# Mundford Mail



The newsletter from **Mundford C of E Primary Academy** - Your school, your news!

#### Letterjoin for ipads

Please see details on the back page of how to log-on to letterjoin on ipads and tablets. This is a great way for children who find handwriting difficult to practise.

#### **PATHS**

This year, our school has started the PATHS programme (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies). This very successful approach helps children develop the social and emotional skills they need for life. Look out for letters & home activities from the class teachers, with ideas for supporting this work at home.

#### **Maths Garden**

Hopefully your child has their log-in for Maths Garden and has already had a go. If not, please speak to their Class Teacher. We hope that this new resource will help children develop their skills in a fun way.

#### **Safety Notice**

We have latches over the top of both the vehicle and pedestrian gates to prevent children from running out into the road. Could you please make sure that this latch is closed if you enter or leave school between 9:00 and 3:30? *Thank you* 

#### **Netball Ladies**

A further £130 has been raised for the school by the adults netball group, that use our playground. *Thanks* 

#### **Hall of Stalls**

The PTA wanted to let you know that this year all money raised from the Hall of Stalls will go to the Village Hall Committee. In previous years this has been a joint fundraiser with the school. However, this year they are trying to raise the funds to replace the playground equipment damaged by vandalism. The PTA will still help out as they feel the village play area is a worthy cause that benefits all children.

#### A few reminders...

- We have a child at school with a severe nut allergy, so we kindly request that everyone avoids sending nuts or products containing nuts in packed lunches. As a healthy school, we also request no fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate in lunchboxes (biscuit-style bars are fine).
- When a child has been sick, they should not return to school until 48 hours after the last symptoms. This is recommended by the Department of Health, in order to prevent the spread of contagious bugs.
- Can you remind your children to make sure they always bring a coat to school? Even in damp weather, they still need to be prepared for breaktimes and lessons which might take them outside. *Thank you.*

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### **Brecks Uncovered**

Over the last two years, the school has been involved in the Brecks Uncovered project, working with the Norfolk & Suffolk Wildlife Trusts to learn more about this unique area we live in. On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September, Maple, Cedar, Rowan & Elm classes had a special assembly, followed by an outdoor session, exploring wildlife around the school site. Despite the best efforts of the rain, the children had a good time and we hope they have been inspired to carry on exploring the nature of the Brecks area.

## **Maple Class**

While we are all very sad to be losing Mrs Warner when she retires at Christmas, we obviously still have to think about her replacement. On Monday, with the help of Mrs Ball and the School Council, we interviewed for a new class teacher for Maple Class. We are pleased to announce that Mrs Adams (currently a Year 2 teacher at Weeting Primary School) will be joining us from January.

Our letters can be found on our website www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk