



# St Martin's Post

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Educating your child to the highest possible standard is our absolute priority. It is our job to ensure they are fully prepared educationally, socially and emotionally for their senior school years. It is also our immense responsibility and pleasure to ensure they become well-rounded, thoughtful and kind young adults. We teach them to respect all. We teach them to be kind, considerate and confident young adults. We instil a love and appreciation of the arts and of culture. We teach that we are all immensely lucky. We have opportunities that the majority of other children in the world simply don't have; they must take advantage of every opportunity and strive to be the best they can be.

One way in which we can achieve these goals is to convey the importance of charity; giving to those less lucky than themselves. On September 9<sup>th</sup> 2015, Mrs Shaw's friend's son, Luke, was diagnosed with leukaemia. We decided that as a school community we wanted to help. We arranged a cake sale to support the Elephant Ward at Great Ormond Street Hospital which is where Luke was being treated. Your children raised £281.52 by bringing in cakes and selling them to the other children at break time.

This week, we received the following message from Luke's mum, 'You guys are amazing. Thanks to people like you Great Ormond Street Hospital were able to provide outstanding care for our baby and have been able to do such incredible research to find him the right medicine to make him feel better. Last week we went on our first holiday to the seaside and I am delighted to say he is now in remission. Thank you to all the children at St Martin's School.'

We would love to hold another cake sale in school this term. Do you know of an equally deserving charity we could raise funds for? Please do get in touch and let me know. Thank you, [joanna.wilson@stmartinmillhill.co.uk](mailto:joanna.wilson@stmartinmillhill.co.uk)

**A message from Mrs Doherty** Form Three love reading at school and at home. To encourage all the children to remember to read even more diligently with their parents, I have organised a little competition. Every time they read at home and get their reading record book signed, they will collect a bead. The first person to collect 20 beads will win a prize! Good luck Year 3!!

## Christmas at St Martin's

**\*\*Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm \*\***

Our Christmas Concert – all Parents welcome

Christmas Lunch & Fun Day Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Pantomime Trip (whole school) 6<sup>th</sup> December

FoSMS Children's Christmas Party: December 9<sup>th</sup> (after school)

**Lots more information to come but please 'Save the Dates'!**

**Thank you** A big thank you to Mr and Mrs Hassan who on Thursday came into school to speak to the Pre School and Reception children about The Islamic New Year, which this year falls on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. The children were fascinated to learn more about the Muslim faith and the way the New Year is celebrated. An extra big thank you for the delicious traditional food and kind gifts. Wishing our Muslim friends, families and neighbours a very Happy New Year.

## Autumn Term 2016

Half Term Break: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Term Ends: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

## Spring Term 2017

Return to School: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Half Term Break: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Term Ends: Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

## Summer Term 2017

Return to School: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Half Term Break: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017

Term Ends: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017

## Autumn Term 2017

Return to School Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017

# You are invited to our Harvest Celebration

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

At 2.15pm

At St Michael's and All Angels Church

9 Flower Lane, Mill Hill NW7 2JA

We will be collecting food donations for Age Concern. Kindly bring in your donation to school the day before, or perishable items on the day. Individual items or hampers are always both greatly appreciated by Age Concern.

Pre School – all children are invited to stay all day (no extra charge.) Please bring a packed lunch if you do not normally stay for lunch on Thursdays. The children will be walked around to the church by their teachers; no need to collect early! Enjoy the concert and collect afterwards.. Estimated time of completion 3.15pm

## Who's Who at St Martin's?

	Secretary / Administrator	Mrs M. Jacobs
Head Teacher:	Mrs A. Wilson	Head of Maths: Mrs S. Shonn
Deputy Head:	Dr J. Walak	Head of Modern Languages: Mrs S. Boxer
Bursar:	Mrs J. Wilson	Latin Teacher: Mr D. Guyster
Pre School Teacher:	Mrs D Yaacov – Hai	Head of Music: Mr A. Gunning
Pre School Assistant:	Mrs A. Kramer	Piano Teachers: Mr A. Gunning and
Reception Teacher	Mrs Shaw	Miss J. Davies
Reception Assistant:	Mrs S. Vietro	Trumpet / Drums Teacher: Mr C. Webster
Year 1 Form Teacher:	Mrs D. Dreliszek	Musical Theatre Teacher: Miss M. Gellert
Year 2 Form Teacher:	Mr D. Guyster	Violin Teacher: Ms N. Blakey
Year 3 Form Teacher:	Mrs C. Doherty	Guitar Teacher: Mr J. Sopol
Year 4 Form Teacher:	Mrs A. Wilson	Ballet Teacher: Miss L. Harding
Year 5 Form Teacher:	Dr J. Walak	Flute Teacher: Miss J. Davies
Year 6 Form Teacher:	Miss P. Palmer	Classical Singing: Miss J. Davies
Football Coaches:	Aaron Woodhouse (Thursday) and Callum Anderson (Friday) <a href="http://www.nonstopaction.co.uk">www.nonstopaction.co.uk</a>	
Reading Helpers:	Mrs J. Rochman, Mrs B. Simone, Mr D. Saunders	
Chefs / Playground Supervisors:	Mrs J. Hill and Mrs J. Rees	