
16th January 2026

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 16/01/26

I hope this update finds you well. Thank you again for your support with the school closure on Friday last week – it was not an easy decision to close our doors due to the snow, and the first time that school has closed because of the weather in 8 years. Fingers crossed for brighter and better days ahead!

Highlights from 2025!

We've compiled some social media highlights from 2025 over the next few pages. We enjoy sharing what we get up to, and hope that you enjoy it too! Please let us know if there's anything you'd like featured. A longer compilation of 2025 is on our social media channels:

Facebook - [St. Martins School Facebook](#) Instagram - [St. Martins School Instagram](#)

New Academy Councillors

I am pleased to let you know that we have two new Academy Councillors. Sammy Thompson has become a Staff Councillor, and Emma Varney who works at a local school is now a Co-Opted Councillor. We still have a vacancy for a Parent Carer Councillor – please get in touch if you would like to get involved.

Parent Carer Evening

Daniel Millward and other colleagues from Derby College will be at the Parent Carer Evening on 3rd February from 3pm-6pm. They will have a stand to talk to Year 11 and Year 10 Parent Carers about their next steps, course offers and any general questions regarding transition.

We're Hiring!

St Martins are looking for a Preparing for Adulthood Advisor to play a key role in supporting students at crucial transition points, particularly Year 11 and Year 13 leavers, ensuring that every young person has the guidance, opportunities, and support they need to move confidently into further education, training, or employment. The advert closes on Thursday 22nd January at 9:00am. More details can be found here: <https://stmartinsschoolderby.schoolrecruiter.com/>

With best wishes,

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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

LETS LOOK BACK THROUGH OUR
SOCIALS IN 2025 AT ST. MARTINS
SCHOOL, WHAT A YEAR!



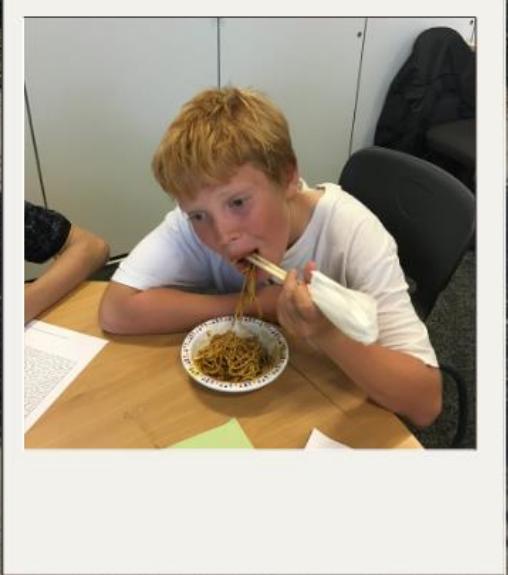
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LAST YEAR'S HIGHLIGHTS

ACROSS ST. MARTINS SOCIAL
MEDIA CHANNELS WE HAVE PUT
OUT OVER 100 POSTS!



OUR MOST VIEWED POSTS OF 2025



KS3TV visit to the Derbion (9,663 views), Class JG saying goodbye to Alice for maternity leave (6,635 views), Oct half term round up (4,802 views), Mini Monster marathon (4,729 views)

THE PEOPLE WHO MADE IT SPECIAL



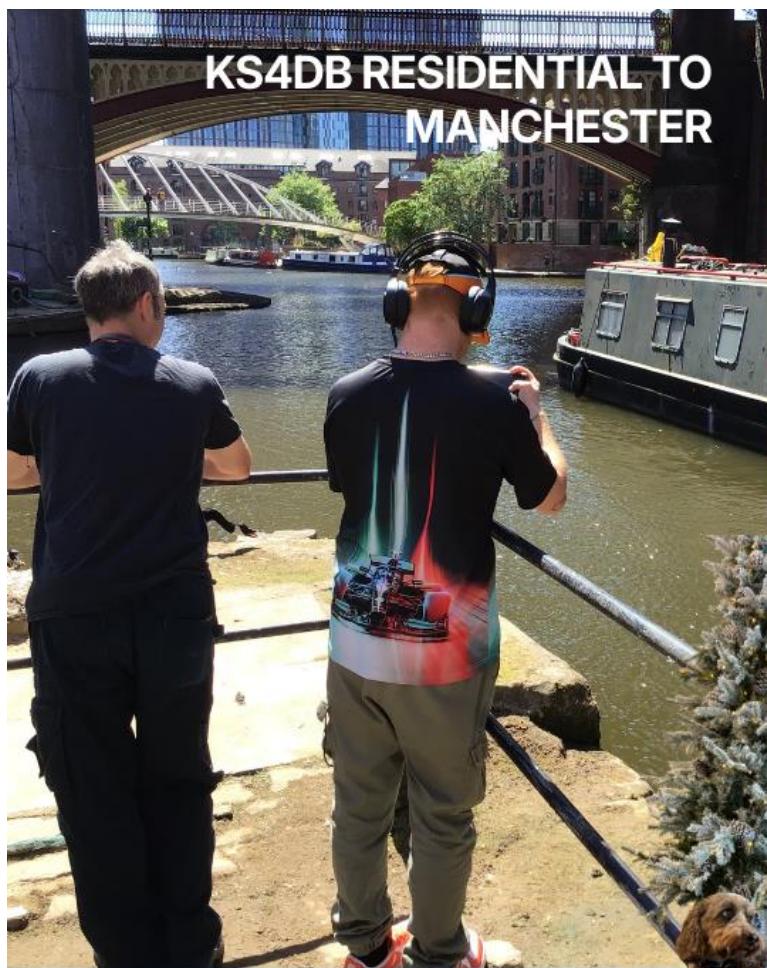
STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



YEAR 11 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

01.07.2025

KS4DB RESIDENTIAL TO
MANCHESTER



KS4ZA RESIDENTIAL
TO CHESTER



DUKE OF EDINBURGH



SET'S MARCH
IN MARCH CAMPAIGN



Dates for your Diaries

Date	Event	Details
Tuesday 3 rd February from 3pm-6pm Wednesday 4 th February from 3pm-4pm	Parent Carer Evening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Stage 3 – Pastoral • Key Stage 4 – Pastoral and Subject Teachers • Key Stage 5 - Pastoral 	Letters have been sent home – please get in touch with school if you have not received a copy!

Term Dates 2025/2026

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
School Breaks up for Summer – Wednesday 22nd July
 INSET Day – 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/#>

Social Media Links

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