

23rd May 2025

Dear Parent Carers,

Weekly Update: 23/05/25

I hope this update finds you well. After a jam packed half term of residentials, exams and preparing for transition, I'm sure we are all ready for a restful half term break! There is always lots of behind the scenes work happening during this half term to make preparations for the next academic year including the recruitment of teachers and support staff, planning class groups and arranging timetables. The final half term will be busy with Leavers' events for those in Year 11 and Year 13, transition days for new starters, moving up days for next year's pastoral groups, days out, Sports Day, the Summer Fayre and Prize Day.



Congratulations!

The St Martins community would like to congratulate Emily Hallam on the birth of baby Albie, who came into the world earlier this week weighing 9lbs 11oz! Mum and baby are doing well at home. We wish Emily, Dean and Albie all the very best – we can't wait to meet Albie!

School Transport Update

We kindly remind all parent carers to treat school and transport staff with courtesy and respect at all times. Our staff are here to support your children and ensure their safety, and it's vital that all interactions remain calm and constructive. If you have any concerns or issues, please direct them to the school so they can be addressed appropriately. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Family Support

We know how important it is for families of children with additional needs to feel supported, particularly in the run up to holiday periods, when school is closed. Our Family Support Team often share with parent carers the brilliant SEND HUBS on offer for all families to access and we wanted to share the 'what's on guide' with links to the 4 hubs ran throughout Derby and Derbyshire.

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What are the SEND hubs?

These hubs are a fantastic resource, offering a welcoming space where you can get advice, meet with professionals, and connect with other families. Whether you need help navigating support services, have questions about your child's development, or just want to talk to someone who understands—the support is available.

We highly recommend taking a look to see what's on offer in their online brochure: <https://files.schudio.com/st-martins-school/files/documents/whats-on-guide-may-july-2025-web.pdf>

We have also included a flyer for a Sleep and Sensory Processing workshop which is taking place on Friday 6th June at the Becket Family Hub.

Thank you all for your support over the half term. Your ongoing efforts and support as Parent Carers is very much appreciated.

We wish you an enjoyable break and look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 2nd June.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sabrina Hobbs', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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StartforLife

Sleep and Sensory Processing

for parents\carers of children aged 0-19
who are or may be neurodiverse.

To sleep well, we need to feel calm, safe, and comfortable. Children and young people with sensory differences are often in a heightened state of anxiety and overwhelm before they settle, and then discomfort can stop them sleeping (and wake them up!).

Nickie will explain how sensory differences affect sleep and how you can help.

Friday 6 June, 12:30-3pm

Becket Family Hub, 35 Stockbrook Street, Derby DE22 3WR

To book your place:

Call - Jess on 01332 208175

Text - 07812 301430

MackworthMorleyFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk

For more information

click on the video link below:

[Introduction to sleep workshops - Neurodiverse/SEND](#)



Please scan for
further information



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Term Dates for Academic Year 2024/2025

Spring Term 2025

School Starts Back – Monday 6th January 2025

School Breaks up for Half Term – Thursday 13th February

INSET Day – Friday 14th February

School Starts Back – Monday 24th February

School Breaks up for Easter – Friday 4th April

Summer Term 2025

Bank Holiday – Monday 21st April

INSET Day – Tuesday 22nd April

School Starts Back – Wednesday 23rd April

Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May

School Breaks up for Half Term – Friday 23rd May

School Starts Back – Monday 2nd June

School Breaks up for Summer – Wednesday 23rd July

INSET Day – Thursday 24th 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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