

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

Sports Day

We have pre-booked sunshine for Tuesday 25th June for our sports day. If the weather decides to change our plans, we will send out a text at the earliest opportunity and arrangements for an alternative day will be made. Children compete in their coloured House Teams, if you are unsure which team your child is in, please ask their class teacher. A reminder will be sent out closer to the event with all the information needed.

Summer Days

With the summer sun hopefully on its way, we advise that children come to school prepared wearing sun cream and a hat. Please clearly label the hat (School hats available from the office). If sun cream is brought into school, this needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name on and kept in their school bag. As a school we cannot help to put sun cream on and nor should children share their sun cream with others.

School Dinners

Due to Vertas (our catering provider) increasing the cost of school meals, the School has had to take the unwanted decision to increase, the prices of Key Stage 2 paid for dinners. From 15th April, KS 2 paid for dinners will be £2.60.

Pre-loved Uniform Sale

Ms Rowe will be selling summer items (dresses, shorts, PE kits etc.) on the school playground after school on Tuesday 16th April.... Pop a long for a look!

Holidays

- ✓ Under DfE and Suffolk Attendance Policies no holidays taken within the school term will be authorised and All unauthorised holidays will be fined

The penalty is:

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

Activity Afternoons

For the summer term, Wednesday afternoons will be activity afternoons with Xtratime. Each class will be timetabled in for an afternoon of sport and an opportunity to get into our wildwood area. Children to come to school in clothing suitable for sports and time in our wildwood area.

House Point Reward Afternoon

The two teams who collected the most House Points in the Autumn and Spring terms were Team Water (Blue) and Team Light (Yellow). For this amazing achievement, both teams have a reward afternoon on Tuesday 23rd April. Those in the Blue and Yellow teams can come to school in non-school uniform.

Summer 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

Please remember that the school car park is for **STAFF ONLY!**
Wrap Around Care parents/carers are asked **NOT** to pull into the staff car park!



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.

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Summer Term

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| Mon 15 April | First Day of Summer Term |
| Tues 16 April | Year 1 Extra PE |
| Tues 16 April | Whole School Music Sharing Assembly |
| Tues 16 April | KS2 Accelerated Reader Treat |
| Tues 16 April | Pre-Loved Uniform Sale- Playground |
| Wed 17 April | Year 3 School Farm and County Fair- Suffolk Show |
| Wed 17 April | Year 4 Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Tues 23 April | Open the Book Assembly |
| Tues 23 April | Year 3 Extra PE |
| Tues 23 April | Blue and Yellow House Team Reward Afternoon |
| Wed 24 April | Reception Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Thurs 25 April | Trampolining Event- Felixstowe School- TBC |
| Fri 26 April | Pastor James Assemblies start |
| Mon 29-Fri 3 | Parents Evenings- Reception- Year 5 |
| Tues 30 April | Kittle Photographers- Class photos |
| Tues 30 April | Year 4 Extra PE (Bring PE kit to school due to photos) |
| Wed 1 May | Year 3 Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Thurs 2 May | Reception Visit to Foxburrow Farm |
| Fri 3 May | GEM and Reading & Maths Celebration Assembly |
| Mon 6 May | Bank Holiday- School Closed |
| Tues 7 May | Year 2 Extra PE |
| Tues 7 May | School Choir Performance to parents (those with children in the choir) |
| Wed 8 May | Year 5 Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Mon 13- Fri 17 | Year 6 SATs Week |
| Tues 14 May | Year 5 Extra PE |
| Mon 20 May | School Association Meeting |
| Tues 21 May | Reception Extra PE |
| Wed 22 May | Year 6 Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |

Mon 27 May– Fri 31 May Half Term

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| Mon 3 June | PD Day- School Closed |
| Tues 4 June | School Starts..... |
| Tues 4- Fri 14 | Y4 Multiplication Screening Test |
| Tues 4 June | Year 6 Extra PE |
| Wed 5 June | Year 1 Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Thurs 6 June | PTA Father's Day Wrap |
| Fri 7 June | PTA Father's Day Wrap |
| Mon 10- Thurs 14 | Y5 Thorpewoodlands Visit |
| Tues 11 June | Year 2 Phonic Testing (Retests) |
| Tues 11 June | Year 3 Extra PE |
| Wed 12 June | Sports for Schools Athlete Visit |
| Thurs 13 June | Year 1 Phonic Screening Testing |
| Fri 14 June | Year 1 Phonic Screening Testing |
| Mon 17 June | Year 5 St Albans Visit |
| Tues 18 June | Year 1 Extra PE |
| Tues 18 June | New Reception Parent Meeting- 2.30pm |
| Wed 19 June | Reception Activity Afternoon- sport and wildwood afternoon |
| Tues 25 June | Sports Day |
| Wed 26 June | Year 6 Felixstowe School Transition Day |
| Thurs 27 June | Year 6 Felixstowe School Transition Day |
| Fri 28 June | Year 2 Africa Alive Visit |
| Fri 28 June | PTA Disco |
| Mon 1 July | Year 6 Farlingaye High School Transition Day |
| Mon 1 – Fri 5 | Y6 Activity Week |
| Tues 2 July | Year 2 Extra PE |
| Tues 2 July | Whole School Music Sharing Assembly |
| Wed 3 July | New Reception Morning Visit |
| Tues 9 July | Year 5 Extra PE |
| Tue 9 July | U11 Quadkids Competition |

Transition

Transition Arrangements

In order to improve the progress of the children within the first half term of the academic year we are looking closely at transitions from class to class. We are paying particular attention to the transition between Reception and Year 1, Year 2 to Year 3 and the Year 6 to Year 7 as these are key points where there is a considerable difference to the teaching approaches used.

From June onwards, children will be given new English and Maths exercise books, which they will take with them to their new classes in September. The idea is that the new class teachers will be able to see what standards were being achieved by the pupils and then build on these as soon as they arrive in their new classes.

It will also act as a reminder for the children as we will be able to say to them... "Last year you managed to produce work of that quality so we expect you to improve on that from this point forward".

On the morning of July, 17th pupils will meet their new class teachers and visit their new classroom.

School Open Night (July 16th – evening) will be a chance for you to come in and see the work produced by your children over the whole school year.

As with this year, after the first week of the Autumn term you will be invited in to have a group parent meeting with

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| Last week of May R/1 | Informal Transition for Year R Reception teacher and Year 1 teacher to liaise to organise two 1 hour lessons where the current Year R have sessions in the Year 1 class. (arrange dates for Summer 2) | |
| End of May | Preparation of books Transition books will be delivered to classes for use start after ½ term. | |
| First week of Summer Term 2 all years | Allocation of new exercise books First day of Summer Term 2 allocate new exercise books for English and Maths. Set expectations and standards; margins in books, date underlined, handwriting, setting out in maths etc..... Store all exercise books completed so far until end of term | |
| Throughout Summer Term 2 all years | Administration Staff need to make sure they have up to date lists and information for the following areas, as this will need to be shared at the teacher > teacher transition meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SEND Information & needs with provision in place - Safeguarding information - Reading book level/AR Level - Groupings - Interventions | |
| Tues 18 th June 2:30 – 3:30pm | New Reception In-take Parents Meeting Parents come along to a meeting led by HT and Reception teachers HT will introduce and talk about the general ethos of the school. Mrs. Ross will then talk through life in the Reception class. Opportunity to try school dinners. | |
| Week of 1 st July all years | Moderation Cross key stage moderation using exemplars. SLT to agree sub section of levels before final submission. | |
| Wed 3 rd July 9:15 – 11:30am New YR | NEW Reception Induction day 1 – Morning only (No Lunch) | |
| Wednesday 17 th July 9.15-12.30pm New YR | Reception Induction day 2 – Morning and lunch New Year R >> Year 6 >> Mr. West and sport activities etc... opportunity for YR/Y6 buddies | |
| Wednesday 17 th July 9.15-10.30pm all years | Transition Assembly & Transition Morning All pupils meet for assembly where they are introduced OFFICIALLY to their new teachers for September and then spend the morning in their new classes. Current Year 6 – 9.15- 10.30am P.E. & 10.50- 12.00 with YR buddies- Sport etc with Mr. West in the hall/field | |

Notes and reminders

Dinner Money Payments

School dinners have risen again this year to £2.60 per meal for Key Stage 2 children.

We are trying to improve the procedures we have in school regarding dinner money and payments. All KS2 parents who have downloaded the ParentMail App can pre-pay and pay for meals.

If you have not downloaded the App yet:

Apple:

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/iris-parentmail/id937274547?platform=iphone>

Android:

https://play.google.com/store/search?q=ParentMail&c=apps&hl=en_GB&gl=US

The App will send out weekly payment reminders to keep you up to date with debt ad credit on your accounts.

We are also looking at an online payment system where you can pay for school dinners, school uniform and trips via a Suffolk County Council Payment system. Once we have full details on how this system works, we are up, and running information will be sent out.

Pupil Premium - FSM

In an ever-changing financial world, it is important that all our families get the support they may need.

Even if you are not sure, it may be worth trying!

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

Children in both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 can receive free school meals and is worth an additional £100 per year for school purchases (uniforms, trips etc).

Lost Property

The lost property box (located just by the office entrance) is now overflowing with jumpers, jackets, hats and the odd lunchbox. If you are missing any uniform, please pop along and collect!

Good news!!



The first piece of good news is that we have managed to secure some funding to improve our play equipment on the field. Hopefully, this will be something that will be completed over the summer term and children will soon have a wonderful new gym trail on the field to keep us fit and entertained at lunchtimes.



The second piece of good news is that we have secured additional funding to replace all the cisterns in all the children's toilets. These cisterns are at least 30 years old and were in desperate need of replacement. Children will return to school on the 15th April and all will be in full operation.

Governors needed

The role of a Governor is quite challenging and does require some time commitment. However, it is very rewarding and quite an exciting time as things are changing quite rapidly here at Trimley St Martin. An email about applying to be a Parent Governor has already been sent out and there is still time to apply.

Finally and Again!

PARKING

On the 14th April at approximately 3.20pm, a parent reversing into the layby hit one of our children's older siblings. On this occasion, the child was not hurt, however this could have been a very different outcome and I could have been writing about a serious or fatal accident outside of school.

It is vital that all drivers drive and park sensibly to ensure the safety of every one of our school community!

The SAFETY of our Children depends on YOU!

Please avoid these common, yet dangerous, traffic incidents and do your part to keep everyone safe.

INCREASE PUPIL VISIBILITY and DECREASE TRAFFIC CONGESTION

