



15th March 2024

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 15/03/24

I hope this update finds you well. As the Easter holiday is fast approaching, I wanted to make you aware of the local offer for the Holiday Activity Fund (HAF) which takes place over the Easter holiday. Please take a look at the information below and the flyers attached.

Easter Holiday Fund Activities

Please see information for sessions at Moorways Sports Village – there is a SEND session for students aged 5-12, as well as Swim and Gym sessions for students aged 12-16. To take part in these activities, students must be in receipt of Free School Meals and have a Derby HAF code.

To find out more about the Derby HAF, and other activities on offer, please visit - https://www.derby.gov.uk/education-and-learning/extra-curricular-activities/derby-haf/activities-providers/

If you think that your child could be eligible for Free School Meals, please find out more on our website: https://www.stmartinsschoolderby.co.uk/parents/school-meals

Farewell

Today, we say farewell to Fotini Mansfield. Fotini has been a part of the St Martins family since October 2015, and has worked as a Teaching Assistant and then honed her skills to train as a Teacher. Fotini has a talent for creating visual learning aids, and has worked closely with the Speech and Language team over the years. Fotini is moving to a different Specialist Secondary School to work as a Teacher and complete the final stages of her Teacher training. We wish Fotini the very best for her next steps, and look forward to hearing about her future successes. Thank you, Fotini!

Welcome

Welcome back to Chris Hardwick who has returned to St Martins to teach two days a week for the rest of the academic year. Chris worked at St Martins until last summer and has been missed.

On Monday, our new Key Stage 4 Lead, Mark Hatton, will start. Mark has previously worked at other secondary schools in Derby city in a range of teaching and





leadership roles. We are looking forward to Mark joining our team. This change will mean that Claire Greaves is no longer Key Stage 4 Lead but remains as the Faculty Lead for Culture and Diversity. Thank you to Claire for stepping up to support the department over the last term.

Weekly SEND Hub Creative Workshops

Hubbub are hosting free weekly workshops for students aged 13-18 who want to develop their skills in dance, movement, drama, music and percussion. The sessions take place every Thursday during term time, from 4:30pm-6:30pm. To find out more, please see the poster further in the update.

I trust that you will find this information useful.

Have a great weekend,



Sabrina Hobbs
Executive Headteacher



SEND HUB Creative Workshops

FREE weekly workshops in dance and movement, drama, music and percussion

Open to learning disabled, neurodivergent and Autistic young people aged 13–18 who are keen to develop their skills

Every Thursday 4.30 - 6.30 pm during term time until July 2024

Workshops are all FREE, funded by the CANVAS project







Where?

Our Hubbub home and new SEND inclusive hub



at Deda 19 Chapel Street Derby DEI 3GU

Booking essential



01332 374 665



info@hubbubtheatre.org



HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME (HAF)

SEND SESSION

FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 - 12 YEARS OLD

Wednesday 3rd April at Moorways Sports Village

Exclusively for children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities, to attend with a parent or carer.

10.30am - 11.30am Sensory swimming 12pm - 1.30pm Inclusive soft play

A meal will be provided for each child, which can be chosen from a menu sent to the parent/carer in advance.

Scan the QR code to book, if you have any questions, please email MoorwaysSV@everyoneactive.com or call 01332 414310 to book your child's place.

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME (HAF)

FREE* GYM AND SWIM

FOR 12 - 16 YEAR OLDS

Monday 1st - Sunday 14th April at Moorways Sports Village

Swimming sessions include:

Family • Public • Disco • Sensory • Lane Swimming Free meal vouchers with each booking to be redeemed at the Café at Moorways Sports Village.



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Scan the QR code to book, if you have any questions, please email MoorwaysSV@everyoneactive.com or call 01332 414310 to book your child's place.

*Under 16s will need to complete a Junior Gym induction before using the facilities. Please note the memberships and vouchers do not include access to the Water Park.

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Term Dates for Academic Year 2023/2024

Autumn Term

INSET Day – Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September

School Starts for the new Academic Year – Wednesday 6th September

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 27th October

School Starts Back – Monday 6th November

School Breaks up for Christmas – Friday 22nd December

Spring Term

School Starts Back - Monday 8th January 2024

School Breaks up for Half Term – Thursday 15th February

INSET Day – Friday 16th February

School Starts Back – Monday 26th February

School Breaks up for Easter – Thursday 28th March

Summer Term

INSET Day – Monday 15th April

School Starts Back – Tuesday 16th April

Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May

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

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/#