



17th April 2026

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 17/04/26

I hope this update finds you well and rested after the Easter break. We are now in the Summer Term, and there is lots to look forward to including more residentials, reward trips, Leavers and Prom, Sports Day and Prize Day.

Over the half term, students in transition groups will start to make transition preparations - those moving from Key Stage 3-Key Stage 4, and those moving up to Key Stage 5 too. More information regarding transition and other activities including Options Day will be shared with Parent Carers soon.

This week's update includes 'dates for your diaries' for events to the end of the school year, as well as the planned Term and INSET days for the next academic year. We hope you find this information useful for your own planning.

Save the Date

We've been working on planning something special for our whole school community to get involved in and are delighted to announce that this summer we will be hosting 'Martinfest' on Friday 17th July. Please see the poster for more information! Further details will follow in due course.

Autism Acceptance Month

April is Autism Acceptance Month – please find information from Derby City Council attached separately to the update. Activities will be taking place across school over the next couple of weeks to mark this.

Welcome

This week we have welcomed Caroline Hibbs as a Classroom Assistant, and Nicole Ravenhill as a Midday Supervisor. Nicole will work alongside the Wellbeing Team to facilitate lunchtime activities for students. I hope you will join with me to welcome them to our St Martins family!

Emily Hallam has returned to St Martins this week following her maternity leave. It's great to have her back!

Best wishes,

Toni Beardmore
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MARTIN FEST '26

FRIDAY 17TH JULY

10:00AM – 2:00PM

**LIVE MUSIC | WORKSHOPS | LIVE
PERFORMANCES**

**ST MARTINS SCHOOL, BRACKNELL
DRIVE, DE24 0BT**

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW...

Dates for your diaries:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Information</u>
Friday 1 st May	INSET Day	School closed to all students.
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed.
Tuesday 5 th May	Exams start for students in relevant year groups	Letters have been sent home.
Friday 8 th May	Options Taster Day	Information will be sent to students in Year 9 and Yer 10.
Tuesday 12 th May	Options Evening	Parent Carers will be invited to attend along with students in Year 9 and Year 10. Information will be sent home.
Friday 22 nd May	Break up for Half Term	
Monday 1 st June	Students return to school	
Tuesday 16 th June	Year 11 and Year 13 Parent Carer Evening	Parent Carers invited – information will be sent home.
Friday 26 th June	Last day for Year 11 and Year 13 students, Prom	Information will be sent home regarding the Year 11 Leavers' Assembly and Prom.
Wednesday 1 st July	Sports Day	Parent Carers invited – information will be sent home.
Tuesday 7 th , Wednesday 8 th and Thursday 9 th July	'Moving-up' and city-wide transition	Students spend time in their September pastoral groups, and the new Year 7 students will be in school.
Tuesday 14 th July	Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 Parent Carer Evening	Parent Carers invited – information will be sent home.
Friday 17 th July	Martifest!	Parent Carers invited – information will be sent home.
Tuesday 21 st July	Prize Day	Parent Carers of winners invited. Information will be sent home.
Wednesday 22 nd July	Students break up for Summer.	

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Term Dates 2025/2026

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

Term Dates for Academic Year 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026

INSET Day – Friday 4th September

School Starts for the new Academic Year – Monday 7th September

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 23rd October

INSET Day – Monday 2nd November

School Starts Back – Tuesday 3rd November

INSET Day – Friday 27th November

School Breaks up for Christmas – Friday 18th December

Spring Term 2027

School Starts Back – Monday 4th January 2027

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 12th February

School Starts Back – Monday 22nd February

School Breaks up for Easter – Thursday 25th March

Summer Term 2027

School Starts Back – Monday 12th April

Bank Holiday – Monday 3rd May

INSET Day – Tuesday 4th May

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 28th May

School Starts Back – Monday 7th June

School Breaks up for Summer – Friday 23rd July

INSET Day – Monday 26th 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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