

MBA Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is a busy term (when isn't it!) for our year 11 students in particular as they look to finish off their accreditation in a variety of different subjects. They should be proud of their achievements in an academic sense and even more importantly with their personal, social and communication development.

We have three students who are expected to achieve entry level 1 in maths, three students entry level 2 and 11 students entry level 3! We also have three students who sat their first GCSE maths paper yesterday and who should be really proud of their perseverance and never give up attitude when faced with some really tricky problems. Outcomes are never the important thing to focus on but are a reflection of the hard-work, curiosity and positive attitudes towards their maths.

As we progress to the summer months it is a good reminder of the wider curriculum and activities which can be enjoyed in and out of school, such as the, '99 Things to do before you're 15¾.' There are quite a few beach themed activities and great outdoor activities - if your child experiences any of these things outside of school, please take a photo and share it on EFL!

Mike Jordan
Class Teacher/My Thinking Lead





Jackdaws - Adventure

Harrison's Teacher's Note

Mike has had a very eventful half term.
We have been helpful and a little sympathetic.
It might help to know that I (Mike) broke my arm!

Josh's Classroom Highlight

We sold
salads and
have been
doing very
well.
Working hard
preparing for
a last half
term.
Enjoying our
wellbeing
walks in the
sun! Spotting
birds etc.

Aiden's What We're Learning

Maths - statistics

English - speaking +
listening

Science - Adaptations
in animals and plants

Pe - doing some
cricket

Cooking - Best way to
cook vegetables.

Shay's Reminders

June prom (year 10-14 students)
- Thursday 11th June 4-6pm
Summer Fayre - Saturday 27th
June 2026 10am-12:30pm

Sports day (for explore and
adventure classes) Thursday
25th June

Activities afternoon - (Jackdaws,
Hawks and Flamingos students
are planning activities for the
rest of the school!) - Friday 22nd
May 1:30-2:30



Thanks for
your continued
support -
Mike



Swans - Discover



Teacher's Note

What a wonderful term we have had in Swans Class! Our topic this term has been Rainbows, and the children have had a fantastic time exploring this theme across all areas of their learning.

Classroom Highlights

The highlight of our term has been Swans Class completing their gold environmental pledge by litter picking within the community, which turned into weekly fun park visits.

Thank you so much for your continued support. We hope you have a wonderful break and look forward to sharing more exciting learning with you next term.

What We're Learning

English: We read 'How Rainbows are formed', alongside 'Elmer and the Rainbow'. Our learners made great progress in developing their understanding, using colourful semantics to build sentences and using sequencing to retell the events.

Maths: We focused on matching and sorting, with the children exploring objects by their shape, colour, and size. We also had great fun continuing various patterns in different contexts such as music, stories, games and actions.

Touch and Taste: Our touch and taste sessions were great fun! We explored different textures, tried putting colours onto bread, and made our very own rainbow kebabs.

Science: We carried out a range of exciting science experiments all about rainbows. We investigated how rainbows form using shaving foam and food colouring, and explored colours and patterns through our magical appearing rainbow experiment.

Phonics

This term in phonics, we covered the sounds b, f, and l. To support this learning, we used sensory buckets to bring each sound to life.

Warm wishes,
The Swans
Class Team



Parent Information

Dates for your diary

Half Term Break: Monday 25th - Friday 29th May

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

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.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>

Upcoming Events

School Prom: Thursday 11th June, years 10, 11 and 6th Form

MBA Activities Week:
29th June - 2nd July

The Link Activities Week:
13th - 17th July

Makaton of the week

Please check out our Makaton page on our website
<https://www.martinbacon.academy/category/makaton-of-the-week/>





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Back to School
CENSUS MENU
21ST MAY
Chicken Nuggets
Cheese & Tomato
Pizza
with chips
Broccoli / Carrots
Marble Sponge

THE WORLD'S
LONGEST CARROT
WAS OVER 20 FEET
LONG — TALLER
THAN A BUS!

caterlink
feeding the imagination

Parent Information

Please see below the new lunch menu for the Summer Term

SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:
WEEK ONE	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	Phat Party Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fishfingers or Salmon, Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	Whole grain Plant based Added plant protein Chef's special
	Option Two	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Mild Mexican Chilli with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Smokey Bean Burger with Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Cheese & Bean Party 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	
	13/04/26 04/05/26 01/06/26 22/06/26 13/07/26						
WEEK TWO	Option One	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Summer Mixed Salad	Beef Chilli 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	
	20/04/26 11/05/26 08/06/26 29/05/26						
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	
	27/04/26 18/05/26 15/06/26 06/07/26						
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