

St Martin's Newsletter



AUTUMN TERM - Friday 6th December

Christmas Accessories

Thank you for all following the uniform rules during this festive period – as a reward we are allowing 'dress down' Thursdays until we break up. Children will be allowed to wear festive bobbles, earrings and badges without losing their uniform raffle ticket.



St Martin's Stars

Well done to everyone who got a certificate this week.

Purple Tie certificates are given for children who embody our rules of being Kind Respectful and Responsible.

Nursery: Star-	Arlo L
Value-	Isla S
YEAR R: Star-	Albie C
Purple tie-	Cody S
Value-	Harry S
YEAR 1: Star-	Carolyn J
Purple tie-	Ava-Grace C
Value-	Ellenor MK
YEAR 2: Star-	Kyra M
Purple tie-	Kingsley N
Value-	Blake B
YEAR 3: Star-	Vlad I
Purple tie-	Benji C
Value-	Elsie C
YEAR 4: Star-	Pennie S
Purple tie-	Evie S
Value-	Quie-Andrew D
YEAR 5: Star-	Frankie C
Purple tie-	Zachary G
Value-	Blossom J
YEAR 6: Star-	Joshua B
Purple tie-	Gabielle M
Value-	Harrison C

Elf Run

The children will be taking part in an 'Elf Run' to raise money for MWL NHS Charity on **Thursday 19th December**. Every class will be taking part and completing laps of the playground according to age –

EYFS - 5 laps doing a variety of moves i.e. skipping, jumping, walking, tip toeing and hopping.

KS1 - 10 laps, the same as above.

LKS2 - 15 laps jogging.

UKS2 - as many laps in 10 minutes walking or jogging.

Elf Ears cost **£1** (payment on the gateway.)

Children will be bringing home a sponsor sheet or alternatively you can donate using the Just Giving Page:

<https://mwlnhscharity.enthuse.com/pf/stmartinsruncorn>

and all money raised will go to the charity.

Christmas Events

Tuesday 10th December 10am: EYFS

Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December 1.30pm: KS1

Christmas Performance

Friday 13th December: Christmas Dinner
– Christmas Jumpers/Own clothes

Monday 16th December: Whole School
Panto at The Brindley

Tuesday 17th December 1.30pm: KS2

Christmas Performance

Friday 20th December:

Christmas Parties – Own clothes

School finishes at **1.30pm** for Christmas break

Raffle tickets for our annual Christmas hampers and selection boxes will be on sale from **Monday** and can be purchased on the School Gateway.

Attendance

Year R - 93% 4 Lates

Year 1 - 88% 4 Lates

Year 2 - 93% 6 Lates

Year 3 - 96% 11 Lates

Year 4 - 98% 3 Lates

Year 5 - 90% 12 Lates

Year 6 - 88% 4 Lates

5 Classes with less than 10 lates

Well done to year R, this weeks Dojo Champs

Anyone who comes into school after 8:50am is marked as late.

Please try to be an attendance



Attendance

Even as we approach Christmas, we have managed to keep attendance above 90% at 92.7%.

Thank you for your continuing support 😊.

Thank you

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word is a resource for parents to use when discussing the [weekly Gospel's](#) with their families.

Safety Advice

This guide safety guide offers 12 [social media safety tips](#) for children, including declining friend requests from strangers, blocking online bullies and not sharing personal information with people you don't know.



12 Social Media Online Safety Tips

FOR CHILDREN WITH NEW DEVICES

With Christmas only a few weeks away, many of you will be using social media to share your excitement with friends and family. Being active on social media is a great way to show others how much fun you're having, but it's important that you know how to use these apps safely and securely so that bad things don't happen. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that your personal information stays private, your postings are positive and that your social media use overall is responsible, healthy and most of all enjoyable.

1 DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS

Make sure that you set your profile to private so that people you don't know can't find you online. Always tell a trusted adult if a stranger or somebody you don't know sends you a message or a friend request.



2 NEVER SHARE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW

Keep your personal information personal. Sometime people online aren't always who they say they are and might ask you to share things that you don't feel comfortable sharing.

3 DON'T SHARE EMBARRASSING PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF OTHERS ONLINE

This could really upset them and could get you into a lot of trouble. Always think twice before posting anything on social media and treat people online as you would in real-life.



4 NEVER SEND NAKED PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO OTHERS

This is illegal if you are under 18 and you could get into trouble with the Police. If you are being pressured by someone, always say no and tell a trusted adult. Even if you think it is innocent fun, the photo could be shared with other people and you won't be able to control who else sees it.



5 CREATE A POSITIVE ONLINE REPUTATION

Always be kind and polite when posting comments on social media and only upload pictures and videos of things you are proud of. This forms part of your digital footprint. Everything you do online can be tracked and monitored and could affect what people think of you in real-life if it is negative.



6 LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME

Social media can be addictive, and it is easy to keep checking newsfeeds or your notifications every 5 minutes which can affect your behaviour and stop you from doing other things. Remember to only use your phone at certain times of the day, turn notifications off at bedtime and go out and have as fun as much as possible. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just what's on social media.



7 BLOCK ONLINE BULLIES

Sometimes people might say nasty things to you online or post offensive comments on your pictures or videos. If this happens, always tell a trusted adult who will help you block them from your profile and support you in taking further action.



8 REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

If you see something on social media that you don't like, offends you or upsets you, you should always report it to a trusted adult. You should also report it to the social media app who will be able to remove the content if it is against their user policy and can block the person who posted it.



9 ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO USE

Before downloading any new social media app, always check the age-rating. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain content that isn't safe for you to see.



10 ALWAYS SECURE ALL YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES WITH A PASSWORD

This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your profiles without your permission. Make sure your passwords are memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share them with your parents just in case you forget them.



11 ASK PARENTS TO SET-UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS' FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

When you download a social media app, you should always ask a trusted adult to help you set it up for the first time. This will help you control who sees what you post, who can contact you and make sure you are able to enjoy using the app safely and securely.



12 ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR TRUSTED ADULT IF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MAKING YOU UNHAPPY

Sometimes, social media can make us feel bad about ourselves or sad that we aren't the same as someone else or doing the same things as someone else. Remember, if you ever feel this way, it's really important to talk to your trusted adult(s) like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and discuss your feelings with you to help make you feel better.

