



St Martin's Post

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Dear Parents,

You will know by now that Ofsted came into our school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week for a full, detailed and nuanced inspection of all areas including teaching, policy, health and safety and safeguarding. We were given just 24 hours of their arrival so we feel they absolutely saw St Martin's School as it always is. The lessons, planned events, staff and parental meetings all continued as they normally would have done.

I am unable, by law to impart their findings to you because all judgements are considered 'subject to change' until published, which is normally within 2 to 3 weeks. I will of course send you all a copy of the full report at this time. It will also be available to you all online.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my amazing staff. Your children's teachers are hard-working, truly skilled, passionate and entirely dedicated. They care for the safety, well-being and progression of each and child in their care. All our support staff, most notably, Mrs Jacobs are also second to none.

As the proprietor of our school, I am incredibly proud and thankful to call Dr Walak not only my Head Teacher but also my friend. His dedication, professionalism, hard work and drive is a testament to the rapid and strong progression within the school.

Over the past few days your children have acted, as they always do, impeccably. They are true beacons of the school, clearly demonstrating the morals, values, ethos and vision that I hold dear. I am exceptionally proud of each and every one of them. The inspectors asked me to impart their thanks to your children for their warm welcome, mature comment and kindness. One of the comments I am able to share is that many of your children told them that St Martin's School is like a family; they feel part of a warm, caring family and this fills me with immense pride and heartfelt gratitude.

My final thank you is to you, the parents. The results of the Parents View survey online was truly heart-warming. The portal is now closed but I attach a copy of the results for your information. The response to every single statement was either 'strongly agree' or 'agree'. Please pay special attention to the final question, 'would you recommend this school to a friend?' The result was a 100% resounding 'yes'. I am delighted that you feel this way. Thank you to all of you for entrusting your children to us. Thank you also for your warm wishes and encouragement over the past few days.

I look forward to sharing the findings of the full inspection immediately upon publication.

Best wishes,

Joanna Wilson

Golden Tea

This week the following children were chosen to have juice and biscuits with Dr Walak whilst looking at their books and showing him the pieces of work they are most proud of

Akshay

Ilora

Rohan J (Form 1)

Mishey

Please remember to return your Personalised Christmas card forms as soon as you can. Deadline is next Wednesday, 11th October. Thank you



This Week's Shooting Stars



- Scott: Tremendous effort in all your work
- Jacob: Designing a fantastic piece of transport out of fruit!
- Musa: Trying very hard with his decimal work
- Qua: Working so hard during his first week at St Martin's School
- Zak S: Focusing so well in Maths
- Harry: Working hard and being so positive in all lessons
- Apollonia: Constant effort to be the very best she can
- Michael: A strong desire to achieve in everything he does
- Zain: Embracing all the challenges in the classroom and always pushing himself to achieve
- Alayna: Fabulous 'listening and sounds'
- Every St Martin's Child: For your kindness, warmth , effort and progression.

