



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

11-19 Church of England Academy Founded 1699

*Service Compassion Justice Perseverance*

Thursday 19 July 2018

*Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans. Proverbs 16:3*

Dear Families

I cannot quite believe that I am writing to you at the end of another academic year, and that I have now been Headteacher of St Martin's for three years. How time flies!

So much has happened in this time, and we are all proud of our successes and achievements. The summer term, in fact the entire year has been exceptionally busy and successful for all those concerned with St Martin's.

First, I would like to thank you for the support you have given both to your child and the school. Our effective partnership has enabled us to go from strength to strength in all that we do to ensure students get the best possible education within our Christian community.

So much has happened that it would be difficult to list everything in this letter, much of which has been captured in our news on our website. However, I would like to, in this letter focus on our 'Top 5' highlights this year.

1. Achieving an Outstanding judgement from our SIAMS inspection in April 2018 under a new and more rigorous framework.
2. Achieving a Good judgement from our Ofsted inspection in May 2018 under a new and more rigorous framework.
3. Celebrating 90 years of being located in Silwood House and 319 of educating girls, with a special service at St Martin in the Fields Church, Trafalgar Square. Followed by a celebration afternoon tea hosted by our very own Parent Partnership group, with the Deputy Mayor of London as our guest speaker.
4. We have established a partnership with The Confucius Institute for Traditional Chinese Medicine (CITCM) at London South Bank University. From April 2018 St Martin's became an official Mandarin teaching site. We now have Mandarin on our curriculum for Year 7 and 8 students and as an option choice from Year 9.
5. Something Old... Something New... We introduced a new uniform, worn by our students with confidence and respect. I have had many positive comments from the community who feel this has 'lifted' our students and given them a greater sense of pride and aspiration. They have been a credit to you and to St Martin's.

We will be saying goodbye to Mr Mwambazi who has been appointed to the maths department in another church school. We also say goodbye to Ms Loxton, who will be relocating to Scotland, to Mr James who will be relocating to Oxford and to Ms Smith and Ms Tortone who are leaving to start their PGCE course. I am sure you will want to join me in thanking them for their hard work, dedication and commitment to St Martin's and wish them well in their new posts. We will be saying hello and welcome to Mr Briggs who will join us in September as Head of Creative Arts.

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**WITH LOVE AND LEARNING**

I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the staff, and I am sure you will want to join me in thanking them for their commitment and dedication. Staff at St Martin's are highly professional and work incredibly hard to ensure all students can achieve their best, and be the best that they can be. This was affirmed by our inspection outcomes.

As we end this chapter, and look to beginning another, I want to assure you that we will not be complacent, we will continue our drive for improvement in all aspects of our school to ensure excellence is the norm. As we end this school year, I want to thank you again for your support in helping us to achieve a very successful term and a fabulous year, inspiring our students to grow academically, socially and spiritually. It is my utmost pleasure to lead and be part of such an amazing community and I look forward to more to come.

On behalf of the staff and governors at St Martin's, I would like to wish you all a peaceful and restful summer break. Whether it is here, or further afield, I hope you have plenty of rest and recuperation and that the glorious weather continues to keep us all smiling!

There are a number of activities and courses that your daughter can get involved in during the summer to keep her stimulated. Remember also, nothing can beat a good book!

As endorsed by Ofsted in this quote, "The motto of the school, Caritate et Disciplina - with Love and Learning, is driven by all staff in a common endeavour to improve the life chances of all students."

Happy summer!

Blessings and prayers



Beverley Stanislaus  
Headteacher

<b>ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BEGINNING OF TERM ACADEMIC YEAR 2018 TO 2019</b>		
Monday 3 September	Staff Professional Development Day - Only staff in school	
Tuesday 4 September	8.25 to 12.50	New Year 7 and Year 12
Wednesday 5 September	8.25 to 3.15	All students return - Normal school day
Thursday 6 September	Normal School Day	
Friday 7 September	Normal School Day	

Please ensure that all hair colour is removed before your daughter returns in September.