

Nearly 11 weeks into  
2024 already!

Check out the class blogs for more  
up-to-date information about your  
child's class!

## OFSTED

Trimley St Martin is very proud to announce that our official outcome from our Ofsted visit is that TSM is a good school. From the last Ofsted in 2018 the school has made many changes and improvements and the hard work of staff and children over this time needs to be celebrated!

Why our school is good:

- Pupils enjoy coming to school
- They are happy and safe
- The school has high expectations for pupils' academic and personal development
- The school has carefully designed a curriculum that enables pupils to build their knowledge from the early years to Year 6
- The school has made sure that teachers know how to teach the curriculum well. Teachers plan suitable learning activities that enable pupils to deepen their thinking
- The curriculum in the early years is ambitious
- The school quickly identifies pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Pupils with SEND have personalised learning plans and pupils with SEND achieve well
- Governors know the school well; they have clear oversight of the school's strengths and current areas of development
- Parents value the work of the school. Comments such as, 'This is an excellent school. Both of my children are very happy here,' are typical

What does the school need to do to improve?

- Refine the curriculum plans in French, Geography and computing to ensure that these identify precisely the key knowledge and skills that pupils should know and remember
- Ensure that all teachers provide pupils with opportunities to write at length and to practise the skills being taught in English to improve the quality of pupils' written work across the full range of subjects

Our full report can be found on the Ofsted website: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/124614>

Spring Timetables and Knowledge Organisers  
can be found on class web pages-

Reception-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/donaldson.html>

Year 1-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/earhart.html>

Year 2-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/nightingale.html>

Year 3-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/attenborough.html>

Year 4-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/hamilton.html>

Year 5-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/irwin.html>

Year 6-

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/mandela.html>

If you have anything that you  
would like to advertise on the  
community board, please email  
it to

[office@trimley-st-  
martin.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@trimley-st-martin.suffolk.sch.uk)

Good quality pre-loved uniform  
available at the office



# Spring PE Timetable

## Jan 2024

Please note: - whenever you receive a new dates sheet, it replaces the previous date sheet. This is now the most up to date list of school dates.

### Spring Term

Thurs 4 Jan	School Starts
Fri 5 Jan	Goodbye Mr Childs!
Fri 5 Jan	Maths and Reading Assembly
Mon 8 Jan	Xtretime Sports Development Ltd- PE lessons and sports club start
Mon 8 Jan	Year 5 swimming starts
Tues 9 Jan	PTA meeting
Thurs 11 Jan	School Ambassador training
Fri 12 Jan	Pastor James (Waldringfield Baptist church) starts fortnightly assemblies
Wed 17 Jan	Year 5 Sport Activity morning
Thurs 18 Jan	School Census Day- Winnie the Pooh themed dinner menu
Wed 31 Jan	Year 5 Sport Activity morning
Wed 7 Feb	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
Fri 9 Feb	Safer Internet Day
Wed 14 Feb	Reception Sport Activity morning
Wed 14 Feb	ITFC Football Competition

### **Mon 19 Feb- Friday 23 February HALF TERM**

Mon 26 Feb	School Starts...
Wed 28 Feb	U11 Ten Pin Bowling Interschool Competition
Thurs 29 Feb	Basketball Interschool Competition
Tues 5 March	Clip N Climb Event
Wed 6 March	Year 3 Sport Activity morning
Thurs 7 March	World Book Day
Fri 8 March	U10 Interschool Football Festival
Mon 11 March	Science Week
Wed 13 March	Year 2 and Reception PE swap from Friday 16th
Thurs 14 March	Football Interschool Competition
Fri 15 March	Red Nose Day- Non-School Uniform
Fri 15 March	Year 6 Sport Activity morning
Tues 19 March	Thomas Wolsey Theatre- Hare and the Tortoise (In school theatre visit)
Wed 20 March	Cross Country Competition- Royal Hospital School
Wed 20 March	Book Fair
Wed 27 March	Year 2 Sport Activity morning
Wed 27 March	Year 4 Norwich Theatre

### **Fri 29<sup>th</sup> March- Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> April EASTER HOLIDAYS**

Fri 12 April	PD Day
Mon 15 April	School Starts...
Mon 13 May	KS 2 SATS Week
Mon 20 May	KS 1 Assessment Period
Mon 3 June	PD Day- No School
Mon 10 June	Year 1 Phonic Screening Week
Tues 4- 14 June	Year 4 Multiplication Testing Weeks

Please remember that the school car park is for staff ONLY!  
Keep our children safe and do not use the school entrance as a turning point!

## Trimley St Martin – Weekly Timetable (Physical Education) Jan 2024


8:45 - 9:00	9:05	9:30-10:30		10:45 - 11:45	11:30 - 1:00	1-1:30	1:30 - 2:30	2:30 - 3:30	3:30-4:30
M			9:30 - 11:10 <b>Swimming</b> <b>Irwin</b> Y3		<b>Lunch (Sports Leaders &amp; Mini Clubs)</b>		<b>Donaldson</b> YR	<b>Nightingale</b> Y2	<b>KS1</b> <b>Sports Club</b>
T	9:05	9:30- 10:30 <b>Hamilton</b> Y4 <i>Mr Cremer</i>	<b>Playtime</b>	10:45 - 11:45 <b>Attenborough</b> Y3 <i>Mr Cremer</i>					
W	8:45-9:00	9:30- 10:30 <b>Activity Morning</b>		10:45 - 11:45 <b>Activity Morning</b>			1:30 - 2:30 <b>Teacher Release</b>	2:30 - 3:30 <b>Mandela</b> Y6	3:30-4:30 <b>KS1</b> <b>Sports Club</b>
T	8:45-9:00	9:30- 10:30 <b>Attenborough</b> Y3		10:45 - 11:45 <b>Earhart</b> Y1			1:30 - 2:30 <b>Mandela</b> Y6	2:30 - 3:30 <b>Irwin</b> Y5	3:30-4:30 <b>KS2</b> <b>Sports Club</b>
F	8:45-9:00	9:30- 10:30 <b>Donaldson</b> YR		10:45 - 11:45 <b>Nightingale</b> Y2			1:30 - 2:30 <b>Hamilton</b> Y4	2:30 - 3:30 <b>Earhart</b> Y1	3:30-4:30 <b>KS2</b> <b>Sports Club</b>


## Up & Coming Events-

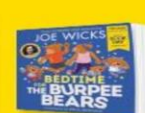
Spring 2024- More info to follow


## World Book Day


### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024












































  
Small book only

  
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# SCIENCE

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.....  
A week of fun filled, exciting Science.....



**StarlightSTEM**  
SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS

WEEK




**Red Nose Day**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

- ✓ Wear something RED or as if you have just rounded out of bed- come to school in your PJs!!
- ✓ (or Non-school uniform)
- ✓ Bring in £1 donation and help smash last years donations of £35,310,407




**New Wolsey Theatre School Visit**  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

- Coming to TSM for the whole day- production of Hare & the Tortoise
- Reception and Key Stage 1- morning performance
- Key Stage 2- afternoon performance
- From the New Wolsey Schools Touring Theatre team

Meet two competing friends in this fantastic adaptation of Aesop's fable: a story about racing, opposites, time, friendship and the excitement of growing up. From sun-shining spring to snow-falling winter, we bring you this much loved story brimming with ideas, characters, live music and wonderful physicality.

Hare

and TORTOISE

By **Brendan Murray**



## Welcome to the Team

Joining the TSM staff team. We warmly welcome:

Miss Wilkinson into Reception and Year 2 as one of our newest Teaching Assistants.

Xtratime- our current PE providers. The Xtratime team at Trimley St Martin are Mr C West, Mr M West and Mr Steward. Check out their website at <https://xtratimesportsdevelopment.co.uk/default.aspx>

Starting in April in her new role as our school SENDCo will be Mrs Thornton

## Current School Vacancies

Trimley St Martin Primary School is looking for new team members to join the TSM family.

Could this be you or someone you know?

All details of current vacancies and applications can be found on our current vacancy page:

<http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/current-vacancies.html>

## Pupil Premium-FSM

The school receives additional funding based on the number of children receiving Free School Meals. Being entitled to Free School Meals doesn't mean that your child MUST have school dinners, they can remain as a packed lunch. The school will however will receive additional funding that is used to run interventions and buy additional resources etc that support all children (Not just children who receive Free School Meals).

To see if you are eligible and/or to apply:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals>

## Bag packs in Key stage 1

Each child throughout Reception and Key Stage were gifted one of the new school book bags which has revolutionised our reading sessions. Children place their book bags into their named trays within the classroom and then can quickly retrieve them when needed. They can also fit perfectly into our reading boxes so that adults can then change books. We are however seeing a creeping in of very large ruck sacks which are causing trip hazards specially down the corridor in the Year 1 and Year 2 activity area. We kindly ask that large ruck sacks are not used in Key stage 1.

## Gate Reminder

- ✓ Gates will open at 8:45am
- ✓ Children are dropped off at the school gate and make their way into class (Reception parents can drop off here or take children to the door of the reception class).
- ✓ Children can arrive anytime between 8:45 – 9:00am
- ✓ Gates will shut at 9:00am
- ✓ Latecomers will need to enter the school via the front office
- ✓ **Children are marked late if they are not in school by 9:05am and unauthorised after 9.15am**

We are having a selection of children arriving to school late each day this is quite disruptive for the child(ren) themselves but also to the class who start their learning at 9.05 straight after the register is taken. In line with the Suffolk County Attendance Policy and procedures the local authority will issue [penalty notices](#) where a pupil:

- has an unauthorised absence during a school term. **This can include persistently being late for school.**
- is stopped with parents/carers during a truancy sweep and the absence is not authorised by the school

The penalty is:

- £60 if paid within 21 days
- £120 if paid between 21 and 28 days



## Parking

Our number one priority is ensuring that children are safe walking in, out and around the school premises. Motorists should be more cautious and think before they park when parking near to schools. Inconsiderate parking causes congestion and also endangers lives. All motorists should be cautious and think before they park.

### The Current Problem

- Vehicles causing congestion in the vicinity of our schools by obstructing the road, or parking in an inconsiderate manner
- Vehicles parked on keep clear markings and Zigzag markings outside schools
- Parents and guardians dropping their child off to school and parking in the middle of the road
- Parents parking on footways
- Parents parking across dropped kerbs or neighbour's driveways
- Parents or staff who are challenging poor driving/parking receiving verbal abuse
- Parent using the car park entrance as a place to carry out a three-point turn.

### The Solution

- Do not park on 'Keep Clear' markings
- Do not park on Zigzag markings
- Do not wait in the bay outside school (unless a blue badge holder)
- Be considerate and do not stop in the middle of the road
- Do not park on the footway
- Do not park across dropped kerbs
- Do not confront others about their parking
- Slow down! Speed kills!

## Parking

As Headteacher, I am responsible for the children's safety inside the school perimeter and although I have no powers outside the school gates, I do have a moral duty to ensure that pupils from this school are not put in unnecessary danger by drivers as they leave our care.

I am aware that parking outside the school is difficult, however, the road markings are there for safety reasons. I cannot change the road layout, build a car park or manage the traffic outside the building.

Next week and the following weeks, I will be asking the police and the Highways Agency to do regular patrols around the school. This is an issue for most schools, many of whom were built long before the inventions of cars and so this issue is not unique to this school. This is not a new problem. Parking outside the school has been an issue from at least the last 27 years (as long as I have been here).

Felixstowe and its surrounding area is part of the East Suffolk Council reporting system. To report illegal parking and/or dangerous driving please head to:

[https://my.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/service/Parking\\_contravention\\_report](https://my.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/service/Parking_contravention_report)

Thank you,

Mrs Ross