



We are delighted to announce that the summer production plans are in full swing! This will be an all singing, all dancing production done in the way only St Martin's School know how... It will be ably directed and produced by our talented new Head of Music, Mrs Malin. The vast majority of the rehearsals will be in your child's regular timetabled music lessons and in the form of a new after school club. These will not begin until next term and we will provide you with more information in due course. Every child will shine!



This Week's Shooting Stars



- Kassandra:** Always behaving sensibly and having an excellent attitude to learning
- Max W:** Always putting effort into his work
- Brooklyn:** Expressing her thoughts so beautifully in guided reading sessions
- Adam K:** Trying really hard learning his shapes
- Apollonia:** Trying really hard during Maths lessons
- Aman:** Being so enthusiastic when learning about Handa's Surprise
- Jasper:** Checking his work and listening to instruction
- Chloe:** Writing a beautiful rhyming couplet
- Form 1:** A wonderful week's work!

Golden Tea

This week, the following children will share Golden Tea with Dr Walak.

Oliver K

Alan J

Kassandra

Ali

Please be reminded that break time snacks must only consist of fruit, vegetables, crackers, cheese or similar. Sweets, crisps, chocolates etc are strictly prohibited. We respectfully ask that you adhere to this rule. Snacks of this kind are not allowed at break time and will be exchanged for fresh fruit. Thank you

We have such a wealth of talent in our school. This week we celebrated the individual achievements of JJ, Noah, Emily, Peter, Eden and Chloe. JJ loved showing the whole school his special monkey teddy who has hearing aids just like he does! Emily and Noah joined the students in school who have become published authors. What a phenomenal achievement. Peter and Chloe are karate masters! Dr Walak explained how Peter was chosen by his Sensai to represent his club in an International competition and also achieved his next belt quickly whilst being awarded certificates and a trophy. Chloe has now reached her purple belt! We all know how beautiful Eden sings – she has been recognised for her success by achieving her Grade 5 certificate with Merit. If you would like your child's achievements and successes outside of school to be recognised, please email me Joanna.wilson@stmartinsmillhill.co.uk.

Assemblies

We love to welcome parents and grandparents to our 'celebration assemblies.' You are invited to join us from 9am to watch your child's class assembly. Assembly should be finished by 9.20am approx.

Dates are as follows:

Friday, 2 nd February:	Form 4
Friday, 9 th February:	Form 2
Friday, 23 rd February:	Form 1
Friday, 2 nd March:	Reception
Friday, 9 th March:	Form 3
Monday, 12 th March:	Form 6
Friday, 16 th March:	Pre School

Some of the topics covered in our assemblies which take place on a Monday morning include –

- Working as a team
- Random acts of kindness
- Self-sacrifice
- Working hard
- Why read?
- Pride

FoSMS (Friends of St Martin's School) are a hugely dedicated group of parents who meet every half term to arrange fun events for both you and for your children. FoSMS are in the process of organising a Valentine's Day event and a parent's Supper Quiz. We are hugely appreciative of all the work they do. If you would like to get involved, please contact Sarah Smith or Simone Miller who will ensure you are made to feel very welcome.

Thank you Reps and FoSMS members!

Would your child like to buy a Valentine's Day gift for you, a grandparent, sibling or a friend? After the success of last year's Valentine's Day gift sale, FoSMS are delighted to inform you that we will be doing the same again this year – bigger and better than ever.

The gift sale will be on the last day before half term – Friday 9th February.

Look out for more information which will be sent via your class reps next week!

Spring Term 2018

Half Term: February 12th – February 16th 2018

End of Term: Friday March 23rd 2018

Summer Term 2018

Return to School: Tuesday 17th April 2018

Half Term: May 28th – June 1st 2018

End of Term: Friday July 13th 2018

Autumn Term 2018

Return to School: Tuesday 11th September 2018

Half Term: October 22nd – October 26th 2018

End of Term: 15th December 2018

We understand that in this digital age some of your children may own a mobile phone or tablet. Please be reminded that they are not allowed in school. This is due to huge safeguarding issues which can arise. Any mobile phones or tablets found in school will be confiscated and a yellow letter sent home. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

***** SAVE THE DATE *****

FoSMS Supper Quiz

Saturday 12th May from 8pm

After last year's sell out quiz FoSMS are delighted to announce the date of this year's Supper Quiz

Start planning your tables!!

Head Lice checks

Your child's next head lice checks will be on

Wednesday 31st January

The nurse has requested that, wherever possible, hair is in a natural state, without creams on these days.

Thank you

Please do 'like' our Facebook page or follow us on Twitter. There are regular posts showing what your children have been learning and also provides important reminders. If you are not on social media, you can still stay up to date by checking our website which includes a live feed.