



MARTINS WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

6th October 2023

HIGHLIGHTS

- Follow our Instagram page for more up to date reminders and news
- Successful Year 6 residential to PGL
- New 'School Ambassadors' and 'House Champions'
- Important Dates

This Week...

In Year 2, the children have been learning about data. They carried out a traffic survey and recorded the number and type of vehicle that passed our school. They then used this data to answer some questions in their maths lessons.



In Year 1 class assembly, the children have been looking at First Aid. This week, Little Rescuers taught us all about The Safety Position. The children had a go at practicing with a partner to put them into The Safety Position.



Outside Achievement

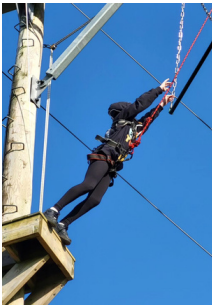
One of our year 5 pupils, Ollie had an inter club Muay Thai event. Although it was not competitive, he showed our school PRIDE values with his opponent, who was 3 years older than him. Well done Ollie!



Year 6 Residential

Last week some of our Year 6 children went to the PGL centre at Caythorpe Court in Lincolnshire, to take part in many new learning experiences. They were able to try many different activities. There were some that went up, some that came down, some that involved dry land and some that involved getting wet.

All the children seemed to have a wonderful time and came back tired but with some fantastic memories. They should all be extremely proud of their achievements and how well they represented Martins Wood whilst away.



New 'School Ambassadors' and 'House Champions'



As part of our student school leadership program, we have interviewed and chosen some new school ambassadors and house champions. These children will be used to support different activities within our school. They have been chosen out of a large group of applicants and we congratulate them on being selected to represent our school values.

Skip 2B Fit Challenge

Over the last two weeks every child from Y1-6 has had the opportunity to be involved in a Skip2Bfit workshop.

Every child from Y1-6 has been given their very own skipping rope to keep in school with a counter on the handle. The children can practise their skipping at playtimes and lunchtimes, then every week for 2 minutes, they will skip as a class and try to improve their personal best.

There are many benefits to skipping everyday it is a great form of exercise and the weekly challenge of improving their own personal score will encourage our five PRIDE values: Perseverance, Resilience, Determination, Independence and Energised.

If you would like to join your child or purchase a skipping rope with a counter to encourage skipping at home, they are now on sale in the school office.



Our top skippers so far in school are as follows:

Y1 Gabriella - 62

Y2 Madison - 104

Y3 Victoria - 138

Y4 Luca - 151

Y5 Harley - 183

Y6 Caitlin - 189

Teacher: Mrs Wright - 122

Best effort: Thomas Y4

Harvest collection

We are still asking for donations of food items to support the 'People for People' community group and celebrate harvest time. We are asking for NON-PERISHABLE food items (cans, dried food etc.) to support struggling families in the local area.

The last day for the donations is the 19th of October. Can your children please bring these to their classroom where they will then be collected and stored.



Social media



We are on Instagram and are going to be posting a great deal more with up to date news, reminders and messages. If you have not yet done so, please follow us @martinswoodprimary

Updated photography

On Tuesday 10th October a photographer will be in school to take photos of the children enjoying their learning.

Please also be aware that they may be taking photos at drop off/pick up time. If you do not wish to be photographed, please do decline when asked.

These images may be used for our social media, newsletter or website so please make sure that if you do not want your child's image to be used, you have informed the office.



Early Years Tours

The Nursery and Reception admissions process is now open. If you would like to visit our ambitious and friendly Early Years Foundation Stage, please book onto one of our tours.



October

Wednesday 18th (9:30am)

Tuesday 31st (9:30am)

November

Wednesday 8th (2 pm)

Friday 17th (9:30am)

Monday 20th (2 pm)

Wednesday 29th (9:30am)

A space on a tour can be booked via the office: 01438222602 or admin@martinswood.herts.sch.uk

Diary Dates

Parent/Carers Consultation Evenings
Tues 17th October & Wed 18th October
(Bookings via ParentMail)

Half Term
Week beginning 23rd October

School Individual Photos
Fri 3rd November

School Closed (Occasional Day)
Fri 1st of December

End of term
Wed 20th December

New Term Begins
Mon 8th January 2024