



Nursery Newsletter Spring 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our spring term nursery newsletter. We hope you had a restful break and are ready and excited for the new term ahead! We would like to welcome our new children who are starting this January.

For those children who are moving up to Reception in July, we will be very busy from now until the end of the school year getting your child 'Ready for Reception'. Please help us by encouraging your child to be as independent as possible; e.g. putting their coat on and taking it off etc.

For those children who are just starting, we will be supporting them to get to know the other children, find their coat peg and hang up their belongings and to choose and select activities throughout the nursery.

Please remember to log on to our school website to keep updated with events and notices at: <https://www.martinprimary.org.uk/>

Reminders

- **Please be punctual when bringing and collecting your child from Nursery.**

Nursery sessions are as follows;

morning sessions – 8.40am to 11.40am

afternoon sessions – 12.40pm to 3.40pm

Please be advised that children will need to be taken to and collected from the office if you arrive outside these times. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

- **Water bottles:** Please provide your child with a labelled water bottle every day. The children can then help themselves to water during the day. **Please note water only, no juice please.**
- **Clothing:**
Change of clothes: Please make sure that your child has a change of clothes in their bag (or you can leave some at school) in case they get wet during the day
Suitable clothing: Please dress your child in suitable clothing for the weather and for Nursery play because the children have access to the outside area every day. If possible we ask that children wear clothes which are easy to remove in case they need changing during the day.
Shoes: Please ensure that your child wears shoes that they can do up independently, e.g. shoes with velcro fastenings.

Please LABEL ALL clothes including hats, scarfs and gloves

Toys: Please explain to the children that they cannot bring their own toys into the nursery as they may get lost or damaged and we have lots of lovely toys for the children to play with.

Requests

- **Voluntary contribution:** If you are able to make a voluntary contribution of 50p per week or £3.50 per half term, this would be greatly appreciated - we ask for this to enable us to buy extra resources for particular activities e.g. ingredients for cooking, craft materials for the creative area etc.

- Please provide a box of tissues to help us to keep the germs at bay
- We always welcome any spare carrier bags you may have
- We are always happy to receive any of the following for our art area:
 - empty cardboard boxes and washed out yoghurt pots
 - any items the children have found on the way to school (conkers, fir cones, leaves etc.)

Support at home

Tapestry

Have you accessed 'Tapestry' yet? This is your child's online learning journal which you can log onto anytime, anywhere! Please refer to our weekly updates on the Nursery Information Group. We will also provide children's 'Next Steps' and ideas on your children's individual Tapestry observations.

Please speak to a member of staff if you cannot access this or your child is not linked to the Nursery Information Group 25/26.

Important Dates for Your Diary 2026

16th February to 20th February inclusive: **school closed for half term holiday**

Tuesday 3rd March and Thursday 5th March: **Parent/Teacher Consultations**

Thursday 5th March: **World Book Day**

Friday 27th March @ 2pm: **End of term**

'Muddy Tuesday'

Every Tuesday the nursery children visit our Forest School. Please make sure that your child brings in a pair of **clearly labelled** wellies or comes in wearing them ready on those days. The weather in January can be very cold so please make sure children are wearing appropriate clothes so that they can join in with the exciting activities.

Final note

- Please ALWAYS make sure that you inform the office of any changes in your personal details so that in the event of illness, accident or other occasion, we can contact you promptly.
- If your child has a temperature, is sick or has an upset stomach, we request that they do not come into school and do not return until at least 48 hrs after their last bout, so that the spread of any illness throughout the nursery class is limited.
- **Bug Busting** – please check your child's hair regularly for head lice, as by the very nature of how this age group plays and interacts, if one head is not treated, their spread is fast and inevitable.

If you have any questions or queries, please do remember we are always here to help. Please speak to a member of the team to arrange a mutually convenient time.

We are looking forward to another productive and busy term. Thank you for your continued support.

Many Thanks

The Nursery Team ☺