



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

**Monday 11th November**  
9.30am to 11.00am  
**Wednesday 13th November**  
1.00pm to 3.00pm

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

\* **Half-term 28<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November**

\* **31<sup>st</sup> October 2019** ~ Closing date for Secondary School applications.

\* **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November** at 8.55am ~ Term Two begins.

\* **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November** ~ DEADLINE for school photos orders returns.

**No Dodgeball Club on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

\* **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm to 5.00pm and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 5.00pm to 7.00pm** ~ Parent Consultation Meetings.

\* **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** ~ Odd Socks day

\* **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November** ~ Children in Need MUFTI day

\* **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November** ~ INSET DAY (school closed to all pupils).

**Christmas Events**

**Palladian Trust Carol Service**  
\* **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm at Bath Abbey** Further details to follow.

**MCC Christmas Play**  
\* **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Reception & Keystage One Christmas Performance 1** ~  
\* **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am** ~ coffee & mince pies from 9.00am  
\* **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December ~ Christmas Lunch.** Further details to follow.

**Reception & Keystage One Christmas Performance 2** ~  
\* **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm** ~ coffee & mince pies from 1.45am.

**Whole school Carol Concert** ~  
\* **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm**

**A positive difference, everyday, everyone**

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half-term seems to have flown by and I have thoroughly enjoyed my first term at St Martin's Garden Primary School. Thank you for making me feel so welcome. Please do continue to catch myself, Mrs Horn and Mr Bogg on the playground or at a gate at the start and end of each day if you have ideas to share.

During the last few days there has been a hive of activity across Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum classes as they have prepared banners, decorations and some very delicious smelling treats, ready for this afternoon's 50th Anniversary Celebrations. We have a number of guests coming this afternoon and the children are really looking forward to joining them in these celebrations.

Last Friday night, I thoroughly enjoyed the 50th Anniversary Quiz for the Margaret Coates Centre, Mr Bogg led the evening and was quite the Quiz Master, and on Wednesday this week the Halloween Disco- I don't think I have ever face painted so many unicorns before. A huge thank you to both FOMCU and the PTFA for giving up their time to organise these events and the staff who supported them as well. All the funds raised make a difference to our children across the school.

Our **Year 6 children** have been showing parents around our school over the last few days as part of our Reception open events and they have received very positive feedback from all those who have visited. If you do know anyone looking for a place for September 2020 then please share our **November open day events** with them.

At the end of today our Year 3 and Year 4 children will be sharing their Roman Legion battlefield skills. Their shields look amazing and I have had a sneak preview of their legion fighting skills. I think anyone watching will be impressed by their coordination and effort.

At St Martin's Garden we try to ensure that the children enjoy a wide range of experiences and extracurricular opportunities. On offer this half-term we have had: Swimming, Netball, Multi-Skills, Football, Tag Rugby. We have also had the following clubs running during the day or after school: Swimming, Parkour, Dodgeball, Netball, Football, Computing and Tiger Martial Arts. In Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum class they have been Horse Riding, Swimming, taking part in Judo sessions and enjoying their weekly music lessons. All our clubs will continue to run next term but we have some additional clubs for next term Scootfit (Years 1, 2 and 3) and Lego Club on Tuesdays (Year 1 & 2). We still have some places in some clubs, please contact the school office if your child would like to join an after school club.

Next term we have many exciting things planned and we will also be starting our new Learning Enquiry, **Diversity, Differences and Tolerance**. As part of this Enquiry we will be focusing on Friendship and Anti-bullying. On **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** we will be supporting **Odd Socks Day** which highlights the work of the Anti-Bullying Alliance. Please come to school wearing odd socks on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Over the week we will be thinking about and celebrating individuality and what makes us all unique!

## Mrs Parfitt message continued..

Mrs Franklin, our Sports Leader has arranged some exciting coaching for next half term including **Swimming for Year 1 and Year 2 this starts on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**. Our **Year 4** children will be off to the Recreational Ground to improve their **Rugby, Cricket and Dance skills every Tuesday afternoon**. Swimming will also continue on Tuesdays for Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum classes.

Keeping with the sporting theme on **Wednesdays** next term we will be running our first **Parents Netball Club supported by Sporting Family Change**. This will be every **Wednesdays from 2-3pm starting on the 6<sup>th</sup> November** in our small hall and will be open to all parents. This session will be run by Ms Serena Guthrie (England Netball Captain) and Ms Hayley Clarke and having, myself, attended these sessions previously they are lots of fun. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Our **Breakfast Club time starts from 7.30am on the 4<sup>th</sup> November and is only £1 per week**, over 35 children will be attending each day. We still have some places if you would like to join. Please let the office know. Miss Mullins and Mrs Spurrell look forward to welcoming your child/children next term.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break, take time to recharge your batteries and we will look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**.

Thank you, Claire Parfitt.

### INSET days for 2019/2020

#### School closed for all pupils

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020

### NEW DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

\* **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm to 5.00pm and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 5.00pm to 7.00pm** ~ Parent Consultation Meetings. These are important opportunities for us to share with you the successes so far this year.

\* **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** ~ Odd Socks Day (no donation required)

\* **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November** ~ Children in Need Day. Non-uniform, £1 suggested donation to Child in Need. Thank you

### Attendance Stars:

This week ~

Bronze	100%
Gold	97.73%
Peach	97.45%
Orange	96.45%
Well Done!	

**REMEMBRANCE DAY** ~ We are again supporting the British Legion Poppy Appeal and will be selling Poppies and Stationery on their behalf, from 4<sup>th</sup> November to 11<sup>th</sup> November, at the school office. Poppies are for a donation, Stationery is all 50p. Thank you for your support.

## Science Question of the Week

The Science Questions are increasing in popularity and I want to thank all the parents and carers who support the children in talking about and researching the answers. Last week we had 29 posters and this week we had 26 posters!

### Congratulations!

The winners for the question 'Why the Moon changes its shape' are **Callum L (KS2)** and **Zofia (KS1)** for their brilliant posters. They said they have used Encyclopaedias and the internet and they have presented their understanding very clearly. Special mention to **Sebi (KS1)** who answered the question by using an amazing home-made model.

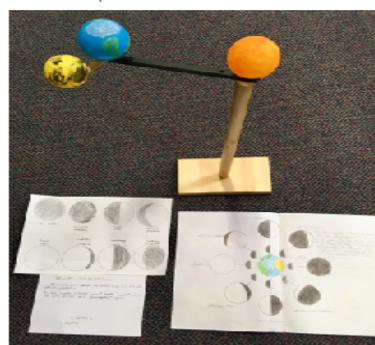


### New question

Perform the Upside-down Glass-of-water experiment at home and try to explain the science behind it.

### Why does the water stay in the upside down cup?

Present your ideas as an annotated drawing, photos or any other way you choose and hand your posters to the office or to Mrs M. Winners announced in **Wednesday's Assembly** and displayed on our STEM board. Choice of cool prizes to be won...



## \*\*NEW\*\* DINNER MENU FOR TERM 2 TO TERM 4

### ST MARTIN'S GARDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL DINNER MENU 2019-2020 TERM 2 to TERM 4

Monday 4th November 2019 - Friday 3rd April 2020

Meals cost £2.30 per day



	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
	04/11/19, 25/11/19, 16/12/19, 20/01/20, 10/02/20, 09/03/20, 30/03/20	11/11/19, 02/12/19, 06/01/20, 27/01/20, 24/02/20, 16/03/20	18/11/19, 09/12/19, 13/01/20, 03/02/20, 02/03/20, 23/03/20
<b>MON</b>	Jacket Potato with Beans and Cheese Pasta Bake Peas Carrots	Vegetable Supreme Pizza Vegetable Curry Rice Sweetcorn and Broccoli	Macaroni Cheese Vegetable Spring Roll Peas Carrots
	Chocolate Slice	Mango Yoghurt	Orange Shortbread
<b>TUES</b>	Cottage Pie with Gravy Quorn Cottage Pie with Gravy Green Beans Seasonal Vegetables	Chinese Chicken Cheesy Bubble & Squeak Thin Spaghetti Peas, Sweetcorn and Roasted peppers	Chicken Curry Sweet Potato and Chickpea Tikka Masala Rice Broccoli and Green Beans
	Berry Flapjack	Flapjack with Fruit Slices	Raspberry Swirl Cake with Custard
<b>WED</b>	Roast Chicken Quorn Roast Roast Potatoes, Gravy Cabbage, Broccoli and Cauliflower	Roast Turkey Vegetable Wellington Roast Potatoes, Gravy Cabbage and Carrots and Swede Mash	Roast Beef Roast Vegetable and Butterbean Crumble Roast Potatoes, Gravy Carrots and Cabbage
	Orange Drizzle Cake with Custard	Apple and Pear Sponge with Custard	Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices
<b>THURS</b>	Sausage Casserole Vegetable Casserole Rice Carrots and Sweetcorn	Beef Lasagne Quorn Pasta Bolognese Garlic and Herb Bread Green Beans and Carrots	Pork Sausages Veggie Sausages Mashed potatoes and Gravy Sweetcorn and Peas
	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Strawberry Mousse	Banana and Cinnamon Cake with Custard
<b>FRI</b>	Fish Fingers Veggie Dippers Chips Baked Beans and Peas	Fish Fingers Caramelised Red Onion and Mozzarella Tart Chips Baked Beans and Peas	Fish Fingers Tomato and Quorn Taco Cone Chips Baked Beans and Coleslaw
	Peach and Chocolate sponge	Chocolate Cake	Strawberry Yoghurt
<b>ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY:</b> Fresh Fruit, Bread, Milk and Water			

Vegetarian Option is in bold



Meals Cost £2.30 per day and must be paid for in-advance, on a Monday.

Payment can be made termly, weekly or daily by Cash or Cheque

Cheques to be made payable to St Martin's Garden Primary School

(Online Payments Available)

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