



19th January 2024

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 19/01/24

I hope this update finds you well. This week's update has information on the upcoming Parent Carer Evening, School Photographs and Options.

Parent Carer Evening

Parent Carer Evening is taking place on Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st January – this is a great chance for you to check in with the pastoral team regarding your young person's progress – both academically and pastorally.

- Key Stage 3 students have an appointment with their pastoral team.
- Key Stage 4 students are able to have up to 5 appointments with their pastoral team and those who teach them Maths, English, Science, Computing, PE, PSHE and Global Citizenship.
- Key Stage 5 students have an appointment with their pastoral team.

Please get in touch if you have not received your letter. I look forward to seeing you there.

School Photographs

Tempest Photography were in school on Thursday 18th January to take individual photographs of students, and Martin! Due to a printing fault, students were not able to take their proof and order form home. We are expecting these to arrive at school next week and will send these home with students. Once you have received your proof and order form, you have 2 weeks to order your photograph using the form, or you can go online and order using the code on the proof.

Options – Transition to Key Stage 4

Students in Year 9 will be moving on up to Year 10 and Key Stage 4 in September. As this transition point gets closer, an Options Booklet is sent home for you to view together. On Friday 10th May, an 'Options Day' takes place where students can sample and take part in the different courses on offer, and on Tuesday 14th May, an 'Options Evening' for students to attend with their Parent Carers and speak with the staff team takes place. This will also provide an opportunity to understand the differences and similarities between Key Stages to help you prepare for this milestone and change.

The Options Booklet for the current academic year is available to view on our website should you wish to start thinking about making choices. Please note that the

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courses available next year may not be the same, but the booklet should give you a flavour of what we offer. You can view the Options booklet here:

<https://www.stmartinsschoolderby.co.uk/curriculum/key-stage-4-curriculum>

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sabrina Hobbs'.

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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/#>

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