

Martin News

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October 2020

The newsletter for the Martin School community

Attendance

If your child is absent from school please remember to call the office every day with detailed reasons for their absence. Thank you

Theme of
the Month
for
October

Play and
Friendship



This week we have been celebrating Positive People with a focus on inspirational black role models. The children have learnt about their achievements and the impact they have had on other people's lives and they have created some fantastic artwork which you can see on the next page. We also had our Crazy or Spooky Hair today and were treated to some amazing creations!

As you know we have now split the classes in years 1 to 6 at playtimes and lunchtimes to keep the bubbles as separate as we can. Lunchtime and after school clubs are continuing and all providers have given us their risk assessments. Please be aware that if your child attends a club with another child who tests positive, your child will be required to self-isolate. This will not, however, mean that the rest of your child's class will need to self-isolate as they would not have had direct contact with the infected person.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the wonderful staff at this school. Everyone has worked so hard to ensure that children are safe, happy and enthusiastic about their learning, despite their own anxieties at this difficult time. I am sure you will join me in wishing them a relaxing half term break.

I hope you also have a happy half term break. Please stay safe and we look forward to seeing you back in school on **Tuesday 3rd November**.

Ziz Chater

This week's winners



Gold Stars



1JL - Luis	4LS - Mihaad
1SA - Savannah	4SM - Johnny-Rex
1LK - George	4ZC - Khalid
2SG - Noah	6LC - Kaya
2SR - Anoushka	6SB - Nora
2TH - Lily	6SW - Noel
3CF - Asia	
3SB - Izzy	
3MT - Albie	

Rights Respecting awards

1JL - Sorchia	4LS - Diellza
1SA - Elina	4SM - Jaden
1LK - Mala	4ZC - Bosco
2SG - Miruna	6LC - Chiara
2SR - Rwan	6SB - Issa
2TH - Madina	6SW - Nadia
3CF - Julio	
3SB - Taha	
3MT - Angela	



AUTUMN TERM 2020

**Thursday 3rd September 2020 to
Thursday 17th December 2020**
Half term

Monday 26th October 2020 to
Friday 30th October 2020

(school closed Wednesday 2nd September,
Monday 2nd November and
Friday 18th December for staff training)

SPRING TERM 2021

**Tuesday 5th January 2021 to
Wednesday 31st March 2021**
Half term

Monday 15th February 2021 to
Friday 19th February 2021

(school closed Monday 4th January
for staff training)

SUMMER TERM 2021

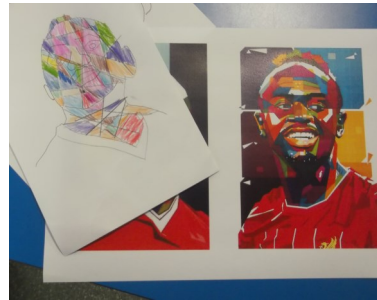
**Monday 19th April 2021 to
Friday 23rd July 2021**
Half term

Monday 31st May 2021 to
Friday 4th June 2021

(school closed Monday 3rd May for the
bank holiday and Monday 7th June
for staff training)

Positive People

This week we celebrated Black History Month by learning about positive black role models in the arts, sport and politics. These people included Mary Seacole, Jesse Owens, Floella Benjamin, Nicola Adams, Chadwick Boseman, Dr Shirley Thompson, Sadio Mane, Walter Tull and William Kamkwamba. As you can see from the photos, the children produced some fantastic artwork which we are looking forward to displaying in the corridors.



Crazy Hair Day

Thank you so much to the MHSA for organising Crazy and Spooky Hair Day! The children loved wearing crazy styles and they all looked fantastic! We are looking forward to seeing Year 5's crazy hair on **Friday 6th November!**



Harvest donations

This year we asked for donations for our Harvest collection for the Finchley Food-bank. We have been overwhelmed by the very generous donations. Thank you !



News from the Martin Home School Association

Crazy hair day

Thank you all for your support for Crazy Hair Day today. It was fantastic to see so many wonderful, crazy and spooky hair styles this morning coming into school. We really enjoyed it, and hope all the children did to. If you haven't yet donated, there is still time – you can contribute on PayPal via this link: www.tinyurl.com/mhsacrazyhairday. All the money raised will go towards Martin Primary School.

FEAST

If you have ever struggled to think of what to cook for your family, then this is the cookbook for you! The MHSA is putting together a Martin School recipe book featuring recipes for busy families, and **we need your help**.



Do you have a favourite family recipe? Maybe a dish passed on from your parents or grandparents? A recipe that is quick, simple and great for the whole family? Something that your children love to cook with you? We are hoping to get as many recipes from parents, children and teachers as possible to include in 'FEAST'; and we would love recipes from around the world to reflect the different cultures and diversity within our school.

So if you would like to see your family recipe in print, please submit your recipe to MHSafeastrecipes@gmail.com by Wednesday 11th November. Or alternatively, you can hand it or text it to your class reps. All proceeds from the cookbook will go to the school. Please make sure the recipe is your own or that you have permission to submit the recipe before sending it to us.

AGM

The MHSA is having their virtual (zoom) AGM on 13th November. If you would like to join the AGM to hear more about the MHSA and all the work they do fundraising for the school, it would be great to see you. Please email mhsasecretary@gmail.com if you are interested in joining.

We hope you all have a relaxing and fun half term.

Dates for your diary



26th—30th October

Monday 2nd November

w/b 9th November

Wednesday 11th November

Friday 13th November

w/b 16th November

Tuesday 17th November

Thursday 17th December

Friday 18th December

21st December to 1st January

Monday 4th January

School closed for half-term holiday

School closed for staff training

Parent teacher telephone meetings

Remembrance class assemblies

MHSA AGM (via Zoom)

School Walkathon

Anti-bullying week

Flu nasal vaccinations for children from R to Y6

School closes at 2pm for the Christmas holidays

School closed for staff training

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Secondary Transfer 2020-2021

Applications for secondary schools for all year six children can now be made online via www.eadmissions.org.uk. **The closing date is 31st October 2020.** Visit www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions for full details of secondary schools in Barnet.

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