

# NEWS & VIEW

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**Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster** 



## Headteacher's Comment:

It has been a great start to the first half term with a big push on standards and expectations as well as the recruitment of many excellent teachers to join St Martin's in January. In addition, we have recruited four assistant headteachers to join the senior team to help deliver the outstanding education for our young people. We will continue to work on improving communications with parents/carers and thank all of you who have attended the information evenings this term. Years 8 and 11 will run after half term.

Congratulations to Charlie McCartney in Year 9 for winning the Positive Environment Award from the Essex County Football Association for all his fantastic work with Autistic FC. What an inspirational role model!

Our Year 10 and 11 boys' and girls' teams both competed in the Regional Indoor Athletics Finals at Lee Valley this week. The girls won silver medals in the A Final and the boys won silver in the B final. To gain podium places against some of the best schools from across London, Essex, Hertfordshire and Kent is a remarkable achievement. We are extremely proud.

Finally, just a reminder that we have our Sixth Form Open evening on Thursday 2 November. Pupils will be leaving the school site at 1.30pm on that day so staff can prepare for this event. Please note there is no late start on the Friday so school will start at the usual time. Have a great half term!





#### **DET Member Vacancy**



Discovery Educational Trust - South Essex - Recruiting for Members

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We welcome applications from people from the wider world of education, or from public, private or charitable organisations, who have a passionate belief in the power of education to transform life chances.

Our Trust currently comprises three very different schools - one in Southend and two in Brentwood. However, its record of successful school improvement has resulted in us being chosen by two primary schools in Brentwood as the Trust that they would like to join. Expansion of our secondary school base is also anticipated in the coming years.

For an informal conversation about the role, or to apply, please contact Mr Dave Smith, Member (dsmith@discoveryeducationaltrust.co.uk). Please send a CV with your application. More information on the role is available on the Trust website via https://www.discoveryeducationaltrust.co.uk/aboutus/vacancies



### Dates for the Diary

- 23.10.2023 27.10.2023 Half Term
- 30.10.2023 Year 12 Art & Photography Trip Hyde Hall
- 1.11.2023 Year 8 Information Evening
- 02.11.2023 All Year Groups early finish at 1.30pm
- 02.11.2023 Sixth Form Open Evening
- 03.11.2023 03.11.2023 Years 11 and 13 Reports Home

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#### Chief Executive Officer: Mr R Duff

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