



NEWS & VIEWS

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Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster

Headteacher's Comment:

A huge congratulations to Fleur Bennett in Year 8 who has been selected for the FA Women's England Pathway Talent Event on 3 February. What an amazing achievement! Well done Fleur we are extremely proud of you at St Martins.

Back in December, as part of our Christmas festivities, we held a 'Christmas Jumper Day' in aid of SNAP, our local charity. Students in Year's 7-13 joined in and we raised £810.31, with the sixth form raising an additional £170.00. The money raised will help to ensure over 4,300 families across Essex, who have a child or young person with any additional need or disability, can continue to rely on SNAP.

At St Martin's, communication is key to ensure positive relationships between staff, students and parents. As with other public services, it is expected that parents and students communicate with our staff politely and respectfully. As a reminder, any threatening or abusive behaviour towards our members of staff is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.



Upper School Production of Chicago

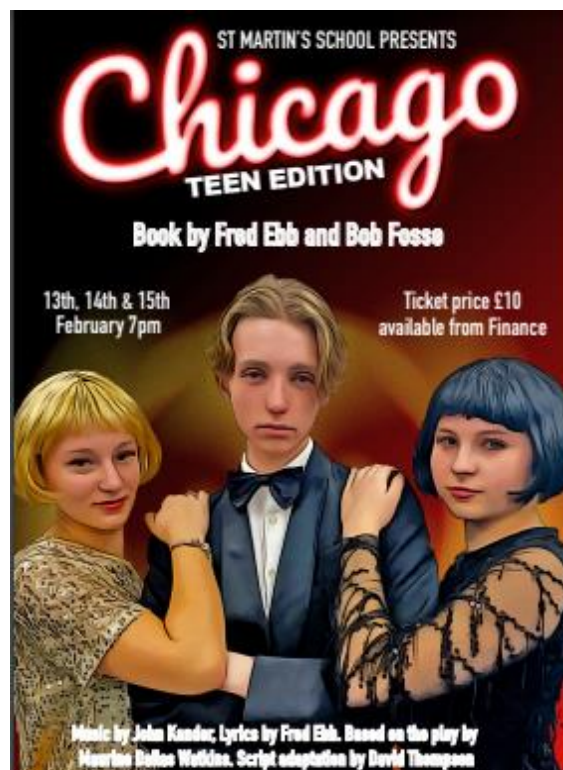
This year, to show off the extraordinary talent we have at St Martin's, we have put on another musical show stopper. We are excited to be staging our upper school production of '*Chicago Teen Edition*'.

Hamish Baumber (Yr 13) has the role of Billy Flynn, **Eve Page** (Yr 13) is playing the role of Roxie and for our young cast **Hannah Northcott** (Yr 11). **Katie Mollard** (Yr 13) takes on the role of Velma with **Leah McGeoch** (Yr 11) taking on the role for the younger cast. **Jack Liddicott** (Yr 12) will take on the responsibility as lighting designer and technician.

Performances are taking place on:

13, 14, 15 February from 7pm to 9pm

Tickets can be purchased from the Finance Office from Thursday 1 February at £10 per ticket.



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★ Visit from Eleanor Morrow

This week, Years 10 to 13 Textiles' students were visited by Eleanor Morrow, an ex St Martin's student, who shared with them her education and career since leaving 4 years ago. The students were able to interact with examples from Eleanor's profession of mascot making and the hard work that is produced in the short time span. Examples of her work included mascots from Legoland and a piece currently being created for Papa Smurf.

The students were able to look through projects created by Eleanor, whilst she studied costume design at Nottingham Trent University. Students were able to gain a valuable insight into how costumes are "broken down" to have wear and tear, ready for the stage or theatre. Students observed the various elements used to create different effects. Students were able to experience working with real world customers and their expectations.

Students recreated some practical experiments with Eleanor based around some of her work. It was brilliant to see the students engaged in this experience and asking questions linked to pursuing a career in the costume and textiles industry.



★ Super SAINTS success

Congratulations to all 6 of our fabulous cross-country runners who represented Mid-Essex in the County Schools Championships this weekend! Left to right - Isobel (Yr13), Sienna (Yr11), Erin (Yr8), Emmie (Yr9) & Louis (Yr12), plus Amelie in Yr 9 (absent from group photo) have now all been selected to represent Essex Schools at Inter-Counties on 3 February. Special congratulations must go to Erin, who has additionally qualified to run at the National Schools Championships in March. An amazing achievement as she is still a year young! Good luck super SAINTS!



Dates for the Diary

- 30.01.24 - Upper School Production Rehearsals, South Hall
- 31.01.24 - Upper School Production Rehearsals, South Hall
- 02.02.24 - Year 13 Art & Photography Trip
- 02.02.24 - More Able Lecture
- 02.02.24 - Year 10 Drama PPE Scripted Performances

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