



# Newsletter

## 23rd February 2024



### Diary Dates:

#### February

Monday 26th: Year 3 trip to Wildwood

Tuesday 27th: NELFT Online workshop (Introduction To Understanding Autism) 5:30pm

#### March

Wednesday 6th: Parent Consultation evening until 7pm

Thursday 7th: Parent Consultations evenings until 5pm

Wednesday 6th: Coffee Morning with speech and language therapist 8:45am

Thursday 7th: World Book Day - Dress up as your favourite book character

Friday 8th: Read Alongside in class rooms 8:30am

Monday 11th: NELFT Online workshop (Understanding Your Child's Behaviour) 10:30am

Friday 15th: Year R vision and hearing testing

Thursday 21st: Year 6 trip to Dover Castle

Thursday 21st: Year 3 class assembly 9:00am

Monday 25th: Year 2 class trip to Frampton Farm

Monday 25th: NELFT Online workshop (Me and My Child: Understanding Resilience) 5:30pm

Tuesday 26th: Years 5 & 6 'Bold As' event at Duke of York's Nye Hall from 7:00pm

Thursday 29th: Last day of Term 4

#### April

Monday 15th: First day of Term 5

Friday 19th: Year 3 Living History Workshop

#### May

Monday 6th: Bank Holiday

Thursday 9th: Year 2 class assembly 9:00am



Monday 13th: SATs Week for KS2

### Amazing Attendance!

The class with the best attendance this week was...

**Margate Class!!  
With 99%!**

In our last parent survey, many parents commented that they were finding the number of emails from the school overwhelming. As a result, we are trying to reduce the amount of emails we send during the week, trying to add this information onto the weekly newsletter. We're hoping this makes it less likely that parents will miss important messages and dates. We will continue to send trip flyers or other important messages separately to give as much notice as possible. Additionally, posters such as those on the following pages will continue to be put on our Facebook group page. We are interested to hear if this helps.

If you have not yet joined our Facebook group, please  St Martin's School, Dover search for  Private group · 184 members

### Staffing Update

We would like to welcome our new TA: Mrs Cawood to our team on Monday!



Learning to Dream, Learning to Believe, Able to Succeed!

# THE EDUCATION PEOPLE



The Education People's Early Years and Childcare Service is conducting a survey on behalf of Kent County Council, of parents/carers and expectant parents to determine interest in the childcare entitlements that are being introduced this year and their arrangements for wraparound care of any primary school aged children. The survey will also gather the views of parents/carers using or wanting to use more childcare in Kent. This combined information will help us assess where there are gaps in provision.

We would be very grateful if you could support us with maximising the reach of this survey by sharing the QR code below with families in your schools any other stakeholders you may have and if appropriate your own family and friends who access or want to access childcare in Kent.

Please see recent flyers below:



Dear Parents/Carers,  
I am pleased to announce that we are restarting to do our informal, friendly coffee mornings. This term, they will be every Monday Morning in the Eaves room from 8:45am - 9:15am.

Younger siblings welcome!

It would be really lovely to see you for a hot drink, biscuits and chat.

From Juliet (FLO)



Donations can be made online via our Just Giving page or by cash on the day



## WORLD BOOK DAY EVENTS

### Thursday 7th March

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book characters!

### Tokens

During book week, your child will receive a £1 book token that can be used at various retailers.

### Friday 8th March

Parents are invited to join us for a 'Read Alongside' breakfast in your child's classroom between 8:30am - 9:15am (if you have multiple children in different classes, you will be able to move between rooms)

## Parent Teacher Consultations

To be held in the School Hall

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 from 3:30 - 5:00pm  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 from 3:30 - 7:00pm

Please book your appointment online now at

<https://stmartinskent.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

A step-by-step parent user guide can be found overleaf.

Please select the Manual option when booking appointments.

Booking closes at 12:00 on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024





## Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

### Introduction To Understanding Autism

Tuesday 27th February 5.30-7.30pm

\*Workshop timings change from term to term

Do you have questions about Autism? Maybe your child has received a diagnosis. Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding symptoms of Autism. We also discuss helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child.

If you would like to join, please ctrl + click the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 358 930 150 15

Passcode: rtxvjk

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools.

We look forward to meeting you.



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### Me and My Child: Understanding Resilience

Monday 25th March 5.30-7.30pm

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Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers to reflect and generate ideas of how you can be a positive role model of resilience for your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding resilience and its importance in your child's development. It will help you to consider factors which can help to build your child's resilience in the context of caring relationships.

If you would like to join, please ctrl + click the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 310 053 614 285

Passcode: kEobMM

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### Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

Monday 11th March 10.30-12.30pm

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Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child at home? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to enjoy your time more with your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding and communicating with your child. It will help you consider factors which influence behaviour. We also discuss techniques that you can use at home for behaviours that you feel are difficult to manage.

If you would like to join, please ctrl + click the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 355 740 310 135

Passcode: cG2zbH

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# COFFEE MORNING

Coffee morning with our link speech and language therapist, Emma Baines.

6th March 2024  
8:45am in the Eaves room

Come and find out how to support your child with their speech and language development. An opportunity to ask questions about support, referrals and concerns.

Original posters with links can be found on our Website Calendar and on Facebook.