Martin News

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The newsletter for the Martin School community

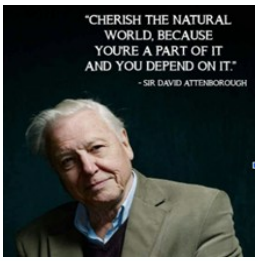
Attendance Awards

Winners of this week's class awards:

Year 1 & Year 2:	**2JL with 99.6%**
Year 3 & Year 4:	**3RT with 100%**
Year 5 & Year 6:	**5AE with 98.3%**

Thought for the month

How could the world change for the better?



It has been a very exciting week for our Year 6 children! Some have enjoyed a two-night residential trip to PGL in Kent, exploring the Centre and tackling various challenging activities, while others have been exploring some of London's most exciting landmarks including Buckingham Palace and Kensington Palace Gardens. It has been great to see the children embracing these opportunities, challenging themselves and making memories that they will treasure. Thank you so much to the staff for ensuring that they have all had such a happy time!

As the weather starts to get colder and wetter, please make sure that the children are suitably dressed when they come to school.

Finally, please note that our Meet the Teacher meeting for Nursery parents and carers takes place at 9am on Monday in the school.

Have a lovely weekend.
Ziz Chater

Language of the Month

As a way to celebrate the myriad of languages spoken here at Martin Primary, every month we focus on a different language. October's language is Portuguese — Ola!



This week's winners

Gold Stars

1RT - Hendrick	4ZC – Zayn
1CM– Franco	4SR – Lia
1LK – Senan	4TH – Juno
2JL - Amber	5AE – Zach
2LR - Sonya	5GB – Ruby
2OD - Sinan	5CF – Harvey
3SK – Sammi	6BG – Adam
3EB - Hillan	6KB – Uma
3RT – Luca	6WS – Marielle

Rights Respecting

1RT - Isa	4ZC - Yarden
1CM - Leo	4SR - Bea
1LK - Aurelia	4TH - Dina
2JL - Emma	5AE - Aisha
2LR – Hadi	5GB - Phoebe
2OD - Jeanne	5CF - Noah
3SK - Luca	6BG - Laila
3EB - Adam	6KB - Alice
3RT - Hannah	6WS - Zak

Secret Superstar

Year 1	Isa 1RT
Year 2	Siyana 2OD
Year 3	Kaynan 3RT
Year 4	Isla 4SR
Year 5	Olivia C 5CF
Year 6	Ibtisam 6WS

Working Together to Waste Less!

On Tuesday, we welcomed two members of the North London Waste Authority (NLWA) team to Martin Primary as part of their **In the Know** programme. Our Eco Councillors **Louis, Ankush and Kendall from Year 6, and Maisie, Yusra and Lyanna from Year 5**, helped the team carried out a waste audit by examining and sorting our school's rubbish. This gave us a closer look at what we throw away and will help us identify ways to reduce waste and improve our recycling.



The NLWA team then delivered an assembly for the whole school, helping children understand how they can play their part. They also provided banners and bin stickers, which will soon be displayed around school to remind everyone what goes where!

NLWA works with schools and communities across North London to reduce waste, encourage re-use and improve recycling. Through the programme, they will support us with educational resources, activities and practical advice, using our audit findings to help us make changes that meet our school's needs.

This is part of our ongoing work to make Martin Primary a more sustainable school, with our Eco Council helping to turn ideas into everyday habits. From using the correct bin to reusing materials and wasting less food, we want everyone to understand that small actions add up. Thank you to our Eco Councillors for getting involved and helping us take this next step!

Miss Rahman







Street Tag—Top of the Leaderboard!

We are still at the top of the Street Tag leaderboard, well done everyone, keep going. For an extra 1,000 points use the code **Welcome_TBRJ**

Year 3 Trip to Gunnersbury Park

On Wednesday 23rd September, Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic day at Gunnersbury Park and Museum to support their learning about the Stone Age.

The children explored the museum, discovering local artefacts and learning about life in the Stone Age. We then headed outdoors to put our survival skills to the test! The children had great fun building shelters, hunting a wild boar (pretend!) and exploring the types of food that might have featured on a Stone Age menu.

A huge thank you to the parents who volunteered their time and helped make our Stone Age experience a memorable one.

Year 3 team



More About Martin Meetings

Join us from 9am in the portakabin

More About Martin Meetings for parents and carers; cover a wide range of topics such as school information, strategies to support your children at home, children sharing their experiences and curriculum information. They take place at 9am on the given dates and are held in the portakabin on the field (unless stated otherwise).

Friday 9th October

Arbor & Google classroom

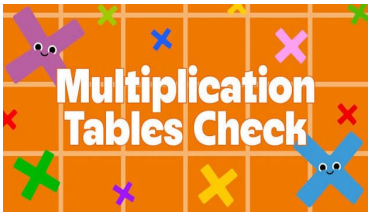
Our Business Manager and a member of our year 6 teaching team will show you how to access our platforms for parent & carer comms and home learning



Friday 23rd October

Year 4 Times Tables

Information from our Assistant Head and a member of our year 4 teaching team about the Year 4 Multiple Tables Check in June and how to support your child at home.



Community News

Met Engage is a free platform offered by the Metropolitan Police that helps people stay informed about what is happening in their local area. It is a two-way communication tool, allowing you to receive updates, crime prevention advice, and information directly from your local neighbourhood policing team.

If you are not already signed up please do, so that as many people as possible can stay informed and connected.

You can sign up here: Home Page - Met Engage

Thank you for your continued support.

The Metropolitan Police



Secondary Transfer—September 2027

Applications for secondary schools for all Year 6 children can now be made online via www.eadmissions.org.uk. **The closing date is 31st October 2026.**

Visit our website for full details: https://www.martinprimary.org.uk/secondary-transfer. For any help and advice please visit or call the school office.

AUTUMN TERM 2026	SPRING TERM 2027	SUMMER TERM 2027
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)	**Tuesday 5th January 2027 to Thursday 25th March 2027** **Half term** Monday 15th February to Friday 19 February 2027 school closed Tuesday 5th January (staff training)	**Monday 12th April 2027 to Thursday 22nd July 2027** **Half term** Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027 school closed Monday 12th April, Monday 7th June (staff training) & Monday 3rd May (bank holiday)

Dates for your diary



Monday 5th October	9am **Nursery** Meet the teacher meeting in the school hall
Tuesday 6th October	Nurse Visit—Reception Heights & Weights
Wednesday 7th October	Nurse Visit—Year 6 Heights & Weights
Thursday 8th October	School Flu Vaccinations for children in Reception to Year 6
Friday 9th October	9am More about Martin meeting—Arbor & Google Classroom
Tuesday 13th October	9.05am **1LK** Harvest Festival class assembly for parents & carers
Thursday 15th October	9.05am **1CM** Harvest Festival class assembly for parents & carers
Friday 16th October	**Just One Tree Day**
w/c Monday 19th October	ILP meetings with relevant parents & carers
Monday 19th October	**5AE** trip to Kew Gardens
Tuesday 20th October	**5CF** trip to Kew Gardens
Wednesday 21st October	9.05am **1RT** Harvest Festival class assembly for parents & carers **5GB** trip to Kew Gardens
Friday 23rd October	9am More about Martin meeting—Year 4 times table tests

Half Term: 26th October to 30th October inclusive

Thursday 5th November	Individual school photos
Friday 6th November	9am More about Martin meeting—RE Curriculum
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Day assemblies
Friday 13th November	Children in Need
w/b 16th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 17th & Thursday 19th November	Parent/carer meeting with teachers for Nursery to Y6
Friday 20th November	9am More about Martin meeting—Year 1 phonics screening

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