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Newsletter 379, 16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Friends,



It has been really useful recently to talk with so many parents, in both schools, about their child's individual targets. We have been able to work together to support the children in the best ways that we can. Effective collaboration between parents and primary schools improves a child's academic progress, attendance, behavior, and wellbeing. The week after half term we have parent teacher consultations and we look forward to talking with everyone else then. Thank you for working with us for the benefit of the children.

Weekly Worship Focus

This week in worship we have followed the theme of 'Pressing on towards the prize' with the biblical reference of Philippians chapter 3, verses 10-14. We thought about what we are good at and reminded ourselves that we can always improve with work. Like sports people becoming Olympians and like St Paul in his work, we should not give up.

We invite parents of children who receive certificates to join us for worship on a Friday in school. However, you can still join us virtually if it is easier for you.

Monday – Thursday we have whole school worship at 2.45pm. On a Friday it is 1pm or 2.30pm, please check with the office. You are welcome to join us at any of these sessions.

Vacancies

We still have one mid day supervisor vacancy at St Martin that we would really like to fill as soon as we possibly can.

At St Martin at Shouldham Church of England Primary Academy we are committed to creating the foundations to build successful futures. We are looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic Midday Supervisor to join our supportive team and play a key role in the supervision of our pupils during their midday break

The advert can be viewed on My New Term

(<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/140870/EDV-2026-SMSCEPA-76343>). It will also be shown on our website, however at the moment the websites are unavailable. If you are interested (and we hope you are) please pop in to the office or give us a call. Thank you!



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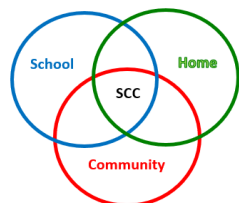
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Community Councils



Come and join our community council meeting at 9am on **6th November at St Martin** or **9th November at All Saints**. We will meet just once each term. Our jobs will include reviewing parent surveys and advising next steps, suggesting ways the children can be more involved in the community - and how the community can be more involved with school. We would like your views on Worship, but we won't ask you to lead Worship sessions (unless you want to). We might ask you to join children for lunch, or at a carol service. Really your ideas will guide where we go. With you we can offer so much more to the children and I'm excited to work with you in this way. Come and see if it's for you. Thank you!

Attendance



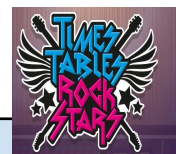
Attendance: Our expectation is at least 96%			
All Saints		St Martin	
Saturn	96.67%	Explorers	100%
Jupiter	89.55%	Investigators	98.97%
Neptune	93.04%	Navigators	98.52%
Mars	95%	Voyagers	98.75%
		Researchers	94.69%
Total for the school	93.04%	Total for the school	97.93%
Oh no!		Super! Well done.	

It's so important to be in school as much as you can be!



Awards

Times Tables Awards



All Saints		St Martin	
Jupiter	Bear	Investigators	Oliver
Neptune	Tabitha	Navigators	Hugo
Mars	Tristan	Voyagers	Freya
		Researchers	Rosie-Lee

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All Saints		St Martin	
Deer	2396	Sandringham	1195
Badger	2009	Blickling	872
Owl	2388	Houghton	1183
		Oxburgh	876

All Saints				St Martin			
	Sports Person	Reader	Behaviour (outside)		Sports Person	Reader	Behaviour (outside)
Saturn	Maci	Mollie	George	Explorers	Charlie	Ophelia	Grace
Jupiter	Ragnar	Jacob	Piper	Investigators	August	Harrison	Poppy
Neptune	Rocco	Kyson	Jadon	Navigators	Hector	Ella	Indie
Mars	Freya-Louise	Finn	Mia	Voyagers	Beatrice	Nandi	Olive
				Researchers	Emily	Daisy	Justin

Non Uniform Day for All

We are delighted to be working with Downham Market Rotary again this school year. On Thursday 22nd October we will be supporting Rotary's "Purple for Polio" campaign by holding a non-uniform day. All children and staff are invited to wear 'only purple' on this day for a suggested donation of £1. During the day, children will learn about Rotary's campaign to eradicate polio across the world. For every £1 donated for "Purple for Polio", the Gates Foundation will donate a further £2, so please do give as generously as you can. If you would like to find out more about "Purple for Polio" or if you are interested in finding out how you can join Rotary, please have a look at the club's website

www.downhammarketrotary.co.uk or contact clairejaques.rotary@gmail.com





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Calendar



Our special value this half term is: **Thankfulness**

	All Saints	Partnership	St Martin
22nd October		Just Purple for Polio Day	
23rd October		No School for Children Today	
Half Term 26th - 30th October			
2nd November	All Saints Day Celebrations		
6th November			9am Community Council Mtg
9th November	9am Community Council Mtg		
11th November		Remembrance Day	
12th November	Mobile Library Visit		Flu Immunisations
13th November		London Visit for Worship Group and (some) Pupil Leaders	St Martin's Day Celebrations
16th November	Photographs	Anti Bullying Week	
24th November			Mobile Library Visit
4th December		Elf Day	
7th December		Grace Schools Carol Service	
8th December		Pantomime	
9th December			Christmas dinner & Christmas Jumpers
10th December	Mobile Library Visit Christmas dinner & Christmas Jumpers		
Week beg 14th Dec	Christmas Productions PM 16th & 17th		Christmas Productions PM 14th, AM & PM 15th

Last Day of Half Term: Thursday 22nd October

Back to School Monday 2nd November

Last Day of Term Friday 18th December

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Non Pupil Days this year: 1st & 2nd September, 23rd October, 4th January and 12th April



Pantomime

The Christmas pantomime this year is Sleeping Beauty.

Children in Years 1 - 6 are invited to the Pantomime at Kings Lynn Corn Exchange on Tuesday 8th December.

The cost of the ticket is £12 per child. Thank you to Friends at both school for paying for the transport. Tickets are payable via MCAS, under 'Trips'. Making payment also gives your consent. **Payment must be made by 22nd October at the latest. If you have not paid by this date then your child will not be able to go and will be expected to be in school as normal.**

If you have any concerns about paying for the visit then please speak to Mrs Howe in confidence.

More information about the day will be sent out nearer the time.

See accompanying documents.

All Saints News

Library Help Needed

Do you have any spare time that you could spend helping to run our school library? Please let us know if you do. The children need you. Thank you.

Trimtrails

As you are aware the trimtrails in the Early Years area and on the field are rotting and can't be used. We'd like to buy something that is not wooden and that would last longer, but first we need to get rid of the crumbling wooden ones.

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Do you have the equipment and technology to help us with this? Do you know anybody who could help?

Please let Mrs Raven De Burca know if you can help, we'd really appreciate it. Thank you.

St Martin at Shouldham News

Attendance Prize

Our friends from bikeability entered us into a competition and we have won!!

We are now in a position to offer a new bike from Halfords to one lucky person just before Christmas.

Everybody with 100% attendance will be entered into a draw. Good luck!



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A parking request from our neighbours

Please don't park right outside people's houses, stopping them having access to their own homes. Thank you.



CALLING ALL PARENTS

DO YOU OWN A BUSINESS OR KNOW SOMEONE THAT OWNS A BUSINESS? WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO HELP FRIENDS OF ST MARTIN WITH A RAFFLE PRIZE FOR THE CHRISTMAS MARKET?

If you feel you may be able to help with something like a voucher, or a gift donation, please speak to Hannah or email on friends@st-martin.norfolk.sch.uk



Can we reunite your military family?

Who we're looking for

If you or your partner has been serving overseas for 10 weeks or more and is due to return to the UK on any date between **16th and 30th November 2026**, we'd love to hear from you!

How to apply

Please email Louise from the team at louise@littletroopers.net

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Speed Stacking Results

An extra 40 Dojo points to the house that came 1st, 30 points to 2nd, 20 points to 3rd and 10 points to 4th.

The results were:

1st - Oxburgh

2nd - Sandringham

3rd - Blickling

4th - Houghton

Well done everyone!



Parish Council Request

We are collecting bottle bottoms in order to decorate the tree on The Green for Remembrance. Can the children bring in donations of bottles ready for us to decorate? A collection area will be arranged at the school reception area ready for bottles to be collected on Friday 23rd.



We appreciate your support on this matter and hopefully the children will then like to see their bottles once decorated on the tree.

Once we have details of the service being arranged for Sunday the 8th November we will let you know more.

We need your help please!

The tree on the green is going to be decorated for remembrance and we need more bottle bottoms! If you could kindly save your 1litre minimum clear bottle bottoms it would be really appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on **Monday** morning.
Remember **lessons start at 8.45am**.

Katherine Howe

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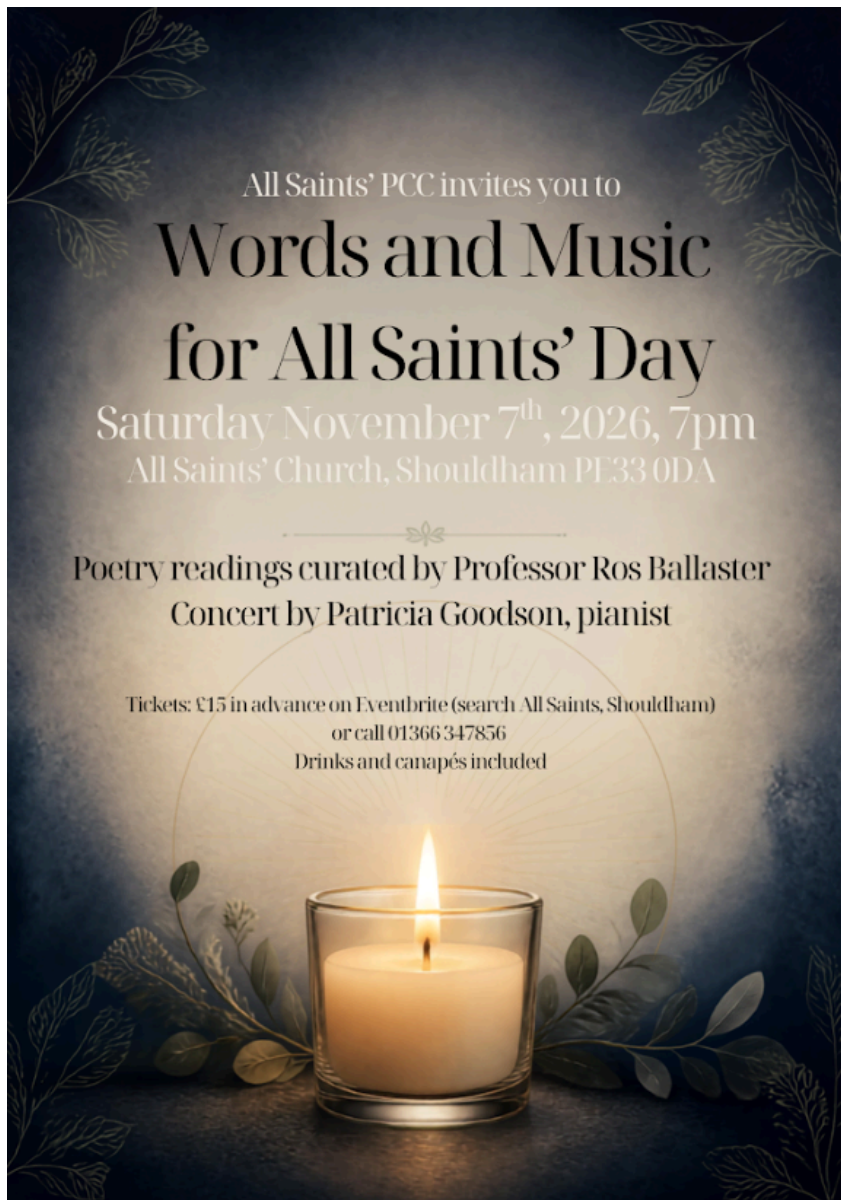
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Free half-term activities: Discover Coding at Green Libraries Week

Want to learn how coding can help you to understand the environment? Join us during Green Libraries Week (October half-term) for free beginner coding activities. Click on the title for the link.

Lots to choose from in King's Lynn and other locations.



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What's on at the King's Lynn Family Hub this October ...

Find more information



www.norfolk.gov.uk/familyhubs

Monday

Katie from Norfolk Community Law Service (NCLS) on 23rd October 10:00am to 4:30pm will be offering families support which includes:

- Family Law and Court Support
- Welfare Benefits
- Debt and Money Advice

Tuesday

Matilda from Leeway Domestic Abuse Services on the 3rd and 17th October 10:00am to 1:00pm will be offering family support with:

- Emotional Support
- Practical guidance
- Referrals to other domestic abuse services.

Thursday

Emma from the Department of Work and Pensions on Thursdays between 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Emma can support parent/carers with:

- Benefit related queries
- Finances difficulties and debts
- Childcare funding

Friday

Thursday 1st of October the Health Visitors are at the Family For the 0-5 Healthy Child Drop-In session:

- Get you 0-5 age child weighed
- Get Health Visitor advice and guidance on any questions you have
- Get connected to local community groups

Danii from SEN Socials and Georgie our Community Worker welcome you to join them on.

**Monday 12th of October 2026
10:30pm to 12:30pm**

For a cuppa and an informal chat about all things SEND parenting.

No diagnosis needed.

Children are welcome and there will be an activity each session provided by **Voices Through Art!**

Contact sensocialsdownham@gmail.com for further information or to request a social story and venue walk through.

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Kings Lynn and West Norfolk – October 2026 Engagements

Community Events - for Parents, Carers & Young People

The family hub team will be available at these community venues to answer your questions, share information on a wide range of activities, groups and organisation that can help you and your family

Thursday 1st October Midwifery Hub South Lynn 10am - 12pm

Tuesday 6th October PEEP Move Outwell Village Hall 10:00am - 11:00am

Thursday 8th October ECFS Fairstead Community Centre Stay and Play 10:00am - 11:30am

Thursday 8th October Downham Market Library 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Saturday 10th October Kings Lynn Library 10am - 12pm - please note 30 minute appts for this date are to be made via email cspartnercommunitywest@norfolk.gov.uk

Monday 12th October Family Hub (St Augustine's) SEND Café 10:30am - 12:30pm

Tuesday 13th October Gaywood Library 9:15am - 11:15am

Tuesday 13th October Swan Youth Project 9:00am-11:00am

Tuesday 13th October Morrison's Café (Kings Lynn) Peer Support Group 1pm - 3pm

Tuesday 20th October Swan Youth Project 9:00am - 11:00am

Thursday 22nd October 0-5 Healthy Child drop-in Downham Market 9:00am - 11:00am

Thursday 22nd October Dersingham Library 12:30pm - 2pm

Thursday 22nd October Marshland Hall 1pm - 2:30pm

Monday 26th October Kings Lynn Library Peer Support Group 10am - 12pm

Tuesday 27th October Cornerstone Church South Lynn 9am - 12pm

Tuesday 27th October ECFS Downham Market Stay and Play 9:30am-11:00am

Wednesday 28th October Downham Market Library 3:00pm-4:30pm

You are also welcome to drop-in at the
Family Hub at St Augustine's Centre, North
Lynn or call

01553 669651



**BEST
START
IN LIFE**

Community and Partnership (C&P) team reserves the right to cancel event due to circumstances beyond C&P's control or not reasonably anticipated by C&P.

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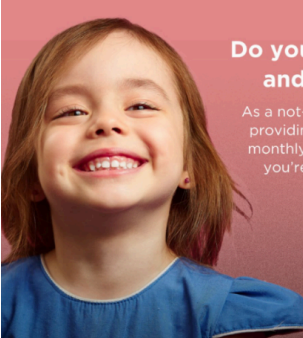
Swan Youth Project

youth work works



Who are we?	Swan Youth Project is a youth and community project based at the heart of it's community. We support young people from age 8, plus their families with a wide range of high quality services. We work with a Trauma Informed approach, getting to know our young people and families really well.
Support for young people	• Open Access Youth Groups • 1:1 support for mild/emerging mental health • Young Carers Support • Hygiene Bank • More than a Bike • Holiday Activities • Duke of Edinburgh Award
Support for families	• Family Support • Parents Group • Roots and Wings Group (parent and child) • Courses
Support for the community	• Workshops and assemblies • Employment/work readiness support • Vocational tasters and trips • Residential Trips • Love Downham shop • Garden Project

Swan Youth Project
Paradise Road
Downham Market
PE38 9JE



Do you have space in your home and heart to foster a child?

As a not-for-profit, we reinvest in our foster carers, providing full training, a dedicated social worker, monthly funding, and all the support you need so you're never alone on this incredible journey.

break-charity.org/foster



Timetable 2026

Monday
More Than A Bike: 4pm - 6pm
Roots and Wings: 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Tuesday
Parents Drop-in: 9am - 11am
Young Carers Check-in: 4pm - 4.30pm
Young Persons Committee: 4pm - 4.30pm
Duke of Edinburgh: 4pm - 4.30pm (alternate weeks)
Open Access: 4.30pm - 6.30pm (from age 8)
Garden Project: 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Thursday
Young Carers Check-in: 3.30pm - 4pm
Junior Open Access: 4pm - 6pm (from age 8, at primary)
Employment Support: 10am - 3pm

Friday
Garden Project: various times (please check)
Young Carers Check-in: 4pm - 4.30pm
Senior Open Access: 4.30pm - 6.30pm (high school age)

Daily
1:1 Support
Family Support

The best thing is making new friends and the people here are all really nice. I don't have many friends at school

If we need help with anything or if we don't feel safe you're there



We welcome visits to our project, so please get in touch if you would like to look round and speak with staff

BEAVERS



1st Wereham & Wretton Scout Group

We are proud to be serving the community, preparing young people with skills for life and creating friendship groups for families.

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We are recruiting Infant Feeding
Peer Support Volunteers in Norfolk!

Our Infant feeding peer support volunteers will give valuable
emotional and practical infant feeding support.

If you are passionate about Infant Feeding and would like to
support Norfolk families on their feeding journey – get in
touch.

For more details and to apply:
<https://bttr.im/Odlzo>

Questions? Contact:
eec.volunteers@nhs.net

To apply, scan the QR Code



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**GEORGE & the
DRAG QUEEN**

Fete brought
them together

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London Theatre Review
A Voucher Theatre
The Uncommon
Hoper Circle
My Theatre Makes

For previous show "Summer"
British Theatre Guide
Guardian
Evening
Edinburgh Guide
Scottish Mail

Friday 16th October, 7.30pm
Shouldham Village Hall
Eastgate Street, Shouldham PE33 0DD

**Tickets
£12**
SCAN TO BOOK

Full bar, kindly provided by The Wrens of Kings Lynn, plus snacks on sale

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**Free Hoopstars session
for Young carers**

Looking for a free activity to do during the school holiday?
Then come along and join us for 1 hour's basketball training with other
Young Carers in Norfolk.

An opportunity to develop your skills, get moving and meet other Young
Carers all while having fun.

We can't wait to meet you

Venue: Watton Community Center
Date: Wednesday 28th October
Time: 2:00 - 3:00 age 8+
Time: 3:00- 4:00 age 13+

Sign up here

by Monday 19th October

The Benjamin Foundation
Positive outcomes
for children, young people & families

For more information please contact Sally
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Rachel Beasley