

# NEWS & VIEWS

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**Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster** 



## 🔼 Headteacher's Comment:

This week I had the pleasure of meeting the following students: Cydney Hughes, Alexander Rebel, Zachary Wood, Arthur Collins, Samuel Sadler, Joseph Kearney and Holly Reid. They were awarded Bronze, Silver and Gold in the Year 10 Scientific Thinking Challenge. This is a significant achievement as 20,000 other students completed this across the UK, with St Martin's students finishing in the top 10% nationally.

We look forward to welcoming you to our School of Rock show next week, where over 100 of our lower school students will be performing to the very highest of standards in this West End production. The rehearsals look fantastic and some tickets are still available, see the enclosed flyer with further information.

Finally, I would like to share that the Discovery Educational Trust have been successful on our behalf and secured a £2 million bid to update aspects of the school heating and roofing across the site. Work will begin in the summer holidays and there will be scaffolding in place for two terms. This will not affect classrooms or the learning environment but will look unsightly. I am sure you agree this is for the greater good and will make for a more comfortable environment longer term.







## Mighty Hike 27.2 Mile Fund Raiser

Well done to Rebecca Goulding one of our staff members at the school for raising £300 for the Macmillan Charity.



#### Student Success

Freddie Rogers (10H2) has received a Jack Petchey Outstanding Achievement Award through his dedication and contribution towards his boxing club. This is a superb achievement from one of our St Martin's students and demonstrates the high level of commitment being shown by Freddie and many others in the school when it comes to participating in extra-curricular activities.

A huge well done to Freddie for receiving this accolade.

Mr Welton HOY 10









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## Raising Students' Aspirations

It was a busy couple of days before we broke up for half term.

On Thursday 23 May, the Department for Work and Pensions delivered intervention sessions with selected students in Years 7-10. sessions for KS3 were designed to raise students' aspirations and help them to set goals. Year 10 students were given support with writing their CVs to apply for further education, jobs and apprenticeships.



At St Martin's we are aiming to build a closer working relationship with the Department for Work and Pensions. This will increase the support for students in Year 10 with their CVs, mock interviews and work experience for the next academic year.

In addition, the Department for Work and Pensions will support Year 7 with goals and aspirations, and Year 9 for their Options.

Friday 24 May, Emmanuel College, Cambridge University delivered two outreach workshops with a selected group of students in Year 8 and Year 10. These sessions were designed to raise the aspirations and break down stereotypes when applying for the most competitive universities. Students were given support on the application process to university and the Higher Education pathway and students were given the opportunity to ask questions. Students completed activities on different careers and had the opportunity to consider how they could apply this to themselves when thinking about their futures.



### **ESFA National Cup Semi-Finalists**

Our U15 girls are ESFA NATIONAL CUP semi-finalists! A hard-fought quarter final against Kings Langley School (Hertfordshire) ended in a 3-0 win to SAINTS. Goals from Emmie Lole, Ruby Lee and Gracie Angus in the second half secured the victory.

Congratulations to POMs Annabelle Bowler, for her strength and resilience and Ruby Walsh for some fantastic saves and confidence when coming off her line.

The team now travel to North Dorset to play The Gryphon School on Monday 10 June. Good luck girls. We are already very proud of you.





## Dates for the Diary

10.06.24 - 21.06.2024 - Yr 6 Primary School Visits 11.06.24 - 13.06.2024 - SEND Transition Workshops

11.06.24 - 12.06.2024 - Lower School Production of School of Rock

- Year 12 Parents' Evening 13.05.24

14.06.24 - Sixth Form Oxbridge Workshop Day

For PE fixtures please follow: Instagram @stmartinsschpe or click here for further PE updates



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St Martin's School Art & DT Exhibition



Everyone welcome. Free entry. Refreshments and music provided.

North Hall Wednesday 10 July 2024





