



Mary Tavy and Brentor Primary EYFS 2026

Spring Term 1 - Curriculum Newsletter



What will our children be learning in the curriculum?

Dear Parents and Carers,
Happy New Year, we hope you and your families had a wonderful Christmas break.
We are excited about all the new things your children will be learning about this half term.
When you have looked at this half term's curriculum if there is anything you could bring in to show or talk about that would enhance our curriculum, please let us know.
We continue to ask that you read daily with your child and enjoy the books from our Pie Corbett reading scheme with them.
We will continue to read the Little Wandle books on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in school. Your child will bring that book home to read to you on a Wednesday each week. Please ensure that you read the book daily with them and that you return it on the following Monday
We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you.
Thank you from the EYFS

English: As writers we the children will be writing their names daily, developing pace and accuracy of letter formation. Please practice this daily at home to support their progression. As our young writers learn new digraphs and tricky words in their daily phonics they will be encouraged to use these and ALL the sounds they know in their writing. Daily handwriting practice is now an essential part of our learning, developing both accuracy, pace and stamina in their writing. We follow the Nelson scheme there are additional resources

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

We will be sharing additional practice for you to complete at home.

This term we will be starting with a non-fiction text **All About Penguins**. We will be focusing on sentences, and how they are structured. The children will be writing sentences independently using capital letters and full stops. We will then follow with a fictional text of **Space Tortoise**.

Maths: As mathematicians, we will be learning about size, length, height, mass and capacity. They will build on their foundations of number knowledge as they work on 6,7,8 and learn to recognise, subitise and compose amounts.

Science: As scientists, we will be discovering several types of animals. From mammals, to birds, to insects. They will learn about their habitats including those that live on a farm. They will also learn about creatures from the past as they explore dinosaurs.

Understanding the world:

As geographers we will be exploring the world around them, describing what they can see, hear and feel when they are outside. This will be linked to their Forest school sessions.

Art/DT:

As artists we will be collecting natural objects to create 3D pictures, and they will learn about observational drawing.

As engineers we will use recycled materials to design and create objects including making a home for a chosen animal.

Physical Education: As athletes we will work continue to work on their ball skills, focusing on passing the ball and throwing it to a team member. They will have handwriting lessons and use tools such as scissors, hole punchers and tape dispensers as they work on their creations.

Music: As musicians we will continue to enjoy daily song times, sharing the songs they are already familiar with as well as learning some new ones. They will listen to different types of music and express their opinions on what they hear.

PSHE: As citizens we will learn about being safe on a car journey, a visit to the doctors, caring for a pet and talking about how we are all different and have our own needs.

Notes



Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle with them every day to keep them hydrated.



Snacks

All children in Key Stage One are entitled to free fruit provided by the government. If you wish to send your child with an alternative snack, it must be fruit or vegetables.



Muddy Mondays

Children are required to have their Forest school clothes in school every Monday. This includes a waterproof coat and a pair of wellies. Please collect from the school field.

Home School Learning

Pupils are encouraged to read to an adult daily, please record this on the reading record sheet and access Numbots at least three times per week.



Phonics

We will continue to follow the Little Wandle phonics program. We are now introducing Phase 3 phonemes. As pupils are taught each set of phonemes, tricky words and high frequency words these will be sent home to practice.

PE Days

Children are required to have their PE kits in school every day. Please leave their PE Kits in school they will be sent home at the end of the half term for washing.
Please refer to our uniform guide on our website.