



NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th January 2025

It's been an exciting week . .

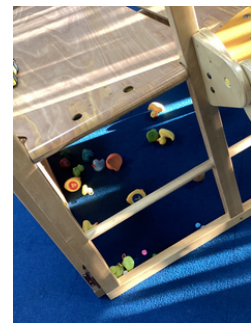
We have had a number of visitors in school this week looking at the fantastic learning taking place at Martins Wood. They have all been impressed with the children's behaviours for learning and the calm, productive atmosphere around the school. The children represented the school brilliantly. They proudly discussed the school and their learning with the visitors.

Saplings

Last week Saplings welcomed 11 new children and families. The children have been settling in and are continuing to practice sharing, here is an example of the children sharing the ducks, they enjoyed counting them, labelling their colours. We sorted them into families, finding out that so many of the Saplings children have the same make up. Mummy, Daddy and two children. We took it in turns saying who we all had at home.



The dinosaurs have been spending time in the swamp, this has involved lots of physical play, positional and size language modelled by an adult whilst supporting the children's play.



Attendance

At this time of year there are lots of illnesses going round. We have attached some guidance from the NHS about different illnesses and when you can send your child back into school. If in doubt please call the school office and they will also be able to advise you.

Should I keep my **child off school?**

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scoliosis	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No
but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tuberculosis
Threadworms	Shingles/chick

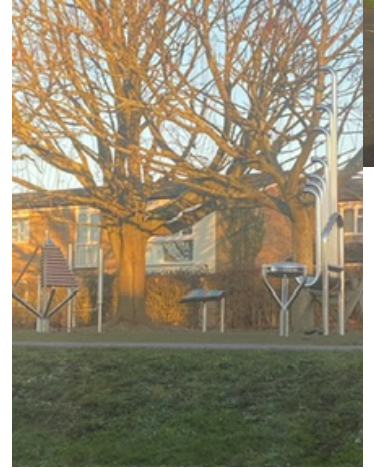
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Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qcqa.de/infoc>



Year 1

Year 1 have been on a Science walk. They had a walk around the school grounds looking at seasonal changes. We talked about Autumn and how we are now in Winter, discussing how these seasons are different. On the walk the children noticed that the trees were bare in the winter and no leaves were growing. They also spotted ice that had formed on the picnic tables and some frost on the ground.



Uniform

We will be adding a number of uniform items to our Arbor shop at a discounted price. The items available are our current stock so only the sizes listed will be available. Branded uniform is available to buy through <https://price-buckland.co.uk/>.



Clubs

Club registrations are now closed. All allocations have been made and clubs will start on Monday 20th January.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 28th January - Mental Wellbeing through Physical Activity Workshops - Year 4
- 11th February (4-8pm) - Parents evening
- 13th February (4-6pm) - Parents evening
- 17th - 21st February - HALF TERM
- 26th February - 5th March - Book Fair
- 6th March - World Book Day
- 4th April - End of Term (2pm finish)

Whole school attendance for this week is 96%

Remember to achieve 100% attendance your child needs to be in school, every day and on time.

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