



Mundford Mail

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

Open Afternoon Invitation

On Wednesday, 21st October, parents, grandparents, carers and friends are invited to our Open Afternoon from 3 – 4 pm. We hope that many of you will be able to pop in to see what the children have been learning.

Teachers will not be taking their classes out to the playground, so parents are asked to collect their children from their classes from 3:30 p.m.

School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on 7th October to take individual and family group photos of the children.

We will make sure that brothers and sisters in school are photographed together but if you would like your child(ren) to be photographed with younger siblings, not yet old enough to attend school, please contact Mrs Pryer who will arrange a time between 8:00 and 9:00.

Conker Tournament

The annual conker tournament is due to take place on Wednesday, 21st October; oldest pupils are given the opportunity to sign up first. Please help yourselves to conkers from the bin so that everyone can be practising their technique at home! Unfortunately there cannot be any practising at school as it requires close supervision for safety reasons. Pre-drilled conkers will be provided on the day (so no vinegar-soaked, baked conkers from home please!) and participating children will need an **old** shoe lace or piece of string with a large, strong knot at one end.

Thank You

Many thanks for your contributions for our Harvest Festival on 25th September and also many apologies for the very short notice.

Federation Days

The staff from Mundford and Gooderstone have started to plan for days when pupils from both schools will be able to join together with one common learning focus for the day. Our first Federation Day will be **Thursday 12th November** and is entitled **Day of Discovery**. It will be a day for creativity, imagination and so much more. Pupils from Oak and Hazel will be taken by coach to Gooderstone and the oldest children from Gooderstone will join our Maple, Cedar, Rowan & Elm at Mundford. They will leave at the beginning of the school day and return shortly before the end of the day. (Parents will not be asked to contribute towards the cost.)

If your child has school dinners and is in Oak or Hazel they will receive their cooked lunch at Gooderstone (they follow the same menu as Mundford). School dinners for our other classes will be provided as usual for our children at Mundford. More details will follow with a parental consent form for you to complete if your child is going to be leaving the school site. I hope you agree this is an exciting opportunity for our children to work within a larger group of similarly aged children.

We have planned two further federation days for 11th February (Problem Solving) and 16th June (Olympic Day). Children will not necessarily be split over the two school sites in the same way every time so we will let you know the arrangements nearer the time.

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