



St Martin's Primary School Christmas Newsletter



Work of Art on Loan



Our school has been loaned an original painting dating back to the 17th century. It features a young boy, possibly royalty, standing tall in all his finery. Year 4 have used the painting to inspire their own Tudor portraits and heard what can be learnt from a piece of art from a local expert, David Ummels. The picture is on display in the main foyer and was a centre piece for the Year 4 Tudor Day this week. During the day the children dressed up, created Tudor pomanders, baked Tudor food and tried their hand writing using a quill. Family members were invited along to see the children's Tudor dancing, try their delicious (?) Tudor cooking and look at the animations the children had made about their learning. A great day was had by all and thankfully no broken teeth from munching on Tudor ship's biscuits!

Children in Need

We had a great day at school for Children in Need and the children loved coming to school dressed in their 'Spotacular' outfits. It was good fun and a successful first event for our new School Councillors. We raised an incredible £1507.09 to help this great charity.

Christmas Parties

We would also be grateful if you could provide some food for your child's party. Please look at the list overleaf for the sort of food to bring.

Christmas Concerts

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be putting on Christmas concerts for their family and friends. Year R Christmas assembly is on 11th December at 2.00pm, Year 1 Christmas concert is at 2pm on 12th December. Year 2 pupils will perform a Nativity Play on Thursday 13th December at 2 pm.

All pupils will have an opportunity to see the infant Christmas concerts during school time.

Tickets for Christmas Concerts

Each child will bring 2 tickets home this week. We are sorry we can't invite extended family as we need to adhere to the maximum capacity of people we can fit into the hall. Please return any unwanted tickets to the school office. Any spares will be available for parents to collect on the day before the concert or play.

Epic Fridays – any parent expertise?

We held the last of our enrichment afternoons last week, ending 4 afternoons of adventurous and creative (and often messy) activities. The children tell us that they got a lot from the sessions and would like us to do something similar again next term. If any parents feel that they could offer an activity – with our help of course- please contact the school.

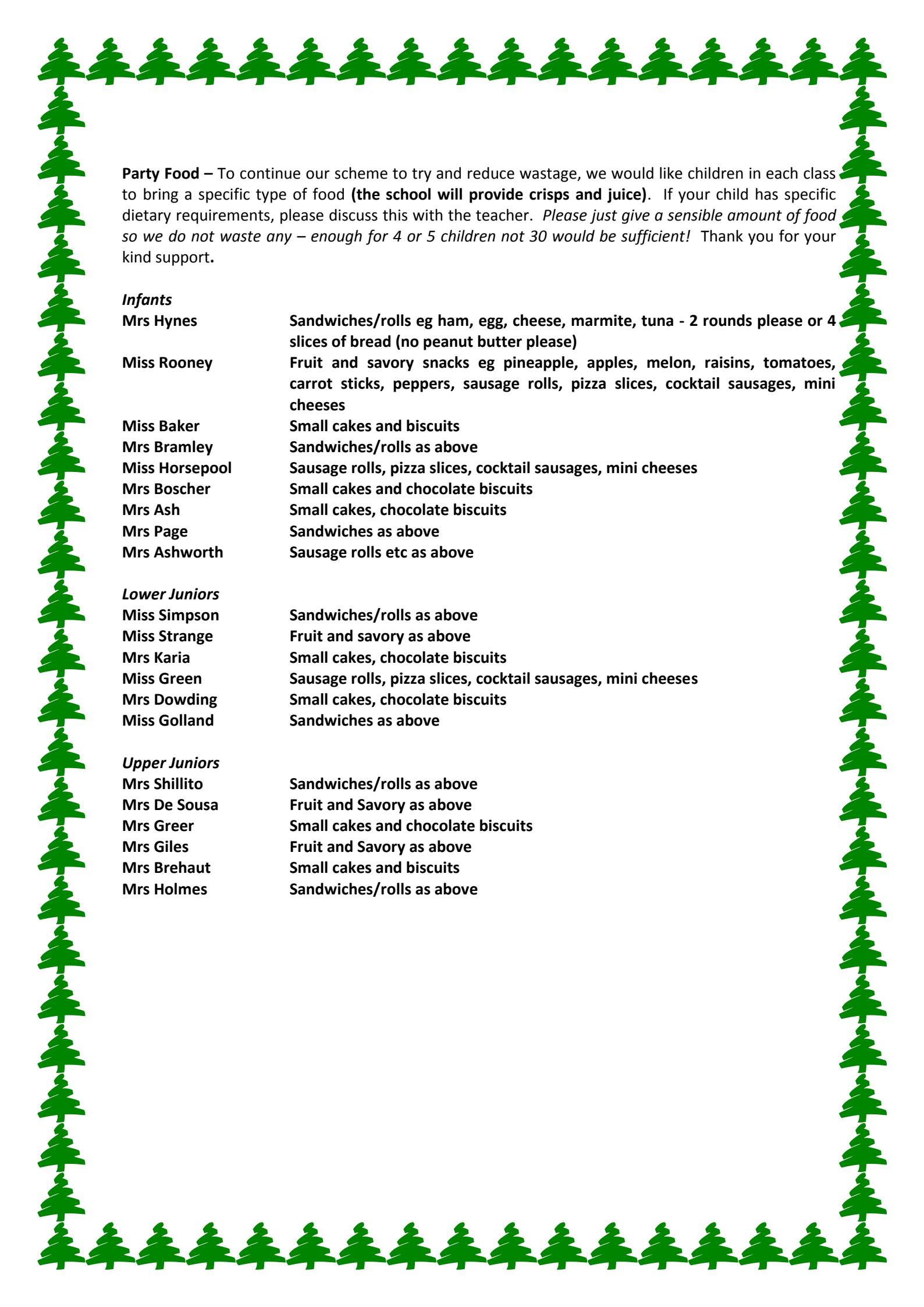


Epic Running at Sausmarez park

End of term

The term ends on Tuesday 19th December at 1.00pm. Children will not need lunch that day. The spring term starts for all pupils on Thursday 4th January.

Have a fabulous Christmas and thank you for your continuing support.



Party Food – To continue our scheme to try and reduce wastage, we would like children in each class to bring a specific type of food (**the school will provide crisps and juice**). If your child has specific dietary requirements, please discuss this with the teacher. *Please just give a sensible amount of food so we do not waste any – enough for 4 or 5 children not 30 would be sufficient!* Thank you for your kind support.

Infants

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| Mrs Hynes | Sandwiches/rolls eg ham, egg, cheese, marmite, tuna - 2 rounds please or 4 slices of bread (no peanut butter please) |
| Miss Rooney | Fruit and savory snacks eg pineapple, apples, melon, raisins, tomatoes, carrot sticks, peppers, sausage rolls, pizza slices, cocktail sausages, mini cheeses |
| Miss Baker | Small cakes and biscuits |
| Mrs Bramley | Sandwiches/rolls as above |
| Miss Horsepool | Sausage rolls, pizza slices, cocktail sausages, mini cheeses |
| Mrs Boscher | Small cakes and chocolate biscuits |
| Mrs Ash | Small cakes, chocolate biscuits |
| Mrs Page | Sandwiches as above |
| Mrs Ashworth | Sausage rolls etc as above |

Lower Juniors

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| Miss Simpson | Sandwiches/rolls as above |
| Miss Strange | Fruit and savory as above |
| Mrs Karia | Small cakes, chocolate biscuits |
| Miss Green | Sausage rolls, pizza slices, cocktail sausages, mini cheeses |
| Mrs Dowding | Small cakes, chocolate biscuits |
| Miss Golland | Sandwiches as above |

Upper Juniors

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| Mrs Shillito | Sandwiches/rolls as above |
| Mrs De Sousa | Fruit and Savory as above |
| Mrs Greer | Small cakes and chocolate biscuits |
| Mrs Giles | Fruit and Savory as above |
| Mrs Brehaut | Small cakes and biscuits |
| Mrs Holmes | Sandwiches/rolls as above |



AUTUMN TERM DIARY 2017

To see a live school calendar accessible from your phone
or computer please visit: <http://stmartinsprimaryschool.edublogs.org/school-calendar>

AUTUMN TERM 2017

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| Friday 1 December | Yr 1 (Mrs Boscher's) Class visiting Candie Museum |
| Thursday 7 December | 9.00am School Nurse Drop In Session (Literacy Recovery Room in the Library) |
| Thursday 7 December | 2.00pm PTA Christmas Fayre |
| Friday 8 December | 10.00am PTA Christmas Raffle Draw |
| Monday 11 December | Yr R Christmas Concert for Parents/Carers 2.00pm School Hall |
| Tuesday 12 December | Yr 1 Christmas Concert for Parents/Carers 2.00pm School Hall |
| Wednesday 13 December | Yr 2 Christmas Concert for Parents/Carers 2.00pm School Hall |
| Wednesday 13 December | 7.30pm PTA AGM at Les Douvres Hotel |
| Thursday 14 December | Yr R, 1 & 2 Infant Christmas Party |
| Friday 15 December | Yr 3 & 4 Lower Juniors Christmas Party |
| Friday 15 December | Yr 5 Nativity for Parents/Carers 2.00pm at St Martins Church |
| Monday 18 December | Yr 5 & 6 Upper Juniors Christmas Party (swimming costumes required) |
| Tuesday 19 December | 1.00pm Term Ends – NO SCHOOL BUS AT 1.00PM |

SPRING TERM 2018

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| Thursday 4 January | Term starts for Pupils |
| Wednesday 10 January | Yr 6 11+ Practice Paper |
| Tuesday 16 January | Yr 6 11+ Paper 1 |
| Tuesday 23 January | Yr 6 11+ Paper 2 |
| Wednesday 24 January | 9.00am School Nurse Drop In Session (Literacy Recovery Room in the Library) |
| Monday 19 February to Friday 23 February | HALF TERM |
| Wednesday 28 March | 1.00pm End of Term – NO SCHOOL BUS AT 1.00PM |