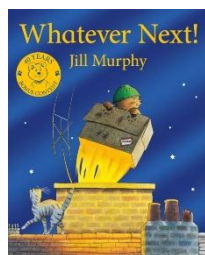


## Newsletter January 2026



## St Marychurch Pre-school

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**Welcome back, We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas holidays and a Happy New Year to you all.**

### Our story will be 'Whatever Next?'

#### This term we are looking at the following areas of learning: -

Space, the Planets and where we live.

Construction, building and fine motor skills

Keeping ourselves safe and safe use of tools and equipment.

Changes to our environment and the weather.

#### Dates for your diary:-

20.01.26 - Lorna House visit

5.2.26 - Committee meeting at 9.10 am

#### Term dates:

Monday 5 January to Friday 2 April 2026

*Half term – Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026*

Monday 20 April to Friday 17 July

*Half Term - Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2025*

Bank holidays we are closed.

### Website:

[Family Hub \(torbayfamilyhub.org.uk\)](http://torbayfamilyhub.org.uk)

[Best Start in Life - Best Start in Life](#)

[www.torbay.gov.uk](http://www.torbay.gov.uk)

[Big Brush Club](#)

[NSPCC | The UK children's charity | NSPCC](#)

**Wanted:** Masking tape and Glue sticks.

We are on the hunt for a new Hoover if anyone has a working spare or have recently upgraded it would be much appreciated.

**Self-help skills** – Putting on own shoes and a coat.

**Garden** – If your child wears wellies to pre-school can they please have a change of shoes to wear in the classroom. Thank you.

**School Admissions – Remember the last day to apply for a primary school place at Torbay admissions is Thursday 15 January 2026.**

Please speak to staff if you need support with this.

**Christmas raffle** - A big thank you to everyone who contributed to our Raffle. We raised £50.00. We will use this to purchase new bark in the garden.

**Christmas sponsored walk** – Huge thank you to everyone who took part. We have raised a massive £187.50 So far, we have purchased a small sofa and

a new bookshelf for the book corner. Thank you!

**End of term reports** – There is an end of term report to read on Tapestry for some children, unless they have had a recent two-year-old report last term. Please remember to update us with your child's current interests and add any comments to the bottom of their report or on the Tapestry page. If you have trouble accessing Tapestry or have any questions, or areas of concerns, or you want us to support your child with something please let us know.

**Existing Injury** It is important for you to tell us about any existing injury your child has when they arrive at pre-school each morning. This is so that we can fill in the necessary form and monitor your child during the morning should they become unwell. Please also let us know if your child has any Medication in their bags as this needs to be stored safely. Please remember only prescribed medication can be given to your child in the setting.

**Toothbrushing** – Has been a huge hit with the children after snack and we look forward to continuing this term. [Big Brush Club](#)

**Updates** If changes have been made to your address, telephone, or contact details then please ensure your registration records are updated and changed.

**Family Hub** – Is a website that has a range of information such as dummies, sleep, behaviour, Play, chat and read and much more to support you and your family.

**Tapestry** – Is changing, over the next few months Tapestry is getting a fresh new look so please don't be alarmed if it looks different. Please also note the consumable charge is used towards the cost and use of Tapestry.

**Funding** - Please remember to update your funding code within time online. If you think you are eligible for more hours (more than 15) up to 30 hours, then please remember to apply the term before it is required.

**Invoices** – Polite reminder all invoices need to be paid within 4 weeks of receiving them. Unfortunately, we don't have a card machine as this comes at a greater cost. All invoices can be paid via the bank or in cash. Thank you for your continued support.



## Whatever next?



Lastly, if you have any other ideas or suggestions for the Pre-school please let us know.