



Martin News

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The newsletter for the Martin School community

Attendance Awards

Winners of this week's class awards:

Year 1 & Year 2: 2EB & 2OD with 98.7%
Year 3 & Year 4: 4SK with 100%
Year 5 & Year 6: 5GB with 99.0%

Thought for the month

What makes a good friend?



First of all, a huge thank you to the parents and carers who organised such a wonderful Eid party last Friday. It was a truly enjoyable event and we are so grateful to them for their time and generosity.



Our annual Sports Day took place on Tuesday and it was great to see so many parents and carers cheering the children on. I know you will join me in saying a huge thank you to Miss Adams and Somayeh for arranging the day and to their fantastic team of Year 10 students from Christ's College Finchley for all their help.

As you may have been aware, Wednesday was 'Thank a Teacher Day' and our lovely MHSA bought a range of treats for the staff—all very gratefully received!



Finally, our Year 3 and 4 choir will be performing at the East Finchley Festival in Cherry Tree Woods this Sunday at 2.15pm on The Community Stage. Do come and support them if you can!

Have a lovely weekend. **Ziz Chater**

This week's winners

★ Gold Stars ★

1BT - Zayn 4CP - Therapon
1CM - Mia 4SK - Noah
1LK - Dhanvi 4TH - Ruby
2CF - Sam 5AE - Archie
2EB - Amelia 5SR - Yasmin
2OD - Sammi 6BG - Samuel
3LR - Cleo 6LC - Alkedjo
3JL - Charlie
3RT - Rosie

Rights Respecting



1BT - Parker 4CP - Maisie
1CM - Daniel 4SK - Abdul
1LK - Hadi 4TH - Sam
2CF - Jack 5AE - Alexandra
2EB - Sama 5SR - Hargun
2OD - Theodora 6BG - Anna
3LR - Alexia 6LC - Fatima
3JL - Aurora
3RT - Bea

Reader of the week



1CM - Emi 4TH - Kavarli
2CF - Liam 5AE - Sophie
2OD - David 5SR - Sherry
3LR - Hazel 6BG - Amir
3JL - Valeria 6LC - Joshua
3RT - Andrew
4CP - Simon
4SK - Bar



Secret Superstar awards

Noor in 2CF, Maya in 3JL
and Kyra in 6LC

Barnet Schools Music Festival

Our names are Paloma and Lilja. We are in the Year 5 and 6 choir and on Thursday 11th June we went to the Barnet Schools Music Festival at the Art Depot. We performed in front of roughly 500 people. We were there for 8 hours and rehearsed with six other schools before the performance at 7pm. Mrs Brais said our individual song was brilliant.

It was fun and everyone enjoyed it so much. All the parents loved it and some even cried!!!

We will miss moments like this as we are soon going into secondary school. **By Paloma and Lilja**



Trauma Informed School: A 3-Part Parent Workshop



Last year Martin Primary School took part in a project to become a *trauma informed school* and we would love you to join us for a series of three relaxed, supportive sessions for parents and carers to reflect on this journey.

These sessions will help you understand how children's experiences can shape how they feel, learn and behave. You will also have time to talk, share ideas and feel more confident supporting your child.

Session 1 – Friday 26th June @ 9.30am

Led by Hannah Taylor

*An introduction to what "trauma informed" means and why it matters for children
This is a repeat of the Session with the Educational Psychologist held on 5th May 2026*

Session 2 - Friday 3rd July @ 9.30am

Led by Hannah Taylor

Watch a short video on emotion coaching from the Educational Psychology Service, followed by a chance to discuss and reflect with other parents.

Session 3 – Friday 10th July @ 9.30am

Understanding our school approach

*Explore how being trauma informed has shaped our behaviour policy, with time to look at the policy and share your thoughts.
These sessions are open to all parents and carers. No prior knowledge needed, just come along and join the conversation*

All sessions will be held in School at 9.30 to 10.30am

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us.

To book your place or find out more, please contact Cathy in the Office

Martin Nursery

We are now inviting applications for children who will be three years old by January 2027 to join our school nursery. Rated '**Outstanding**' by Ofsted, our nursery offers a fun and engaging curriculum, including weekly sessions in our wonderful Forest School. We focus on ensuring that every child enjoys a smooth and happy transition into Reception with the skills and confidence they need to thrive throughout their primary school journey.



We offer morning, afternoon and full-day places with additional wraparound care from **7.30am to 6pm** through LBL, our excellent on-site childcare provider. LBL also runs an on-site holiday club, providing families with access to up to **49 weeks of childcare each year**.

We will be running school tours throughout the term for parents and carers who would like to learn more about the nursery and the rest of the school. If you have friends or family who may be interested, please encourage them to book a visit by **calling 0208 883 1455**.

FILM NIGHT

What a great Film Night we had! The kids really enjoyed it and the parents' bar was a fantastic success. A huge thank you to everyone who helped and volunteered to make the evening happen. A special thank you goes to the staff members who stayed on after hours to support the event. Thanks to everyone's efforts, we raised a fantastic **£1,700** for the school! We really appreciate all your support!

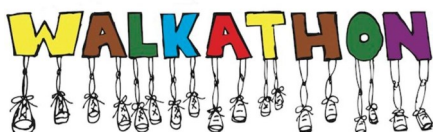
AGM

We have rescheduled our AGM to **Friday 26th June 9am**, hope to see you there!



TOMBOLA DAY

To collect prizes for our Summer Fair tombola, we are holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 26th June**. Children may wear their own clothes (Nursery children may wear fancy dress if they wish) in exchange for a tombola prize donation or a suggested £1 contribution. Thank you for your support—every donation helps make the tombola a success!



WALKATHON

Sponsor forms for this year's Walkathon on **26th June** were sent home last week. It's a great opportunity for children to challenge themselves, stay active and achieve something special. We encourage everyone to take part and seek sponsorship. Funds raised will be shared equally between Finchley Food bank and MHSA, supporting our local community and beyond.



SUMMER FAIR

We are busy planning our Summer Fair, taking place after school on **Friday 3rd July**. By now, you will have heard from your class representatives about your year group's stall and how you can get involved.

We are incredibly grateful for any support you can offer, as the entire event is run by volunteers and simply could not happen without your help.

There will be plenty to enjoy on the day, including inflatables, raffle, candy floss, BBQ, performances from our wonderful school choirs and more!

We hope to see you there and look forward to a fantastic afternoon together!

Thank you!

SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday 13th April 2026 to
Monday 20th July 2026

Half term

Monday 25th May to
Friday 29th May 2026

school closed Monday 1st June, Monday 20th
July (staff training) & Monday 4th May
(bank holiday)

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Tuesday 1st September 2026 to
Friday 18th December 2026

Half term

Monday 26th October to
Friday 30th October 2026

school closed Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd
September
(staff training)

SPRING TERM 2027

Tuesday 5th January 2027 to
Thursday 25th March 2027

Half term

Monday 15th February to
Friday 19 February 2026

school closed Monday 4th January
(staff training)

Music News

Yr 3/4 Choir: East Finchley Festival - **Sunday 21st June**

Please note that the meeting time for the choir will be **1.50pm** by the community stage for our **2.15pm** slot. Please make sure your child looks on Google Music Room and learns their songs. **Mrs Brais**



Dates for your diary



Sunday 21st June
Monday 22nd June
Thursday 25th June

Friday 26th June

Tuesday 30th June
Wednesday 1st July
Thursday 2nd July

Friday 3rd July

Tuesday 7th July
Wednesday 8th July

Thursday 9th July

Friday 10th July
Tuesday 14th July
Wednesday 15th July

Year 3/4 Choir at the East Finchley Festival

Year 4 Synagogue Trip

Year 5 trip to the Barbican

New Reception (September 2026) parent/carer meeting @ 6pm
MHSA AGM

Non Uniform day—bring in a donation for the Summer Fair
Tombola

Year 2 trip to Canvey Island

Nursery Celebrations @ 9am and 1pm

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Day

Reception to Year 5 Meet their new teacher day

New Nursery (September 2026) stay and play @ 4-5pm

Reception celebrations at 9.10am

MHSA SUMMER FAIR 3.30pm to 6pm

Annual Reports sent to parents/carers (after school)

Year 6 Leavers' show @ 9.15am to parents & carers

Year 6 Leavers' show @ 6pm to parents & carers

Year 2 celebrations at 9.10am

Year 3 celebrations at 9.10am

Year 2 Jamboree @ 5-7pm

Year 1 celebrations @ 9.10am

Year 4 celebrations @ 9.10am

Year 5 celebrations @ 9.10am

Friday 17th July - Last day of Summer Term @ 2pm

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