential roads when picking up and dropping off students, as we have been notified of cars blocking driveways and parking on private roads near the school. Your co-operation with this is much appreciated.

Finally, in this week's News and Views, we hear all about the Drama workshop which took place with the Splendid Theatre Company for Years 10 and 12 and we share below the school's events which are taking place this Spring. Have a good weekend.



## School Events Spring Term



### SCHOOL EVENTS SPRING 2023

Date	Event	Time	Venue
Wednesday 8 February 2023	Upper School Production – Grease	6.00-8.00pm	South Hall, St Martin's School, Hanging Hill Lane, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex CM13 2HG
Thursday 9 February 2023	Upper School Production – Grease	6.00-8.00pm	South Hall, St Martin's School, Hanging Hill Lane, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex CM13 2HG
Wednesday 22 March 2023	Spring Concert	6.00-8.00pm	South Hall, St Martin's School, Hanging Hill Lane, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex CM13 2HG

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## Years 10 and 12 Drama Workshop

On Wednesday 18 January, we welcomed Kerry Frampton from Splendid Productions to the drama department to lead workshops with our Year 10 and Year 12 drama and theatre students.

Year 10 took part in a three hour workshop exploring the work of the theatre practitioner; Brecht and the theatre company; Kneehigh. They learned how to create political theatre from nursery rhymes and the art of 'making strange' before exploring the playful storytelling techniques of Kneehigh. They will use their new knowledge of Brecht in their devised work in the Summer term.

Year 12's workshop was based on the work of Kneehigh theatre company and their theatre making conventions. The students used balloons and scarves in their exploration of puppetry and how they could use this in their forthcoming practical exam performances. They also experimented with mimicry, clocking, animalisation and chorus as techniques they can take into their devising component.

