



# St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

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Dear New Families,

Monday 20 May 2019

A warm welcome to St Martin's. It gives me great pleasure to welcome you and your daughter to our wonderful school. Apologies for such a long letter, but please read it to the end.

It has been a while since our first 'Journey Begins' event in March, so I thought it would be good to catch up with you with news of the further events that will take place as part of our bespoke 'Your Journey Begins' transition programme.

**Your Journey Begins - Expectations and Induction** - Our first event for you and your daughters is on **Monday 1 July at 6.00pm**. The students will return on **Tuesday 2 July** for a special induction day, which will include the opportunity to take part in a martial arts programme delivered by our partners from Confucius. Your daughter should wear comfortable clothing including trainers. Details of the programme are attached to this letter.

**Documents required for Monday 1 July** - In order that we may complete your daughter's registration, I am enclosing some documents that I would ask you to complete and bring with you on 1 July, together with a copy of her birth certificate or passport. Please see check list enclosed.

**Uniform** - You will also find enclosed, information about our school uniform, where to purchase, how to purchase and how much items cost. Our uniform supplier, School Uniform Direct, will attend our event on 1 July and you will be able to get more information about the special offers from the representative who will be able to answer all your questions. We have a range of nearly new uniform items which can be purchased direct from the school.

**Indoor Summer BBQ** - On Tuesday 2 July, at 11.45, we invite you to our indoor summer BBQ. This will take place at lunch time on the same day that your daughter will be spending the day with us. So that we know how many to cater for, please phone or email Jo Goldsmith [jgoldsmith@stmartins.academy](mailto:jgoldsmith@stmartins.academy) (020 3910 1544) by Tuesday 18 June, if you would like to join us for this special lunch, you need only phone/ email if you intend to come. Enclosed you will find a special invitation from Harrisons, our caterers.

**Primary School visits** - The Progress Leader for Year 7, Ms Grant, has been busy visiting primary schools, trying to get to as many schools as possible to meet the girls in their own environment. Feedback from this has been very positive.

**Awards Programme** Our Awards programme is now in its second year for girls who show aptitude in STEM or Music. We still have places to offer for September 2019. Please see details in the pack. If your daughter has already been successful in receiving one of our Music or STEM Awards you will receive a separate letter about the special Awards event. This is in addition to our transition events.

We believe our 'Your Journey Begins' programme will give your daughter a solid grounding in ensuring she is as comfortable as possible as she embarks on this new phase of her education. We are extremely proud of how our existing students welcome all our new Year 7s into our community and how well and quickly they settle to be happy and confident St Martin's Girls!

I look forward to welcoming you back to St Martin's on Monday 1 July. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please do not wait until then to ask. Please do contact the school, we will be happy to answer any questions and help in any way we can to make your daughter's transition as smooth as possible.

Yours sincerely

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## YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS TRANSITION PROGRAMME

Date	Time	Event	Details
Thursday 14 March 2019	4.15pm - 6.00pm	<p>‘Your Journey Begins - Welcome’</p> <p><i>Welcome, activities, and refreshments</i></p>	<p><b>Parents/Carers</b> Meet the Headteacher and other key members of staff. Online safety, Numeracy and Literacy workshops and takeaway resources</p> <p><b>New Students</b> Meet current students. Take part in a range of activities including Science, Art and Mandarin</p>
Monday 1 July 2019	6.00pm - 7.00pm	<p>‘Your Journey Begins – Expectations’</p>	<p><b>Parents/Carers and your daughters</b> An opportunity to find out more about your new school and our expectations. Please hand in completed documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Personal information sheet</li> <li>● Home school agreement</li> <li>● GDPR form</li> <li>● Copy of passport/birth certificate</li> <li>● Contact information 2nd July</li> </ul>
Tuesday 2 July 2019	<p>9.00am - 3.00pm</p> <p>11.45am - 12.30pm</p>	<p>‘Your Journey Begins – Induction’</p> <p><i>Parents invited to Indoor Summer BBQ</i></p>	<p><b>New Students</b> Take part in a wide range of activities including an opportunity to try out martial arts</p> <p><b>Parents/Carers join your daughter for the Indoor Summer BBQ</b></p>
Tuesday 3 September 2019	8.30am -12.30pm	<p>‘Your Journey Begins – First Day’</p>	<p><b>New Students</b> Take part in an exciting programme – ‘My first day as a St Martin’s Girl’</p>