

# St Martin's School Weekly News

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## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

### Ofsted Inspection

As you are aware, Mrs Alison Bradley, Senior HMI, spent Tuesday in St Martin's CE (Aided) Primary School. She has asked us to pass on her thanks to the children, parents and carers for making her feel so welcome. We are now waiting for the letter she writes following her visit to be sent to school and will share it with you as soon as possible – however please be aware that this will probably be after the Easter holidays. We would like to thank everyone for their support during the OFSTED visit – your positive comments, best wishes, chocolates and cakes were really appreciated by all of the staff. Thank you!

### Mothering Sunday

It was lovely to see some of you in church on Sunday to celebrate Mothering Sunday and give thanks for those people who look after us. A special thank you to Edward B, William F and Anabel M for reading the prayers so clearly. It was a very special service and I am sure that everyone who received one of the posies of flowers created by St Martin's children on Friday last week really appreciated them.



### COINS

On Tuesday our Year 6 children spent the afternoon at Woolton Hill Junior School taking part in a range of activities designed to explore Easter. We would like to thank COINS for organising this experience.

### Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby League

On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, Jack R, Zak R, Beau P, Louis C, Harry J, Logan A, Bruno H, Poppy L, Milla B, Nina M and Katya B went to Woolton Hill Junior School to compete in a tag rugby event. The other schools there were: Vernham Dean, Hurstborne Tarrant and Woolton Hill. St Martin's worked very hard and won all of their three matches! Jack R scored an exceptional 7 tries and Beau P scored an excellent 5 tries. Well done to all of the other children that scored tries too and for everyone who contributed to such a successful competition! Overall, the rugby team had a fun and great time!



Thank you to Mr Codling for coaching the team and also, alongside Mrs Clifton, for being a great supporter. Also thank you to all the parents watching and for showing a great team spirit!

By Poppy L, Willow Yr6

### Year 5 and 6 Sports Hall Athletics Final

Following our strong performance in the heats of the Sports Hall Athletics Competition Zak R, Tom C, Jack R, Charles S, Beau P, Harry J, Milla B, Nina M, Poppy L, Cheyenne B, Emily D and Holly S took part in the Basingstoke and Deane final on Thursday afternoon. Throughout the afternoon they demonstrated amazing courage, pushing themselves to perform as well as possible. We finished 8<sup>th</sup> out of all schools in Basingstoke and Deane but bought home the trophy for Best Small School in Basingstoke and Deane.

### Book Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated books and supported our book sale last week. We are delighted to inform you that we raised £53.40, which will be used to purchase new books for our library.

### School Association

As you are aware, the school association organise and run a variety of events throughout the year that are enjoyed by our children, our parents and the whole community. They also raise a significant amount of money which benefits all the children at St Martin's. Our Chair of the School Association, Mrs Jacobs' term of office is coming to an end and we are looking for someone who would like to take on the role. We are hoping to find someone soon so that Mrs Jacobs can work alongside them over the next months and support them as they take on the role. If you think you might be interested, please let the school office know or if you have any questions, please talk to Mrs Bartlett or Mrs Jacobs.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Jacobs for everything she has done, and is still doing, for our school.

### Zumba Club payments

A gentle reminder to parents from Chantal Tyas, some fees are still outstanding for Zumba Club, please could money owed by brought in to the school office or given to Chantal.



**HOUSE OF THE WEEK:** North

**Average Merits**

**3.4**

**House Captains:** Elri K and Brandon W

**South**

**2.8**

**East**

**3.0**

**West**

**2.2**

### Special Learning Awards

**Congratulations to:** Louis C for perseverance in writing and creating an exciting story opening with lots of description.

**Congratulations to:** Leonardo D for reading all the words in the Sound Out Book.

**Congratulations to:** Jack S-H and Leonardo D for writing about a pirate.

**Congratulations to:** Penelope P for having great ideas for her sweet machine.

**Congratulations to:** Livi D for writing a great description of her 'Bubble-Gum' machine.

**Congratulations to:** Tom A for great writing about his chocolate machine.





## School Values Awards



### **Creativity:**

**Congratulations to:** William F and Edward B, helping to create a super church service: jacket, smile, helpful, leading the song.

**Congratulations to:** Edward B for having lot of amazing ideas in English, Maths Science and R.E.

**Congratulations to:** Holly C for noticing that the Cherries were learning about pirates and thinking to offer them her lovely wooden pirate ship.

**Congratulations to:** Toby S for bringing in lots of different work about 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

### **Courage:**

**Congratulations to:** Holly S for going to Sports Hall Athletics to help her team, even though she wasn't sure.

**Congratulations to:** Nancy F for picking herself up on Cross Country, after a fall, and doing several more laps.

**Congratulations to:** Anabel M for reading beautifully and bravely in church, even when she thought she wasn't brave enough.

### **Friendship Award:**

**Congratulations to:** Imogen W for staying in during play to look after a friend.

**Congratulations to:** Flo T for always being kind and friendly to everyone.

**Congratulations to:** Albert R for achieving 9<sup>th</sup> Kup White Belt in Tae Kwon-Do

## **NEXT WEEK:**

### **Residential**

The Year 5 and 6 children are looking forward to their residential visit to Avon Tyrrell next week. If your child is involved, please make sure that you check the information given out at the meeting for parents and get everything organised over the weekend. If there have been any changes to your child's medical information since you have completed the form, please make sure you write this down for us. If your child needs any medication next week, please make sure you bring the medication and completed form with you on Monday and hand it to Mrs Rennison. We look forward to seeing all the Yr 5 and 6 children in the hall on Monday morning.

## **ST MARTIN'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION:**

### **School Disco – Friday 16th March TONIGHT**

Notice for Cherry parents regarding the disco: We are endeavouring to make the disco an event that all the children will enjoy. However we do know that loud music can be a little overwhelming for the younger children. All Cherry parents are invited to stay with children during the disco or nominate an adult who will do so. The first hour will be focussed on games designed to involve and engage the younger children. You are welcome to stay to check that your child settles and enjoys the disco or to drop them off and go – every child is different and you know your child best! We have created a quiet room in one of the classrooms with colouring for any child who gets overwhelmed by the music and fancies a break.



**SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> – SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

**\*\*\*\*\*ARTEX 18\*\*\*\*\***

**This Weekend**

We would be grateful of any last minute offers of help over the weekend. Please remember, if you can't help, to come along to browse the artwork - every child has created a piece which is available for sale and they just love having a red dot on their artwork. Proceeds from the sale of the children's artwork go to the charity chosen by the school council.

We also have a facebook page for you to share - look up Artex17.

### **SAVE THE DATE: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018 – School Association Barn Dance**

The School Association are organising a Barn Dance on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July to celebrate the start of the summer and also to wish Beverly Clifton all the best in her retirement. All monies raised will buy interactive panels for each class.

Early bird tickets £20 per person before 30<sup>th</sup> April (£25 per ticket thereafter) and this includes entertainment and a hog roast. So take your partners by the hand and buy your tickets soon! Deadline 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 (thereafter tickets will be £25 per person).

If there is anyone who works for an employer who operates a matched funding scheme, we would be very grateful to hear from you. Please contact Anna Wake, Caroline Bridge or Jo Rutter if you can help or have any queries.

### **MESSAGE BOARD:**

#### **Head Lice**

Unfortunately we seem to be having reports, on a weekly basis, that head lice are STILL WITH US. Please can we ask that you check (and treat if necessary) your child's hair as a matter of routine and do let your child's teacher know if you have found either the nits (eggs) or the head lice in your child's hair so that they can be on their guard. May we remind you that the school policy/rule is that all shoulder length hair is tied back securely at all times.



We have some new head lice combs in the School Office, which are very effective. If you would like one, please come and ask.

#### **Lost Clothing**

Athena L has lost a multi coloured 'Little Bird' zipped sweatshirt it was left behind after Zumba on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February. If you have found it please could you return it to Athena. Many thanks.

## **ACTIVITIES: 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018**

### School

All Week	Yr 5 and 6 residential – please check the school website for updates of what the children have been doing
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 4 Visit to the Corn Exchange French Club (Yr R/1) 12:25pm Monday Funday 2:00pm Brass/Woodwind Mr. Crouter from 3:00pm Yr 2 – 6 Football Club 3:30pm – 4:30pm Yr 1 – 6 Zumba Club 3:30pm – 4:20pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Judo 8:00am – 8:45am Italian Club 12:25pm Yr 3/4 Cross Country at Newbury Showground Yr 1 and 2 Multi Skills 3:25pm – 4:25pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	No Cross Country
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Piano lessons with Xenia Kasper 9:55am Brass / Woodwind Lessons from 1:00pm

### Church

Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion – East Woodhay 8:00am
Lent 5	Benefice Communion –Woolton Hill 10:00am Baptism – Woolton Hill 12:00pm Evensong – Crux Easton 5.00pm

### Governors

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Body Meeting
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### **FLYERS below:**

Barn Dance – School Association

All Starts Cricket

Easter Holiday Camps - Sports Xtra

Rugby Tots

Quiz Night – to raise funds to re-open Friends of Wash Common Library

The Clere School Quiz Night



# **BARN DANCE**

**13<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

**Join us to celebrate the start of the summer  
and wish Beverly Clifton Good Luck in her  
retirement.**

**8pm til Late  
East Woodhay Village Hall, RG20 0AR.**

**Early Bird tickets £20 per person  
(Book before 30<sup>th</sup> April, tickets thereafter £25 per person).  
Includes Entertainment and Hogroast.**

**All monies raised will buy interactive panels for the  
classrooms.**

**Dress code: Casual and Barn Dance attire if you fancy!**

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**Please complete and hand into message box outside school office:**

**DATE BOUGHT:**

**NAME:**

**NUMBER OF TICKETS:**

**DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:**





# Big Moments

All Stars Cricket gives children the chance to play, learn great skills and meet new friends!



Includes Personalised Kit!

## East Woodhay CC

East Woodhay Cricket Club, Newbury, RG20 0AP

10:00am - 11:00am, Saturdays (May 12th - June 30th)

Contact: [dominic.walters@bdo.co.uk](mailto:dominic.walters@bdo.co.uk)

Register at [allstarscricket.co.uk](http://allstarscricket.co.uk)



# EASTER HOLIDAY COURSES IN READING & NEWBURY

FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5 - 14 YEARS OLD



## DATES

WEEK 1: TUE 3RD APR TO THU 5TH APR

WEEK 2: TUE 10TH APR TO THU 12TH APR

## VENUES

RIVERS HEALTH CLUB  
SCOURS LANE  
READING  
RG30 6AY

PARK HOUSE SCHOOL  
ANDOVER ROAD  
NEWBURY  
RG14 6NQ



## COSTS

1 DAY - £20

2 DAYS - £35

3 DAYS - £45

4 DAYS - £55

5 DAYS - £60

6 DAYS - £66



### OFFERS:

1. 25% SIBLING DISCOUNT

2. GROUP DISCOUNT - FOR GROUPS OF 5 OR MORE CHILDREN

BOOKING 3 OR MORE DAYS. PLEASE CONTACT MARK ON 07771 592 200  
OR EMAIL [MWINCHCOMBE@GLOBALPREMIERSOCCER.COM](mailto:mwinchcombe@globalpremiersoccer.com) FOR INFO.

3. HOT FOOD OPTION AT READING - £3.50 PER DAY

### BOOKING:

READING - [WWW.OPENPLAY.CO.UK/VIEW-COURSE/7845](http://WWW.OPENPLAY.CO.UK/VIEW-COURSE/7845)

NEWBURY - [WWW.OPENPLAY.CO.UK/VIEW-COURSE/7838](http://WWW.OPENPLAY.CO.UK/VIEW-COURSE/7838)



**Sports Xtra Easter Holiday Courses**  
**Danger Mouse Sports Xperience**  
**Book now from only £21 per child per day**

Dates	Venue	Time
April 3 <sup>rd</sup> - April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Willink Leisure Centre- RG7 3XP	<u>09:30-16:00</u> Xtra time 08:30-17:00
April 3 <sup>rd</sup> - April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Kennet Leisure Centre- RG19 4LJ	<u>09:30-16:00</u> Xtra time 08:30-17:00
April 3 <sup>rd</sup> - April 13 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul's Primary School RG31 4SZ	<u>09:30-16:00</u> Xtra Time 08:30-17:00

Ages 5-12 Years Old (School Years R- 7)

- RRP \*£30 per child per day \*(Booking fees apply)
- Xtra time £7 per child per day (08:30-17:00 extended hours)
- Swimming every day at Kennet and Willink

Early booking discounts as follows...

30% off until March 10<sup>th</sup>

20% off until March 31<sup>st</sup>

Enter the venue postcode from above to easily find your course online

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**Friends of Wash Common Library**

# **Charity Quiz Evening**

to raise funds for the Re-opening of Wash Common Library

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
**at 7.00 pm**  
**at the Bowlers Arms.**

Tickets £10 include a Chilli Supper (with Veggie Option)

Teams to be of four or six.

Tickets available from the Bowlers Arms, or at the Book  
Exchange every Saturday morning at Wash Common  
Community Centre from 10 till 12. Or from Mary Leonard at  
[Maryfitzpatrick@icloud.com](mailto:Maryfitzpatrick@icloud.com)



The Clere School

# 50th Anniversary Quiz Night

Please join us for our next fundraiser.

**Friday 23rd March 2018**

6.45pm to 9.30pm

A celebratory quiz for families. Any age welcome, although questions suit age 11+.

Up to 6 players per team.

Create your own team, or singles and couples can be matched up on the night.

Please book your ticket in advance by emailing:

[n.hughes@clere.hants.sch.uk](mailto:n.hughes@clere.hants.sch.uk)

Tickets: £10 adults, £5.00 per child.

Price includes free drink and nibbles.

(Further drinks and refreshments will be available on the night.)

All proceeds will go towards school funds. Payment can be made either by cheque, payable to Hampshire County Council, or cash in advance, or on the evening.