

13th June 2025

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 13/06/25

I hope this update finds you well. It's been great to enjoy some warmer weather over the past week, and with next week also promising to be quite pleasant, please can I encourage you to provide sun cream for your child if they spend time in the sunshine on their breaks at school. Sun cream can be applied before school, and students can also top up during the day if they need to – please ensure any bottles are labelled and in-date.

Headteacher Recruitment Update

As you are aware, I will be taking up a new position within Esteem Multi Academy Trust from September. In preparation for this, over the last 6 weeks leaders from within our Trust (SET) have been undertaking a rigorous recruitment process to cover the Headteacher position for St Martins School going forwards, of which there was much interest.

Following the completion of this exciting process, I am extremely happy and proud to announce that Toni Beardmore will be the next Headteacher of St Martins School, starting in September.

I know that you will be equally as pleased and excited to celebrate in this achievement and next chapter for our fantastic school. As you will expect, we plan for a smooth transition, and we are grateful for your support in working with us to ensure St Martins continues to grow and develop from strength to strength.

Stakeholder Consultation for 6th Form Move

Earlier this week we shared a consultation with all the stakeholders of St Martins School regarding a proposed significant change to the location of the 6th Form. As you may be aware, Horizons 6th Form moved to Irongate from the Market Hall ahead of its' redevelopment back in 2021. The building at Irongate has served us well over the years, although due to the nature of such an old building, it was not possible to make it as accessible as we would have liked. Through discussions with Derby City Council, we became aware of an opportunity to move into Friar Gate Studios, and we feel that this relocation will provide the students with a more modern infrastructure, improved accessibility, capacity to grow and develop the provision, as well as closer proximity to other educational and community services that can support our students' development and transition into adulthood.

Pending approval of our plans, we would like to welcome our students to Friar Gate Studios from September 2025 and hope to build in a transition visit to the site ahead of the summer holiday for current Horizons students and those due to start in September. Information about this will be shared via pastoral staff once we gain approval.

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The consultation period is open from now until 1st July 2025 – we welcome any comments, questions, or concerns you may have about the proposed relocation.

Please submit your responses by:

- Email: sabrina.hobbs@stmartins.set.org
- Post: St Martins School, The Derwent Campus, Bracknell Drive, Alvaston, Derby, DE24 0BT

Year 11 and Year 13 End of Year Reports

Year 11 and Year 13 reports have been given to students to take home today. If you have not received a copy, please contact the school office. We look forward to seeing you at the Year 11 and Year 13 Parent Carer Evening on Tuesday 17th June.

HPV Vaccinations – Year 8 – Message from Derbyshire School Aged Immunisation Service

The school age immunisation team will be delivering the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine at St Martins School on **Friday 27th June 2025**. The HPV vaccine protects against many genital-based cancers and warts. It also protects against mouth, throat, head and neck cancers caused by Human Papillomavirus. If you have any questions, you can contact us on the number below.

Please complete the link in the below within one week of receipt to give consent. If you do not wish your child to have the immunisations, please indicate this on the link.
<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/8d61dd97>

Please be aware that if we do not receive completed consent forms, each young person will be assessed on an individual basis by a healthcare professional to self-consent and if deemed Gillick competent offered the vaccinations on the day. If your child is outstanding their MMR vaccination and you would like for them to receive this vaccination, please contact our office on 0333 3583 397 **option 5**

[MMR \(measles, mumps and rubella\) vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Immunisation Team on 0333 3583 397 **option 5**

With best wishes for the weekend,

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Term Dates for Academic Year 2024/2025

Summer Term 2025

School Starts Back – Monday 2nd June

School Breaks up for Summer – Wednesday 23rd July

INSET Day – Thursday 24th July

Term Dates for Academic Year 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

INSET Day – Thursday 4th September

INSET Day – Friday 5th September

School Starts for the new Academic Year – Monday 8th September

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 24th October

School Starts Back – Monday 3rd November

School Breaks up for Christmas – Friday 19th December

Spring Term 2026

INSET Day – Monday 5th January 2026

School Starts Back – Tuesday 6th January

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 13th February

School Starts Back – Monday 23rd February

School Breaks up for Easter – Friday 27th March

Summer Term 2026

School Starts Back – Monday 13th April

INSET Day – Friday 1st May

Bank Holiday – Monday 4th May

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 22nd May

School Starts Back – Monday 1st June

INSET Day – Monday 29th June

School Breaks up for Summer – Thursday 23rd 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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