



MBA Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the recent bright, sunny days - such a positive way to start the term.

We are also delighted to be celebrating the National Year of Reading. As part of this, we encourage you to log in to the Collins Hub at home, where you can read a book at the right level with your child on a device. Teachers regularly upload new books, so there is always something fresh to enjoy together.

This half term, our focus is on the Giving strand of our PLEDGES curriculum. You will be pleased to hear that this includes children taking part in helpful “jobs” both at school and at home. We would love to hear about any ways your child is contributing at home - whether that’s feeding a pet, vacuuming, emptying the dishwasher, setting the table, making their bed, or watering plants. Please do share these moments with us through EFL.

We would also like to celebrate our ongoing work towards our environmental PLEDGE, which we promote all year round. Last week, we marked Earth Day, and it was wonderful to see how engaged the learners were. The school grounds have never been so clean! Jackdaws Class have been doing a fantastic job collecting recycling from all classes each week, and there has been some lovely art and learning focused on caring for our environment.

Wishing you all a happy long weekend, and we hope you enjoy the bank holiday on Monday. We look forward to welcoming learners back on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

Emma Hartshorne
Assistant Principal

Puffins - Adventure



Teacher's Note

We have had a wonderful week, working very hard in different lessons and working together as a class team.

Classroom Highlight

We have been working on our Environment PLEDGES. Each child was encouraged to clean the playground from litter.



What We're Learning

Maths: We have been working this week on telling the time, reinforcing the 5 minutes past and moving on 5 minutes to the hour. Another group worked on the days of the week, the months and the seasons.

English: We are learning about "The Colour" story, identifying the sentences with the question mark from the other sentences. The other group worked on Colourful Semantic, describing a picture using: Who? Doing? What? and Where?

Science: Our current topic is "Seeds and bulbs". This week we have been working on "What needs a plant to grow?"

PE: This week we had the Sports Leaders coming from Northstowe 6th form, they taught our learners how to play PE games using different balls.

Design and Technology: we have been building a ship, or a child favourite toy using straws and connectors.



Reminders

Tuesdays and Fridays we are having swimming, please send along our learners swimming kit.

Monday and Thursday we are having PE, please send along their PE kit.

**Thanks for
your continued
support -
Claudiu**



Buzzards - Explore



Teacher's Note

Hello everyone! We have had a great few weeks back this term and Buzzards have been working very hard during lessons and towards their pledges and 99 things!

Classroom Highlights

Buzzards have been working very hard towards achieving many 99 things and pledges. They have been enjoying the sunny weather and have been making daisy chains which is one of their 99 things.

Buzzards also earned some pledges for Environmental Day by showing responsibility in their classroom, helping to keep areas tidy around the school, and planting their own plants.

What We're Learning

Maths: we are learning about fractions and the learners have already grasped the concept of halves, thirds and quarters making up the whole.

English: we have made a fun start to considering poetry and making rhymes about different colours. The students have been creating colourful and playful rhyming couplets.

Geography: we are going to be looking at the country of France and how their cultures, sights and landscapes compare with ours.

Reminders

Swimming:
Friday – please remember to send your child's kit in.

Cooking:
Tuesday – we will let you know if we require a container.



**Thank you for
your
continued
support.
Buzzards
Team**





Parent Information

Dates for your diary

Bank Holiday - School closed: Monday 4th May

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

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 - 3rd 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/>





Northstowe
Martin Bacon Academy



Parent information



Godmanchester Town
Council

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Family Day



A welcoming and inclusive day of fun activities and information for children, young people and adults with special educational needs and their families.



Saturday 20 June 2026



10am – 2pm



GODMANCHESTER PLANT NURSERY, PE29 2AG

Information Talks

Quiet Sensory Area

Makaton Story Time

Bubble Display

Seed planting

Craft Activities

Retail Stalls

Volunteering Information

Food and Drink from the Muddy Trowel Cafe

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 Chili with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Smoky 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 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	
	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