



# NEWS & VIEWS

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Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster

## Headteacher's Comment:

Last Friday was a special day as Year 7 and Year 13 pupils came together at the Brentwood Cathedral to celebrate St Martin's Day. I opened the service by sharing the poignancy of Year 7s starting their St Martin's journey, alongside the Year 13 pupils, in their final months, leaving us as outstanding young people, ready to take on all of the challenges and opportunities ahead of them. Thank you to the parents and carers who supported the event, the Mayor and Des Shillingford, our Chair of Governors, for his reading. I would also like to thank Andrew James who used to work at the school for many years, for leading the service and reminding us of the history and values the school is built on.

If you would like to be a part of the ongoing school improvement drive and join our leadership team as a parent governor, please complete the nominations form [here](#) by **midday on Monday 25 November 2024**. Please include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words.



## U13 Mid Essex Football Champions

Our Year 7 and 8 girls followed in the footsteps of our U15s and were crowned U13 Mid Essex Football Champions. Eleven schools from across Mid Essex were competing for the title and SAINTS were dominant from the start. Superb teamwork and passing of the ball secured a clean sweep across the tournament with no goals conceded. Fantastic goal keeping from both Mollie Freeman-Barry and Phoebe Baully and excellent defending from Ella Wilks and Isabelle Holmes denied any opponents' attack. Brilliant midfield play from Nina Hackett, Carolina Malheriro and Zara Foulser secured wins against Beaulieu Park, Ormiston Rivers, Sandon School, Becket Keys and Great Baddow High School in the group stages. The skillful finishes of Lily Hanson Year 7, saw her net 4 goals across the 5 games.



The girls faced Moulsham High School in the final who had also won all of their games in the group stages. A rocket of a shot from Jess Bone, who was also player of the tournament, secured the win and the Mid Essex title. Congratulations again to all the girls on a truly fantastic team performance.



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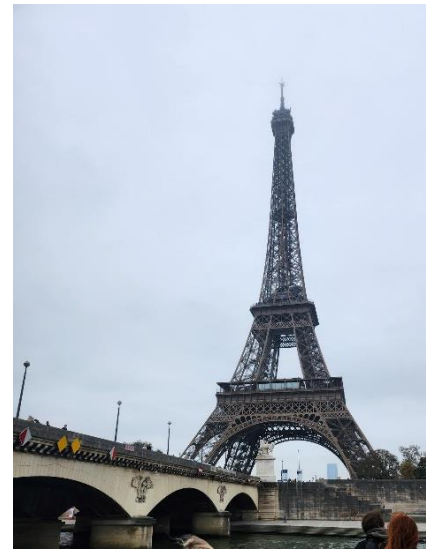
## Art & Technology trip to Paris

The first Art, Design and Technology trip to Paris, took place over the October half term. Pupils were exceptionally well behaved and were fortunate to cram in a lot of culture and fun!

Our pupils had the luxury of some free time to take in some sights, before going into the Louvre. They viewed the Mona Lisa and the Venus De Milo, as well as countless pieces of art and artefacts, including Egyptian jewellery and objects dating back 2000BC.

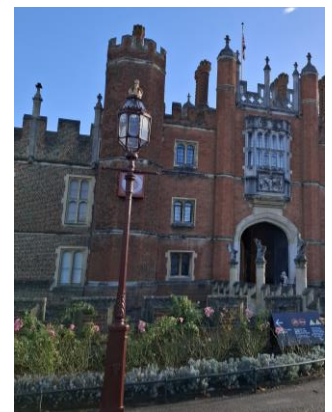
The following day, pupils had a jam-packed itinerary starting with a Street Art walking tour through the Belleville neighbourhood. The guide gave context to the artworks we saw on the tour, which then led the pupils to debate about the difference between graffiti, murals and art. Next, the pupils had a river boat tour along the Seine, to view the sites and architecture of the city from a new vantage point. The excursion finished by the Eiffel tower. After, the pupils headed to the Musee D'Orsay, which had an impressive collection of paintings by the Impressionists, including Monet, Van Gogh and Cezanne. On Wednesday the pupils went to Disneyland! This was a highlight for many, as students were able to walk straight on to most rides with minimal queuing.

On the last day we visited L'Orangerie, which has the installation of Monet's Waterlilies. Pupils then attended an exhibition of abstract art, including Picasso, Matisse, Miro and Giacometti. Many of these artists are ones they have looked at as part of our Art curriculum in KS3. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the trip and returned tired but enriched.



## Year 13 Visit to Hampton Court Palace

Our Year 13 Historians visited Hampton Court Palace on Wednesday 13th November. Students were guided by a resident historian around the Palace. The talk was specifically curated to compliment the AQA Tudor A Level course on the Mid Tudor Crisis. The trip was designed to bring to life what our students have been learning about in the classroom.



## Dates for the Diary

- 25.11.24 – 29.11.24 – Year 11 PPEs
- 26.11.24 – A Level Economics Student Conference
- 26.11.24 – 27.11.24 – Year 10 CV writing workshop
- 28.11.24 – Year 7 Parents' Evening (online)
- 29.11.24 – Year 12 & 13 A level Business Workshop

For PE fixtures please follow twitter @STMartinsSchPE for further PE updates

### Word of the Week Week 10 Agile



**adjective:** 1. able to move quickly or easily. 2. able to think quickly and clearly.

**Sentence:** He had an extremely agile mind, a strong character and a desire to win.



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# CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRIES TO  
MRS SAPSFORD IN C101 BY:

**WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER**

A5 or A4 Paper using  
2D Materials such as pencil, paint,  
pen... get creative!

Prizes and Satchel points for entries,  
winners and runners up!

