

Friendship

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## St Martin's C of E (Voluntary Aided) Primary School

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I continue to settle in to life at St Martin's, I have been amazed by the people I have met and the wonderful community that we are part of; it has been a real pleasure to get to know some of you a little better. If we haven't yet had the chance to meet, please do come and say hello, or drop by the office, I am keen to get to know all of our families, as we work together to support your children.

I have been amazed by the wealth of support from volunteers for both trips and weekly reading, and I must say a big thank you to everyone that has come in to support the school, we are so blessed to have you!

I must also extend my thanks to all who attended Parents' Evening this week, it was wonderful to see so many of you and welcome you into the school. It was incredibly helpful to gather your feedback on communication, so thank you if you completed our survey, we will use this to help plan how we develop systems over the coming months. If you were unable to attend Parents' Evening, please do get in touch and book to see your class teacher, you can do this by contacting us on the email or phone number above.

Finally, I'm very excited to let you know that we have a new website being built, which is due to be launched in the New Year; we hope this will help improve our communication with you and give you plenty of relevant and up-to-date information.

Best wishes,

Mrs Becky McManus  
Headteacher

***Don't Forget...***

**Coffee and Cake with Mrs McManus**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November

8.45am – 9.45am

2.20pm – 3.20pm



This is an informal opportunity to drop in  
& say hello, while enjoying some cake!

## Dates for the diary

Date	What	Where and When
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photos	During the school day
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Coffee and Cake with Mrs McManus	8.45am – 9.45am 2.20pm – 3.20pm  Enter via playground gate, coffee and cake will be signposted in the pod.
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	New to Reception 2023 Open Morning	10am – Call the office to book
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Flu Vaccines	During the school day
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Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)	£1 donation to wear a Christmas jumper
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	School Nativity - EYFS, Year 1, Year 2	2pm – Letter to follow
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch	During the school day
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	School Nativity - EYFS, Year 1, Year 2	2pm – Letter to follow
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Church Christmas Service	Details and time TBC
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term	3.15pm – Collection as usual
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	INSET day	No children in school
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring Term begins (All children return)	8.40am

## Absence

In order to keep our children safe, it is essential that we are aware of your child's absence and the reason for this by no later than 9am; this can be on our absence line, by telephoning the school office on 01722 554300, or via email [admin@st-martins.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-martins.wilts.sch.uk)

## Remembrance Day



On the 11th November, the whole school came together to commemorate Remembrance Day, to remember those who have lost their lives in the war. All children and staff gathered together to mark the occasion and this was done both thoughtfully and respectfully. I must extend a big thank you to Mrs Morland and Year 6, who made a poppy wreath on behalf of the school, which was laid at the War Memorial in Salisbury.

## School Games

On Wednesday 16th November, our Y5 Hockey team attended a tournament at the Salisbury and South Wilts Sports Club. The children played five other schools, they worked really well as a team and were a credit to our school, well done!

