

News Updates...

Mon 28 Oct	School Starts
Tues 29 Oct	Parents Evening- 3.40- 6pm
Thurs 31 Oct	Crucial Crew Visit- Year 6
Fri 1 Nov	Year 5 and 6 Sutton Hoo Visit
Wed 6 Nov	School Association Meeting- All Welcome
Thurs 7 Nov	Head Boy & Girl Interviews (Year 6)
Thurs 7 Nov	Parents Evening- 3.40- 7.30pm (Years- R, 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6)
Fri 8 Nov	Parents Evening- 3.40- 7.30pm (Y4)
Mon 11- 15 Nov	Friendship Week- "Change Starts with Us"
Wed 13 Nov	Y4/5/6 Tag Rugby Festival at TS Martin
Fri 15 Nov	PD Day- SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 19 Nov	Whole School Open the Book Assembly (school only)
Fri 22 Nov	Chocolate Non-School Uniform Day
Tues 26 Nov	Microbit Challenge- Colneis
Mon 2 Dec	Whole School Robotics Day- Led by Mr Edwards (school only)
Tues 3 Dec	Christmas Fete
Thurs 5 Dec	Christmas Dinner
Fri 6 Dec	School Association Christmas Market
Mon 9 Dec	Reading/Maths Assembly (school only)
Mon 9 Dec	Christmas Post Box
Tues 10 Dec	Dress Rehearsal to KS 2 (school only)
Wed 11 Dec	KS 1 Nativity Play
Thurs 12 Dec	KS 1 Nativity Play
Fri 13 Dec	Colchester Zoo Visit- Year 1
Fri 13 Dec	Whole School Gem Assembly (school only)
Fri 13 Dec	Movie Night TBC
Tues 17 Dec	KS 2 Christmas Concert
Wed 18 Dec	Whole School Carol Concert (school only)
Wed 18 Dec	Class Parties
Thurs 19 Dec	Class Parties

Seesaw/Tapestry

98% of our parents are now on Seesaw or Tapestry (EYFS). Seesaw and Tapestry is a fabulous way for teachers to:

- ✓ Share great work
- ✓ Show what has been happening in the class (I have seen some great pictures of our recent maths afternoons)
- ✓ Share class messages: by teachers (week ahead reminders, change of activities, requests etc personal to individual classes)
- ✓ Share handy hints for homework

I would however ask that if parents send teachers messages that they are very mindful, Seesaw/Tapestry are not designed for direct access to the class teacher (a few questions here and there is fine, but please do not expect immediate answers from them, especially in the evenings), however 3 members of staff have said they have recently had multiple messages at weekends and two had messages at inappropriate times (Sat at 10.35pm and Sunday at 11.45pm)

Safety

Trimley St Martin School is a no smoking site and this includes vaping. Please ensure that there is no smoking/vaping within any of the school grounds, including the field, car park and playground.

We have had reports of children riding dangerously on bikes outside of school. The school will address road safety in school, please help us by reminding children of the dangers of the road.

Be aware children as young as 4 are talking about "Five Nights @ Freddy's", this is a very mature and scary video game series. (Contains disturbing images, violent content and some inappropriate language)

Snacks

Trimley St Martin like many schools across the UK, follow the Governments Healthy Schools initiative which means deserts from the kitchen are low or sugar free. We are also part of the National Fruit and Veg scheme, where children from YR to Y2 are provided with a free snack. Children in Reception pay for additional snacks. Y1 & 2 parents can provide snacks for the afternoons and KS 2 parents for the mornings. In line with Health Schools we advocate a healthy snack (no crisps or chocolate). At lunchtimes crisps and chocolate covered snack bars are fine (no chocolate bars, please). Great examples for snack are: fruit, veg, cereal bars, cheese strings, yoghurt, sugar free fruit winders, uncoated popcorn.



Trimley St. Martin Primary School CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

Tuesday 3rd December – CHRISTMAS FAYRE 2.30pm

The Christmas Fayre organised by the school association will take place on the 3rd December. Parents are welcome from 2.30pm, KS 1 children from 3pm and KS 2 children from 3.30pm. Stalls will be in the hall, along with Father Christmas. Parents with younger children can come along, grab a cuppa and see Santa, before collecting siblings at the stated times.

Thursday 5th December - FESTIVE LUNCH

Christmas Songs playing in the background, Teachers eating lunch with their class – all this must mean Festive Lunch!

Booking forms will be sent out from the office shortly

Friday 6th December SCHOOL ASSOCIATION – PRESENT WRAPPING 'CHRISTMAS MARKET'

As with previous years, pupils will be able to purchase Christmas Presents for family members on the above day. The School Association will wrap the items with the children. Items cost– £3.00
Money and order forms will be dealt with in advance and need to be returned to school by the SA Deadline. Information will be sent out separately from the School Association to explain this process.

This letter was also emailed out to Parents. If you didn't receive a copy by email, please contact the school office.



Monday 9th December CHRISTMAS POSTBOX OPENS

On Monday 9th December, pupils may bring in their Christmas cards for their friends & teachers and post them in the school Christmas post-box. These will be sorted and distributed on the following week. Christmas cards should not arrive in school until the 9th and children will need to use the post box rather than handing them individually.

Wednesday 11th Dec & Thursday 12th Dec – THE INN-SPECTORS

The Christmas Nativity (Reception / Year 1 / Year 2) will take place on the 11th & 12th December 2019 at

2:15pm.

Parents / carers are invited to attend either session. There will be no ticketing, however, parents are encouraged to attend on one day only. Full costume photos will be taken and ready to be picked up on either day and there will be a bucket for collecting contributions to school funds. Any donations will be gratefully received.

Tuesday 17th December – CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

KS 2 children will take part in a mini Christmas Carol service within school.

Key Stage Two parents are welcome to attend from

2:15pm.

Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th December – CLASS PARTIES

Class Teachers will coordinate which food items to bring into school for the class party.

- Children may come to school wearing a Christmas T-Shirt or festive jumper (colour or design) and wear normal school trousers / skirt / shorts.

End of Term – Thursday 19th Dec
New term – Tuesday 7th Jan
(Monday 6th Teacher Training Day)