



MBA Newsletter

Good afternoon everyone,

This week saw our second MBA Prom, which followed an Enchanted Forest theme. The event was attended by pupils from Years 10 and 11, as well as our Sixth Form. All who attended enjoyed the delicious food, a mocktail bar and dancing to music provided by our very own in-house DJ—our site officer, Anthony. There were also some fantastic arrivals, including pupils travelling by vintage bus and sports cars!

Year 11 Pupils in Hawks Class are leaving us and beginning the next stage of their journey. We held a celebration assembly for all our Year 11 students to mark the occasion and would like to wish them all the very best for their future. I am sure they will continue to make everyone around them proud.

A group of Year 10 and 11 pupils visited Grafham Water this week and had a fantastic time. They all took part in indoor climbing before starting a raft-building session, which was briefly interrupted by a thunderstorm. During this time, they enjoyed archery in their wetsuits before returning to raft building and heading back to school.

As we look ahead to the end of term, you should have received information about the range of activities planned during Activities Week. Pupils will take part in a variety of events, both in and out of school. We will also be hosting a film festival, with each class creating their own movie.

A reminder that Friday 3rd July is a training day, and pupils will move into their new class groups from Monday 6th July.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mark Case
Assistant Principle





Quails - Discover

Teacher's Note

Quails have had a fantastic start to this half term and have settled back into their routines really well.

Classroom Highlights

The class has been doing a fantastic job of actively joining in with music and bucket sessions as a group.

What We're Learning

Phonics: We have been practising the sounds f, l, ff, ll, and ss, and applying these to both reading and spelling.

Literacy: We have been reading *The Rainbow Fish*. The children have been making sentences about the story using colourful semantics and following simple visual instructions to complete a related craft activity.

Maths: We have been learning about shapes. The children have been sorting shapes by colour, size, type, as well as identifying corners and sides.

Reminders

Swimming takes place on Tuesdays – please remember to send in swim kits.

Collins Hub: You can access your child's reading books online.

Thanks for
your
continued
support -
Ruth





Parrots - Discover

Teacher's Note

This term our topic continues based on Rainbows. The literacy book we are focusing on is 'Rainbow Fish' and with the weather changing from rain to sunshine, we have been keen to spot rainbows with the children.

Classroom Highlights

Parrot class did well communicating to a peer what size and coloured bug they wanted using words and a communication board in their sensory phonics activity. They passed a giant bug to a peer when asked to in their adult led activity. Great attention and listening skills Parrots.

What We're Learning

In Science, we explored colour mixing with food colouring in ice and milk. It was great to see the colours expand and make different patterns.

In Art, we made a coral reef and chose different material to glue, twist and paint to make it using a communication board.

In cooking, we made rainbow sandwiches using different coloured jams and learning how to express if we like it or not using our words, a communication board, non-verbal gestures or Makaton signing.

And finally, in math, our focus is sharing fairly or not and looking and identifying 2D shapes. Finding shapes in foam was fun!

Great work Parrot Class.

Reminders

Please don't forget to send in swimming and PE kits in on Tuesdays and Fridays including swimming nappies.

**Thanks for
your continued
support -
Amanda**





Blackbirds - Explore

Teacher's Note

The Blackbirds have been hardworking and a pleasure to teach. There are some great and supportive friendships within the group which demonstrates excellent maturity all round.

Classroom Highlights

We have had a most immersive 'show and tell' this week, students who have not presented before participated. All the learners were engaged in asking questions and discussed the items that were brought in.

What We're Learning

English: We have been doing comprehension work in English with students answering questions using sentences. The learners have been encouraged to be descriptive using adjectives, adverbs and similes.

Geography: We have been learning about France in Geography. This includes food, culture and landmarks.

Art: We have studied Islam in PRE and Islam Art and Patterns in Art.

Reminders

We have swimming lessons at Kings Hedges Learners pool on Monday afternoons, so please send in your child's swimming kit.

**Thanks for
your continued
support -
The Blackbirds
Team**



Parent Information

Dates for your diary

MBA Summer Fayre:
Saturday 27th June, 10.30
- 12pm

**Discover Pathway Sports
& Activities Day:**
Wednesday 1st July

**Explore & Adventure
Sports Day:** Friday 26th
June

**Training Day - School
closed:** Friday 3rd July

Reminders

If your child is unwell,
please contact the school
office by 8.30am by:

Phone: 01223 340800
pressing option 1 and
leaving a voicemail

Email:
[office@martinbacon.acade
my](mailto:office@martinbacon.academy).

We will update teachers
and the kitchen. If we do
not hear from you, your
child's absence will be
unauthorised.

FOMBA

Friends of Martin Bacon Academy Community WhatsApp Group

Scan this QR code using the WhatsApp camera to
join this community



[https://chat.whatsapp.com/
FqcQsvfiwcO0geDZ8bAARJ?mode=wwt](https://chat.whatsapp.com/FqcQsvfiwcO0geDZ8bAARJ?mode=wwt)

Upcoming Events

MBA Activities Week:
29th June - 2nd July

The Link Activities Week:
6th - 10th July

Makaton of the week

Please check out our
Makaton page on our
website
[https://www.martinbacon.
academy/category/makaton
-of-the-week/](https://www.martinbacon.academy/category/makaton-of-the-week/)



FOMBA



Raffle Donations

We are keen to receive any donations which can be used as raffle prizes for our summer fayre. Please can you contact the school office if you have any gifts, vouchers or services you would be happy to donate.

Pre-loved Uniform

If you have any pre-loved school uniform that your children may have outgrown, please drop off at the school office.

Parent Survey

Please find below a QR code which takes you to our parent survey which we would be very grateful if you could complete for us:

FoMBA – Fill in form





Parent information

Sports Day: Save The Date

Sports Day for Explore and Adventure Pathways will take place on Friday 26th June.

If you would like to attend the morning activities, please see the timings for your child's class below:

Buzzards & Penguins - 9:30-10:30am

Magpies, Puffins, Blackbirds - 10:50-11:50am

Jackdaws, Flamingos, Swans, 6th Form - 11:10-12:10pm

Sports and Activities Morning for Discover Pathway will be on Wednesday 1st July - more details to follow.



Northstowe
Martin Bacon Academy



Parent information

College of West Anglia 

Latest News from CWA - June 2026

**HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR PLACE YET
FOR APPLICANT WELCOME DAYS?**



MONDAY 29 JUNE & TUESDAY 30 JUNE

Our Applicant Welcome Days will give you a taste of college life, specifically for the course you've applied for. Applicant Welcome Days are the best possible way for you to understand what your college day will look like. As well as being a student for a day you will also:

- Meet the other people who have applied for your course
- Meet your lecturers
- See the facilities and classrooms
- Try out the catering available on campus
- Meet the mentor team

Booking a session
Our Applicant Welcome Days shall be taking place across all campuses with sessions happening over two separate days.
YOU ONLY NEED TO BOOK ONE SESSION.
Click the link below for more information and to book your place!
[Applicant Welcome Day](#)

**LATE APPLICANT EVENT
25 AUGUST 2026**

Are you looking to start college in September, but have not yet applied? Or have you applied for a course already, but would now like to explore other areas? Come along to our late applicant event and find out more about what CWA can offer you!

[Late Applicant Event - King's Lynn](#)
[Late Applicant Event - Wisbech](#)
[Late Applicant Event - Cambridge](#)

**SEE WHAT
YOU
CAN DO**





Parent Information

Please see below the new lunch menu for the Summer Term

SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026						
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	Phat Pasty Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Mild Mexican Chili with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Smokey Bean Burger with Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	NEW Banana Mousse	Orange Drizzle Cake	Fruit Platter	Apple Flapjack	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins
WEEK TWO	Option One	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Summer Mixed Salad	Beef Chili with Rice & Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa	Roasted Pork or Chicken Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Herby Rice, Tzatziki & Salad	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Spaghetti & Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce	Veg Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Herby Rice, Tzatziki & Salad	NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Peaches & Ice Cream	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Jam & Coconut Sponge with Custard	Oaty Cookie
WEEK THREE	Option One	Tomato Pasta	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges & Rainbow Slaw	Roast of the Day, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Chef Shipa's Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	NEW Chinese Vegetable Noodles	Mexican Bean Roll with New Potatoes & Rainbow Slaw	Vegetable Loaf with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	All Day Vegetarian Breakfast	Cowboy Sausage and Bean Hotpot
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Cheese & Crackers	Fruit Medley	Strawberry and Apple Crumble with Custard	Vanilla Shortbread
AVAILABLE DAILY: Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt						

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods, please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

Lunch options are put through daily by the teachers. If you have preferences on what your child should eat for lunch, please send it in an email to the office and we will pass on to the kitchen for you.

If your child has any food intolerances or allergies, please email office@martinbacon.academy to request the relevant allergen form.



Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

Training Day – 1st September 2025

Training Day – 2nd September 2025

First day of term: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Training day (Disaggregated) 24th October 2025

Half term: Monday 27th October – 31st October 2025

Training Day – 3rd November 2025

Last day of term: Friday 19th December 2025 (close at 1pm)

Spring Term 2026

Training day – 5th of January 2026

First day of term: Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half term: Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026

Last day of term: Friday 27th March 2026

Summer Term 2026

Training day – 3rd July 2026

First day of term: Monday 13th April 2026

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026

Half term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2026

Last day of term: Friday 17th July 2026

Disaggregated Training day – 20th of July 2026