



MBA Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Lessons in class are great, but make no bones about it, activities week is my favourite time of the year. Seeing the smiles on the learners faces, the awe in some of the younger learners seeing/ trying new activities, the persistence shown by some of our older learners and the burgeoning social skills that really have a chance to flourish in different environments.

Activities week takes a lot of time and dedication from a number of people in and out of school, from booking activities and coaches; planning, leading and supporting activities; and, sorting out who has a D1 on their driving license to drive the minibus borrowed from The Harbour School! A massive and sincere thank you to all staff in school, all of the families for supporting their learners to get the very best out of the week, and most importantly, to the learners themselves for making the week so fantastic - thank you!

This week has been almost as exciting as we transitioned to new classes and have been getting to know the new students and staff within them. This transition can be a cause of anxiety for our learners, so please do get in contact if there are things we can work on together to make it as smooth a transition as possible.

The student awards took place recently at CRC and our former student, Zeb, was awarded Student of the Year! This is an absolutely amazing achievement that is thoroughly deserved, as he is an incredibly kind, incredibly hard-working and incredibly curious person. Our current students have passed on our congratulations and said: "He is a lovely and cool guy, who we all really miss."

Many thanks,

Mike Jordan
Class Teacher/MLT - My Thinking

Magpies - Explore



Teacher's Note

Magpies have had a great start to transition week. The learners have been getting to know each other and playing games in small groups. The team are proud of the learners hard work and kindness to each other.

Classroom Highlights

Well done Brandon and Michael for adjusting so well to a new classroom.

Well done Magpies for showing kindness to each other.

Well done Magpies!

What We're Learning

Maths:

Magpies' learners have been continuing to practise times tables. They have used UNO cards to test their knowledge. This week learners have taken their learning outside and have been counting a range of different objects then putting the results in a tally chart.

Science:

This week we have been investigating what makes a paper airplane fly the furthest and what factors can improve how fast and straight it can fly.

English:

This week we have read watched cartoon adaptations of many Julia Donaldson books. The learners have really enjoyed The Highway Rat and Tabby McTat. Learners have also been focusing on inner and outer self and writing and drawing about themselves.

Reminders

Swimming: Mondays. Please remember to send your child in with their kit that day. Swimming will be at school next term.

Cooking: Thursday. We will let you know in advance if a container is required.

PE: Wednesday.



Thanks for
your
continued
support -
Magpies
Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to return from maternity leave and see all of our students again. I have received such a warm welcome back from both students and staff, and it has been lovely to reconnect with everyone.

I have particularly enjoyed seeing students making the most of Activities Week, showing great enthusiasm, resilience and positivity, especially while coping so well with the recent hot weather.

Students have now received their new timetables, and copies have been sent home in their bags. Please take some time to look through these together.

A reminder that we will be following Week B for the final week of term and again when we return in September.

Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 students for their transition visit at the end of the week and helping them begin their journey with us. We hope everyone enjoys the last week of term!

Best wishes,

Sarah Mepham
Assistant Principal





Parent Information

Dates for your diary

MBA Summer Fayre:
POSTPONED until
Saturday 12th September,
10.30 - 12pm

LAST DAY OF TERM:
FRIDAY 17TH JULY

First Day of Term:
Thursday 3rd September

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



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Upcoming Events

MBA Summer Party:
Wednesday 15th July (in
school, children only)

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/)





Parent information

Allergies and Intolerances

Our catering provider, Caterlink, has introduced a new Allergy and Intolerance Form which must be completed to ensure your child's dietary safety.

Please complete the form at the following link:

<https://rosmith.plumsail.io/75952965-23e0-4386-996e-24acfff97359?layout=beb774d6-bfc9-40c5-82cf-c394eb9e89f1>

Parent Survey

We would really appreciate if you could complete our Parent Survey which can be found at the following link:

[Parent / Carer Survey Summer 26 – Fill out form](#)

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets will still be valid for the postponed Summer Fayre on Saturday 12th September.

Dinner Money

Please make sure that any outstanding money owing for school lunches has been paid before the end of term, Thank you in advance.

Vaccinations

MBA/The Link Flu Vaccine: 28th September 2026

MBA/The Link Second Flu Vaccine: 12th October 2026



Northstowe
Martin Bacon Academy



Parent information



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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