

# ST. MARTIN'S NEWS

## 22nd September 2023

Website - <http://www.st-martinsoldham.co.uk/>



Our Christian theme this half term is:  
Thankfulness.

### Weekly Awards

Our Weekly Award winners are:

#### LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Autumn Stephenson  
Isabella Conner  
Connor Ferris  
Georgie Mae Forrester  
Damir Akartel  
Evie Watson  
Aurora Roseweir  
Charlie Garrett

Try to make our school community a better place.

#### JIGGY OF THE WEEK

Hollie Howland  
Freya Birchall  
Jensen Jolley  
Jaxon Iberson  
Ellie Turner Perrin  
Chloe Cooke  
Charley McLean

### Arbour App

We are now using Arbor within school and are asking all parents to download the Arbor app to access important information about School. If school don't have your email address, please could you contact us, and we can send out an email with a link to sign up. Look out for dinner money payments on Arbor as this is now up and running.

## Current Year 6 pupils applying for secondary school places September 2024

A reminder to all **current Year 5 parent/carers**. All applications for secondary school need to be completed online via the Oldham council website. This system will be open from **1<sup>st</sup> August** and will close at **5pm on 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Please do not forget to apply to avoid not being allocated a school of your choice. If you do not have access to the internet, there are computers in all Oldham libraries, where staff will be happy to help you.

## School Dinners in September

All children moving up to **Year 3** after the summer break will **no longer be eligible for free school meals** under the government programme. If you feel you qualify for free school meals, please apply on Oldham free school meals website.

<https://www.oldham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

If you wish to change your child's provision for lunch, from packed lunches or school dinners, please let the school office know, giving at least **one week's notice**. This will ensure that enough meals are made in the school kitchen, and also that you are not continuing to be charged for meals if you are now providing a packed lunch. **If the office is unaware of a meal change, you will be liable for paying for the dinners that have been provided for your child.**

## Individual Photographs

The photographer will be in school on:  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023.

Photographs can be taken with younger siblings who are not yet in school. If you would like your child to have their photograph taken with their younger siblings, parents will need to bring them in to the main reception at:

8.30am.

Thank you.

## Term Dates

### Autumn Term 1

Wednesday, 6th September - Friday, 20th October - School Term

Monday, 23rd October - Friday, 27th October - Half Term Break

### Autumn Term 2

Monday, 30th October - Thursday, 21st December - School Term

Friday, 22nd December - Friday, 5th January - Christmas Break

### Spring Term 1

Monday, 8th January - Friday, 16th February - School Term

Monday, 19th February - Friday, 23rd February - Half Term Break

### Spring Term 2

Monday, 26th February - Thursday, 28th March - School Term

Friday, 29th March - Friday, 5th April -- Easter Break

### Summer Term 1

Monday, 8th April - Friday, 24th May - School Term

(Monday, 6th May - May Day Bank Holiday)

Monday, 27th May - Friday, 7th June - Half Term Break

### Summer Term 2

Monday, 10th June - Friday, 19th July - School Term

Friday, 19th July - Finish for summer break

## Diary Dates

School individual photographs – 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Flu Vaccination – 18<sup>th</sup> October

