



IMPORTANT DATES:

BOOKINGS NOW BEING TAKEN for our OPEN EVENTS. Please see dates below.

Friday 22nd October ~
Term 1 finishes

Half Term ~ 25th to 29th October

31st October 2021 ~
Closing date for
Secondary School
applications (Year 6)

Monday 1st November ~
Children return for Term 2

Friday 12th November ~
Children in Need

Monday 15th November
~ Odd Socks Day

St Martin's Garden Primary School has a **Twitter** @HeadSMGP, **Facebook** and **Instagram** We will use our social media to share exciting events and our fantastic learning. Please keep any comments kind, positive and friendly. We will not use social media to communicate individually with parents, please continue to use the class email system, school email or call 01225 832112. Thank you.

INSET days/closures for 2021/2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022
Friday 18th February 2022
Monday 7th March 2022
Friday 27th May 2022 (Jubilee)
Monday 20th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start the half-term break I just wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their support over the last term which seems to have whizzed by. The school has continued to be full of joy and lots of wonderful opportunities have taken place this term from **author visits to scoot-fit**, to our **first trips out** for some year groups, **clubs, skipping workshops** and all the amazing learning linked to our **Learning Enquiries**. The children have completed their **Geography Learning Enquiries** about **Rivers and All about me** and next term there will be a quiz on **Let's Localise** to test all their knowledge.

Our **Learning Enquiries after half-term have a history theme**. Mr Bogg is our History Curriculum Leader and over the next term if you have time please do visit our website to find out more about our curriculum and the Learning Enquiries your child or children will be studying across the year. After half-term the children will be Historians and their Learning Enquiries will be **'What was Windrush?'** in Key Stage 2, **'Who were Floella, Rosa and Elizabeth?'** in Key stage 1 and in EYFS their Learning Enquiry will be **'Once upon a Time'**. I am really looking forward to seeing all their learning next term.

Today the scaffolding is finally being removed from our school which means the roofing works are nearly complete. This has taken longer than we expected and I would like to thank you for your patience with this particularly if you pick up from the Lympsham Green side of the school. It also means that our **Forest School sessions** which have been delayed this term can now start.

Next term **Forest school sessions** will take place for **Gold, Olive, Aspen, Elm and Lime Class**. A separate letter has been sent out today with more information as these sessions for some classes start on the first day back which is **Monday 1st November**.

Thank you for supporting your child or children using **Numbots and Times Table Rockstars at home**. Today we topped the leader board and the children were very excited across the school. **Mr Ford has challenged the children to remain in the top position for the rest of the year. High expectations indeed.**

Rank	Name	Mean Studio Speed (seconds / question)
1	St Martins Garden Primary School, Bath	2.87
2	Hayesfield Girls School	2.99
3	Kingswood School, Bath	3.06
4	St Mary's CofE Primary School, Timsbury	3.66

We are also sending out our **first SEND (Special, Educational, Needs and Disabilities)** Newsletter of the year alongside the Learning Week.

Mrs Horn and Mr Bogg lead on SEND across the school. They have included information about some of the interventions we use to support children across the school as well as a list of important dates in the Newsletter. These **newsletters will be sent out each half-term to see previous letters please visit our website**. If you have any **concerns around SEND** please talk to your child's teacher in the first instance and complete a parental concern form. These forms can be requested from the school office.

I have sent out a separate **letter today with information from B&NES county council regarding the growing number of cases** in the areas and how we can all help support our community at the moment. Please do take a moment to read this.

As I end this newsletter I want to **thank all the staff** at the school who have ensured the children have had a wonderful first term. As I have said previously I am extremely fortunate to work with such a dedicated and wonderful team of staff.

Have a restful half-term, Take care and keep safe!

Claire Parfitt, Head teacher

P.S We are looking for **Wellie donations** that we can use in school. So if you have any that your children have outgrown please bring to the school office. Thank you



We are taking bookings for our **OPEN EVENTS** for parents and pupils due to start school in **September 2022**.

Dates currently available:

Thursday 4th November 2021. Slots available are 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Thursday 11th November 2021. Slots available are 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Tuesday 16th November 2021. Slots available are 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Saturday 20th November 2021. Slots available are 10.00am, 11.00am and 12 noon

Thursday 2nd December 2021. Slots available are 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Tuesday 7th December 2021. Slots available are 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Please call **01225 832112** to book a convenient slot.

Please share this information with anyone who maybe interested and encourage them to come and see St Martin's Garden Primary for themselves. Thank you.

REMINDER: Covid-19 guidelines. Please the guidance below.

- **Let the school know immediately if your child has symptoms, a positive LFD or tests positive for coronavirus with a PCR test by emailing the school office School@stmartinsgarden.org.uk.** Mrs Parfitt will then contact you from a private number for more information.
- Please ensure you have all of the following information available for Mrs Parfitt or Mrs Horn to help speed up the contact tracing process:
 1. **Date of the onset of Coronavirus symptoms**
 2. **Date of the test**
 3. **Date of the result (and evidence)**
 4. **Date your child was last in school**
 5. **Details of how your child travels to school and who with**
 6. **Details of any clubs your child attends immediately before or after school e.g. Breakfast Club, Football, Tiger Marshall Arts etc.**

The DfE have noted that the email system should be **checked once a day** (We will check around midday over the weekend).

Please follow the NHS guidance (below) and government guidance on keeping schools open. Thank you.

We would kindly ask that you continue to follow the NHS guidance and **self-isolate** immediately if:

- **you have any symptoms of coronavirus (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste)**
- **you've tested positive for coronavirus – this means you have coronavirus**
- you're told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or the NHS COVID-19 app
- you arrive in the **UK from a country with a high coronavirus risk** – see GOV.UK: how to self-isolate when you travel to the UK.

Please continue to wear **face covering** while on the school site and **keep socially distanced**. We will continue to be in '**Bubbles**'.

We continue to request that parents do not stay on site and watch after school clubs. Thank you.

ST MARTIN'S GARDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
DINNER MENU 2021-2022
TERM 2 - TERM 4

Monday 1st November 2021 - Friday 8th April 2022

Meals cost £2.35 per day



01.11.21, 22.11.21, 13.12.21, 17.01.22, 07.02.22, 08.11.21, 29.11.21, 03.01.22, 24.01.22, 14.02.22, 14.03.22, 04.04.22

15.11.21, 06.12.21, 10.01.22, 31.01.22, 28.02.22, 21.03.22

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
MON	Margarita Pizza Potato Wedges Seasonal Vegetables Chocolate Cake	Vegetable Cheesy Pasta Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt	Jacket Potato Cheese, Beans, Tuna Banana Cake
TUES	Chicken Curry Vegetable Curry Rice Seasonal Vegetables Plain Shortbread	Cowboy Casserole (Sausage) Quorn (Sausage) Rice Seasonal Vegetables Cherry Biscuit	Chicken Bake Vegetable Bake Rice Seasonal Vegetables Chocolate Shortbread
WED	Roast Turkey & Stuffing Quorn Fillet Roast Potatoes, Gravy Seasonal Vegetables Chocolate Chip Cookie	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding Country Bake Roast Potatoes, Gravy Seasonal Vegetables Plain Muffin	Roast Turkey & Stuffing Quorn Fillet Roast Potatoes, Gravy Seasonal Vegetables Fruit Muffin
THURS	Meatballs Vegetable Balls Pasta Seasonal Vegetables Jelly Fish	Chicken Fusilli Vegetable Fusilli Pasta Seasonal Vegetables Cornflake Cake Fish Fingers	Pasta Bolognese Vegetable Bolognese Seasonal Vegetables Fruit Jelly Fish
FRI	Vegetarian Sausage Chips Baked Beans & Peas Ice Cream	Vegetable Nuggets Chips Baked Beans & Peas Ice Cream	Vegetarian Sausage Chips Baked Beans & Peas Ice Cream
ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY; Water or Milk & Fresh Fruit available daily. Custard may be added to Puddings			
Vegetarian Option is in bold.			

Meals Cost £2.35 per day and must be paid for in-advance, on a Monday.
Please make payment online



Keeping you and your family safe from Halloween to Bonfire night.

Halloween

- Buying a costume? Make sure it's flame-resistant and has the CE mark.  
- Making a costume? Avoid long parts and don't use flammable materials like bin liners.
- Opt for LED tea light and candles. 
- Naked flames are dangerous, keep your children away from them.

Sparklers

- Supervise children using sparklers and follow instructions on the packaging. 
- Light sparklers one at a time.
- Wear gloves and keep sparklers at arm's length.
- You can put the end of a sparkler in a carrot, making it safer to hold.
- Put used sparklers in a bucket of water.

Fireworks

- Only buy fireworks marked with the British Safety Standard: 7114 or CE safety mark. 
- Store safely in a closed box out of children's reach.
- Light fireworks at arm's length and stand well back.
- Never return to a lit firework: if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.



Stop, Drop and Roll

If your clothing catches fire, remember:

STOP where you are.



DROP to the floor.



ROLL over and over until the flames are out.



Don't forget to practise before celebrations begin.

Stay safe, stay spooky.

Follow Avon Fire & Rescue Service's Children & Young People's