

10th May 2024

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 10/05/24

I hope this update finds you well. The summer is slowly beginning to start and we've had some nice weather this week! Today, our Year 9 and Year 10 students had their Options Taster Day to help them choose which subjects to take next year. Lots of 'taster' sessions took place, and I hope that students found this helpful and that they are excited for next year. Parent Carers have been invited into school on Tuesday 14th May to learn more about Options and to chat to staff who will be delivering these subjects.

Wearing it Green

On Thursday 16th May, we are 'Wearing it Green' for Mental Health Awareness Week. There is not a donation, we just ask for students to wear something green! Whether you choose to go all out and dress in green from head to toe, or simply wear one of our green ribbon pin badges to show your solidarity with people experiencing poor mental health, you will be raising awareness and helping achieve good mental health for all.

PE Kit for Summer

To support students in their PE lessons when it is warm and sunny, please see the PE kit list below:

- Plain black or white shorts / jogging bottoms
- Plain or St Martins logoed black or white t-shirt (NO FOOTBALL SHIRTS)
- Comfortable footwear
- Sunglasses (optional)

Students are expected to come to school dressed in their uniforms, and will change before and after PE. Bespoke arrangement can of course be made via your class teacher if needed, however, as a school, we are grateful for your support in encouraging good routine in the development of your child's health and hygiene. Additionally, making sure that your child has a water bottle in school will support them as they can have water breaks during their PE lesson.

School Uniform Reminder

As we have shared about PE kit, I thought it would also be helpful to remind our community about our school uniform policy. At St Martins School, we do our utmost to ensure all students are dressed correctly as we believe that it promotes pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging within the student body. We are always happy to work with parents and families where our uniform policy doesn't support the needs of our students (e.g. sensory needs).

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Boys:

- White or black polo shirt or round neck shirt
- Plain black round necked sweat shirt or a St Martins logoed hoodie NO embroidered sweatshirts e.g. Nike/Adidas
- Plain black trousers/jogging bottoms or plain black shorts – NO jeans
- All black shoes/trainers – NO other colours to be on the shoes/trainers

Girls:

- White or black polo shirt or round neck shirt
- Plain black round necked sweatshirt or a St Martins logoed hoodie - NO embroidered sweatshirts e.g. Nike/Adidas
- Plain black trousers/jogging bottoms, black/grey skirt or black knee length shorts – NO jeans
- Plain black or grey tights/leggings
- All black shoes/trainers – No other colours to be on the shoes/trainers

More details regarding uniform, including our stockist, Uniform Direct, can be found here on our website: <https://www.stmartinsschoolderby.co.uk/parents/uniform-and-pe-kit> If you are planning on purchasing more uniform from Uniform Direct for September, there are some useful dates for when it is best to buy.

Shaw Education Trust Parent Carer Survey Reminder

The latest Shaw Education Trust survey recently opened, and will be open until Friday 7th June. Please can I encourage you to share your feedback via the survey, to help us know what we are doing well and areas that we can improve on. Your views are valuable to us, and we thank you for sharing them. Please find a link to the survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SpecialSchoolParentSurveyTerm32024>

Umbrella Event – half term

Umbrella are hosting a Family Fun Event at The Quad on Tuesday 28th May. Please see the flyer later in the update.

With best wishes,



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Family Fun

The Quad | Market Place | Cathedral Quarter
Derby DE1 3AS

Film Morning At The Quad

Enjoy an exclusive
relaxed Umbrella
viewing of 'Scary Girl'

Tuesday 28th May

10am Screening

£5 per person

To Book / Further Information:

<https://forms.office.com/e/r4h5tXTfBK>

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Term Dates for Academic Year 2023/2024

Summer Term

School Breaks up for Half Term - Friday 24th May
School Starts Back – Monday 3rd June
INSET Day – Monday 1st July
School Breaks up for Summer – Tuesday 23rd July

Term Dates for Academic Year 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024

INSET Day – Wednesday 4th September
School Starts for the new Academic Year – Thursday 5th September
School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 25th October
INSET Day – Monday 4th November
School Starts Back – Tuesday 5th November
School Breaks up for Christmas – Friday 20th December

Spring Term 2025

School Starts Back – Monday 6th January 2025
School Breaks up for Half Term – Thursday 13th February
INSET Day – Friday 14th February
School Starts Back – Monday 24th February
School Breaks up for Easter – Friday 4th April

Summer Term 2025

Bank Holiday – Monday 21st April
INSET Day – Tuesday 22nd April
School Starts Back – Wednesday 23rd April
Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May
School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 23rd May
School Starts Back – Monday 2nd June
School Breaks up for Summer – Wednesday 23rd July
INSET Day – Thursday 24th July

St Martins follows Derby City Council's term dates. Dates for next year can be found on their website – please follow the link for these - <https://derby.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/term-holiday-dates/#>

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