

News Update

NEWSLETTER: Oct 22

It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of our first half term and the children have been in school for 6 weeks. In such a short space of time the children have demonstrated resilience, perseverance and hard work. I would personally like to thank each and every child for such a great start to this academic year.

Mrs Ross
Head teacher

Arrangements for future events

Maths afternoons: from 2.30pm- due to staffing logistics there has been some changes from our original timings

- ✓ Monday 17th Oct- Y4 & Y6
- ✓ Tuesday 18th Oct- YR, Y1 and Y2 (Y2 will be in hall)
- ✓ Wed 19th Oct- Y3 and Y5

Parent Evenings: Week beginning Monday 7th November- an opportunity to see how your child has settled into their new year group.

Parents can book a 5 minute face to face meeting with their class teacher through our ParentMail App. Appointments will become available from 19th Oct and booked up to 31st Oct. Parents will receive notification from ParentMail when bookings become active.

- ✓ Mon 7th Nov- Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
- ✓ Tues 8th Nov- YR, Y1 & Y2
- ✓ Wed 9th Nov- YR, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y5
- ✓ Thurs 10th- Y6

Uniform

Both new and **pre-loved** uniform can be purchased from the school office. **Please remember the PE uniform has been updated (see attached pictures) and no longer includes track suits or multi coloured outfits.**

We have listened to parents and have made enquires into a coloured (rather than white) PE top. Details to follow- we can confirm there will be no price increase!

We have last years Reception (now Year 1) wet weather gear all bagged up and available for collection. Please pop into the office and you will be shown where to collect. Any uncollected outfits/wellies etc. will be recycled for use in Reception and added to our Pre-loved uniform sale. Please come and collect ASAP!!!!

Holidays

In line with the DfE and schools across Suffolk, all holidays will be unauthorised and likely to entail a fine. Due to Covid many schools have not used the fining process, however from September our Absence Policy will be followed including the unauthorisation of holidays and the relevant fine.

A few notices

Communication

Families are welcome to visit the school to discuss their child's progress, ask questions, and gain support or to have the opportunity to talk about their child/home issues with their child's class teacher first, then Mrs Lawrence for SEND and Ms Rowe for Pastoral. In every first instance the class teacher should be the first point of contact. Outside of teaching their designated class all staff have additional duties which they perform either before school, during break/lunch or after school. These duties will include care of children, organisation of extra-curricular activities or whole-school coordination of a curriculum subject. We aim to be able to facilitate requests for an immediate meeting, however for the reasons stated above, when this is not possible, staff may not be able to facilitate an immediate, unscheduled appointment but will aim to do so within 5 school days. Arranging a mutually convenient appointment allows the school time to organise cover (if needed) to make staff available to speak to the families and to gather any necessary information prior to the meeting. This process will make the meeting much more conducive.

Messages at the gate

Members of staff will be on the school gate from 8.45am where messages for class teachers or other school adults can be passed on. **Teachers at this time are normally working with the children already in the classroom.**

Electronic Information

The school subscribes to ParentMail, Tapestry and Seesaw allowing us to send letters and messages to families. Not only is this more environmentally friendly as it decreases paper usage, it also reduces photocopying and other costs in the school. We urge families to provide us with a valid email address if you are not already receiving emails/messages from ParentMail, Tapestry (Reception only) or Seesaw.

Families are encouraged to use our school e-mail as a means of providing a quick, effective way of communicating information about their child or to arrange a meeting with their teacher.

Families are reminded that teachers have little to no time during their teaching day to check Seesaw or Tapestry and therefore requests which require immediate or quick action should not be sent via this communication method. For example, messaging your child's teacher to inform them you will be collecting them for an appointment or to change pick-up arrangements is not appropriate due to the high likelihood that the message will not be read in time. It is important that families telephone the school office with this information.

All communications requiring an answer should be responded to within 3 school days. Staff are not expected to, and are discouraged from, checking and responding to messages outside of their working day. However, staff are encouraged to work flexibly and respond to messages in a way that suits them to balance their working hours. Staff do not expect families to read, respond or action messages outside hours that suit them either.

Emails, Tapestry and Seesaw does not replace face to face meetings where some discussion is required. All staff should seek face to face communications, when electronic communication is not the most effective form of communication. Staff and families are discouraged from entering into in-depth discussions about a child's progress or well-being via our electronic communication systems.

Telephone calls

Inbound: All telephone calls will be answered by staff in the main office. It is our policy that office staff do not interrupt teaching for staff to answer a telephone call unless it is an emergency. Messages are taken and forwarded to the relevant person. If the call requires a response from a member of staff, we aim to do this within 3 working days.

Outbound: Telephone calls will be made where immediate contact with a family member is required i.e. for injuries or accidents. A member of staff will call the first named emergency contact as listed. Where no contact is made, a call will then be made to the second named contact and so forth. In the event that no live contact can be made, the member of staff will either leave an answer phone message or ensure that repeat calls continue to be made to the contact numbers, where possible.

School Website

The school website <http://www.trimleystmartinprimaryschool.com/> provides an opportunity to share information about the school and is an opportunity to promote the school to a wider audience.

Allergies in school

Notices

We have two children who are extremely allergic to peanuts (one allergic reaction could result in anaphylaxis). We kindly ask that children do not have peanut butter sandwiches or foods that clearly state contains nuts.

On-Line Safety

The safeguarding team are receiving an increasing and alarming number of reports about children discussing games and videos that they are watching that in some instances are 18s and even contain adult content including violence, sex and extremely bad language. If you need advice about on-line safety the following websites contain some very good advice:

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

<https://www.childnet.com/>

Huggy Wuggy?

Poppy Playtime is a PC horror games that involves a mystery in an abandoned toy factory. As the player, you roam around the factory and collect VHS tapes to solve the mystery. You must solve puzzles while trying to survive the “vengeful toys” left behind. “Huggy Wuggy” is one of the game’s most popular and visually disturbing characters- characters are giant, horrifying blue creatures with bulging eyes, wide red lips, and long limbs who appear in the dark and try to catch you. If you get caught, Huggy Wuggy bears his wide and sinister grin and eats you.

Although Poppy Playtime was released over a year ago, there has been a recent surge in the creation of Huggy Wuggy- related content on line (which can be very graphic), alongside reported playground style play which in some cases has really scared some of our younger children.

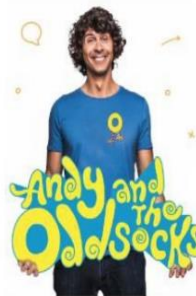
With the popularity of this game toy makers have jumped on the band wagon and made Huggy Wuggy toys, we kindly ask that these toys are not brought into school.

Parking

We kindly ask that those who drive to and from school (especially as number of cars will increase as the winter months hit) park in a place that will not cause an obstruction or danger to our school community. The office is receiving daily reports of cars being parked up on the double lines outside the school. As parking and roads are governed by the Highways Agency and the Police the school has little power other than to advise parents and visitors to the school that parking on double yellow lines is illegal and if caught by the police or traffic warden could result in a fine and penalty points.

We also ask that the layby is only used for immediate drop off only, where parents need to get out of their cars to enter into the playground for example, they do not park in the layby. We have a selection of blue badge holders who also need direct access via the layby into the school grounds.

As events are planned, we will send out information nearer the event



Friendship Week

14th-18th November 2022



The theme this year is 'Reach Out.' It is organised by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and they have set the following key aim:

"let's reach out and show each other the support we need".

Bullying affects millions of lives and can leave us feeling hopeless. But it doesn't have to be this way. If we challenge it, we can change it. And it starts by reaching out. From teachers to parents and politicians, we all have a responsibility to help each other reach out.

Together, let's be the change we want to see. Reflect on our own behaviour, set positive examples and create kinder communities.

On Friday 18th to finish the week and to support Children in Need too, we will have a non-school uniform day.

The only rule is to wear something with Odd Socks. & bring in a donation.

Christmas Carol Concert

10th December 6pm at Kirton Village Hall

Trimley St Martin School Choir
& The Ipswich Gilbert and Sullivan Society



TSM School Choir –

Mrs Cockerill is very much over subscribed..(which is amazing!) Unfortunately we do not have any more spaces available for the time being.

Please ensure your child is in their P.E. kit for PE days

Don't forget to add names to school clothing!

The Sports Box

HOME

COURSES

ONLINE BOOKING

MEET THE TEAM

VALUES



The Sports Box

Helping to provide sporting opportunities in Suffolk

Inspiring the next generation...

TSM Sports Club –

Mr Childs is taking new bookings for his clubs on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday after school and Sunday mornings.

For details and how to book please go to:

<https://www.thesportsbox.net/>

TSM Uniform

Royal Blue Jumper
TSM £11 / £15
Non TSM £5.50 / £7

Royal Blue Cardigan
TSM £11 / £15
Non TSM £9 / £11

Royal Blue Hoodie
TSM £15 / £19
Non TSM £9 / £11

Royal Blue Polo
TSM £8.50 / £10
Non TSM £5.50 / £7

White Polo
TSM £8.50 / £10
Non TSM £3.50

Plain White Shirt / Blouse
Non TSM £5 / £7

Summer Dress
Non TSM £5 / £9

Charcoal Grey Trousers
Non TSM £7 / £10

Charcoal Grey Shorts / Charcoal Grey KNEE LENGTH Skirt
Non TSM £7 / £10

Charcoal Grey Jogging Bottoms
Non TSM £7 / £10

Black Flat Shoes

Grey Tights

OR
Royal Blue Tights

Black Trainers (no colour)

Black Shoes

White/Black/Grey Socks

Seasonal Options

White/Black/Grey Sandals with socks

All school clothing has an embroidered school logo.
Non TSM clothing prices have been sourced online and do not have an embroidered or printed school logo.

TSM Sports Kit

White t-shirt
TSM £5.50 / £7.50
Non TSM £3 / £5

Royal Blue Hoodie
TSM £15 / £19
Non TSM £9 / £11

Royal Blue Jumper
TSM £11 / £15
Non TSM £5.50 / £7

Royal Blue Cardigan
TSM £11 / £15
Non TSM £9 / £11

Royal Blue Shorts
TSM £5.50
Non TSM £5 / £7

Royal Blue Summer Hat
TSM £5.00
Non TSM £4 / £7

Black/Charcoal Grey Jogging Bottoms

Sports Trainers for P.E. (any)

Royal Blue Book Bag
TSM £5.00
Non TSM £5 / £7

Black Leggings

PE/Trainer Bag
TSM £5.00
Non TSM £5 / £7

Swim shorts (above knee) / trunks or fitted shorts
ANY COLOUR

Black plimsolls

Swimming Hat
TSM £3.00
Non TSM £2 / £8

1-piece swimming costume
ANY COLOUR

School P.E. t-shirts have a printed school logo.
Non TSM clothing prices have been sourced online and do not have an embroidered or printed school logo.

Trainers!

We will try to use the field as much as possible this term at playtimes & lunchtimes. To help keep shoes clean & new, we strongly suggest children in KS 2 bring in CLEARLY NAMED trainers that can be left at school for daily use. In the past we have suggested an old pair of trainers, this year we are suggesting that they come to school in a NAMED BAG too- perhaps an old football boot bag or one of our trainer bags from the school office.