



Reception 2020 visits: Please pass this information on to anyone looking for a school place from September:

Tuesday 22nd October

9.30am to 11.00am

Thursday 24th October

5.30pm to 6.30pm

Friday 25th October 9.30am

to 11.00am

Monday 11th November

9.30am to 11.00am

Wednesday 13th November

1.00pm to 3.00pm

IMPORTANT DATES:

* **Friday 18th October** ~ MCC

50th Anniversary quiz night

* **Wednesday 23rd October,**

5.30 to 7.30pm. PTFA

Halloween Disco

No Friday after-school

Football Club on **25th**

October.

* **Friday 25th October,** MCC 50th

Anniversary celebration.

Details TBC

* **Half-term 28th October to 1st**

November

* **31st October 2019** ~ Closing

date for Secondary School

applications.

Christmas Events

Palladian Trust Carol Service

* **Tuesday 10th December at**

6pm at Bath Abbey Further

details to follow.

MCC Christmas Play

* **Friday 13th December**

Reception & Keystage One

Christmas Performance 1 ~

* **Tuesday 17th December at**

9.30am ~ coffee & mince pies

from 9.00am

* **Wednesday 18th December ~**

Christmas Lunch. Further details

to follow.

Reception & Keystage One

Christmas Performance 2 ~

* **Thursday 19th December at**

2.15pm ~ coffee & mince pies

from 1.45am.

Whole school Carol Concert ~

* **Friday 20th December at**

2.15pm

A positive difference, everyday, everyone

Dear Parents and Carers

Mr Kinver and I spent much of last Saturday on school site while the new classroom was successfully delivered and the new Key Stage 1 fencing was completed. It gave us plenty of time to walk around the grounds of our school and think about the future. With this in mind we are considering creating some new allotments on the site for children to grow fruit and vegetables. If you would be interested in supporting this project then please let the school office know.



Attached to the newsletter is the **second edition of our Learning highlights.** We hope you enjoy reading about all the exciting learning that has taken place across the school this week. Each week in the newsletter I will also be highlighting an area of the curriculum, the learning which takes place at St Martin's Garden Primary School and one of our school leaders. **This week the focus is P.E.**

As part of your children's learning our P.E. Sports Leader, Mrs Franklin, arranges and coordinates many exciting sporting fixtures and opportunities including our swimming provision throughout the year. She also coordinates our after school clubs. This term Year 1 and Year 2 have been coached to improve their Fundamental Movement Skills, Year 3 and Year 4 have had Swimming sessions and Year 4 have also enjoyed Netball coaching, Year 5 and 6 Gymnastics and Netball coaching. Equally, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum class have enjoyed their Swimming sessions, Judo coaching and gymnastics.

On a sporting front, our Year 5/6 football team competed against St Phillips Primary School winning (4-1). Year 6 children also took part in the local cross country championships with some children finishing in the top 10 for their age group. Last week a team of Year 6 girls participated in the B&NES festival representing us in Boccia and Curling at the University of Bath. We won the Boccia! All those who participated in these events were great ambassadors for Team SMGP. Next week, Year 2 will be taking part in a tag rugby tournament against other schools from the Palladian Trust. With so many sporting opportunities on offer please make sure your child's P.E kit is in school every day. I am looking forward to our second friendly match against St Phillips on Monday after school. Please come along and support from 3.30pm if you can.

Mrs Horn and I also met with some of the PTFA (Parents Teachers and Families Association) this week and we discussed the overview of the year. They have many exciting events planned including the Halloween Disco and an Elves Festive Shop where the children will be able to wrap gifts they have purchased for a family member. If you are able to volunteer and help at any of the planned events it would be very much appreciated as both the PTFA and FOMCU (Friends of Margaret Coates Centre) efforts to raise money make a difference to your children; so please do get involved in any way you can. Next Friday is the Margaret Coates - Anniversary Quiz Night which you are all welcome to attend. Tickets are available from FOMCU and I am looking for a team to join if you have any space let me know!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries.

Have a very enjoyable weekend. Claire Parfitt, Head teacher

INSET days for 2019/2020
School closed for all pupils
Monday 18th November 2019
Friday 14th February 2020
Monday 9th March 2020
Friday 10th July 2020
Monday 20th July 2020

DATA AUDIT ~ It's that time of year again where we will, over the coming weeks, send home a copy of your **child's data records** for you to check (PINK form). Please **check telephone numbers, email addresses, medical & dietary information**, amend if necessary, sign and return. Please sign and return even if there are no amendments. Thank you.

PTFA Halloween Disco ~ Wednesday 23rd October, 5.30pm to 7.30pm in the Keystage Two Hall. Tickets: £1.50 per adult and £1.00 per child. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets now on sale Please put money in an envelope, with your child's name and number of tickets required. Thank you PTFA Committee.

Quiz Night To celebrate 50 years of the Margaret Coates Centre, **Friday 18th October 2019**
7.30/ 8.00 pm start at St Martins Garden Primary School Hall. **Tickets £5.00** per person includes Cheese and Biscuits. Teams of up to 8 people. Cash bar available. All profits go to FOMCU (Friends of Margaret Coates). For tickets please send the payment along with your name and a contact number/email in an envelope addressed to FOMCU to the school office. Alternatively, you can contact us on our FOMCU Facebook page. Thank you.

Attendance Stars:

This week ~

Bronze Class	100%
Gold Class	98.75%
Silver Class	98.33%
Platinum Class	97.50%
Oak Class	96.67%
Walnut Class	96.15%

Well Done!



Join In! It's...

#Big Breakfast!

Come on Friday 18th October
To St Martin's Garden Breakfast Club

WELCOMING YOUR VERY SPECIAL GUEST CHRIS CLEGHORN

A celebration of your Breakfast Club!
Come along and...



- Meet Michelin Starred chef Chris
- Make your own yummy breakfast
- Tell everyone about how great your breakfast club is!
- Take part in activities

Exciting News

On **FRIDAY 18th OCTOBER**, Michelin Starred Chef, Chris Cleghorn (Head Chef at The Olive Tree) will be visiting our Breakfast Club as part of the Big Breakfast events.

This is a **FREE** event with 100 spaces available. If you would like your child(ren) to take part please complete a registration form at the school office. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, If your child is already booked into Breakfast club on 18th Oct you will receive a credit but please still complete a registration form.

The event will start at **8.00am** in the Dining Hall.

Science Question of the Week



**What is static
electricity?**



This question has definitely sparked the children's interest!

Due to its popularity (and the fact that I still haven't received the main prize I ordered, a colour changing fibre optic night light), **I am extending the period for entries until next Friday's Celebration Assembly.**

Ask me or the office if you need A3 sheets for your poster. A few children mentioned that they can't print photos at home, please send to school email address and I will print them out for you. Looking forward to receiving your posters, Mrs M 🤗