Mundford Mail

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

Worship Theme:

Light & Darkness

Stars of the Week:

Flynn (Oak)

Olivia (Hazel)

Tommy (Maple)

Chiara (Cedar)

Zach (Rowan)

Keiran (Elm)

Writers of the Week:

Emmy (Oak)

Lilly (Hazel)

Poppy (Maple)

Ferko (Cedar)

Harriet (Rowan)

Albie (Elm)

Parent-Teacher Consultations

Thank you to everyone that came to parents' evenings this week. If you were unable to attend but would still like an opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher, then please phone or pop in to the school office who will try and arrange a convenient time for you.

Newspapers & Book Tokens

We are still collecting the book tokens found in the EDP and other local newspapers. Also, if you have any old newspapers, Hazel Class would appreciate them for use when they are doing art in the classroom. Thanks

Diary Dates

6/11/18   Oak Mundford Junction 9:00am
7/11/18   Maple Mundford Junction 2:00pm
9/11/18   Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
9/11/18   PTA School Disco
15/11/18 Hazel Mundford Junction 2:00pm
15/11/18 Sendco Kenko 2:00pm
16/11/18 Children in Need – non-uniform day
16/11/18 Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
20/11/18 Rowan Mundford Junction 9:00am
23/11/18 Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
30/11/18 Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
7/12/18   Whole School Pantomime Trip
7/12/18   Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
11/12/18 Oak & Hazel Nativity Performance 1 9:30am
12/12/18 Oak & Hazel Nativity Performance 2 2:00pm
12/12/18 Elm Mundford Junction 9:00am *
13/12/18 Cedar Mundford Junction 2:00pm
14/12/18 Christmas Service in Church (tbc)
14/12/18 'Wear a Christmas Jumper' Day
17/12/18 School Christmas Dinner, followed by class parties
18/12/18 Last Day of Term for Children

KS2 Homework Club: Elm Classroom, Thurs lunchtime.

KS2 Cross Country: Monday lunchtimes

Our after-school clubs are run by Premier Sports & availability & booking is done online via: http://www.premier-education.com/sport

Search & Rescue: Alternate Fridays 3:15 – 4:15pm in Hazel Classroom.

Poppies will be on sale outside the pupil entrance every morning from Monday. Please see the back of this newsletter for suggested donations.

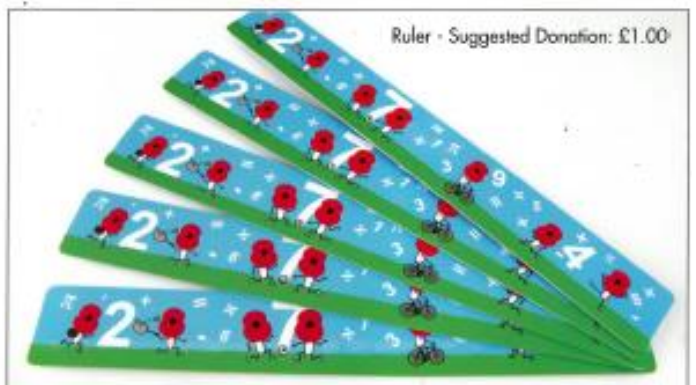. . . encouraging excellence in everyone.

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A massive thank you to our wonderful PTA (and all those who support the fundraising events they organise) for funding our Federation Day events. The KS2 children thoroughly enjoyed the Macbeth play as did all the staff; it was a great way to kick off our theme of Shakespeare. Unfortunately the KS1 children weren't quite so lucky as the theatre company that was meant to be working with them cancelled on the day due a member of their cast being taken to hospital. The staff were amazing and rallied round, providing the children with great activities to make the day just as fun. Due to this very late cancellation the company have offered to do a free day to make up for the children's disappointment. We have decided to take them up on the offer and it will take place on the day the rest of the federation go to Harry Potter World. A bus will come and take the Gooderstone children over to Mundford for the day and they will take part in workshops and activities. More information about transport and timings will follow later in the term.

Upcoming PTA events:
 - School Disco: you have already received a flyer about this with information and a booking form. Please ask at the office if you need another copy.
 - Children in Need Countryfile Ramble: 4th November 2pm meet at Lynford Arboretum Car Park. Refreshments at the end. Sponsorship monies will be gathered on the day.
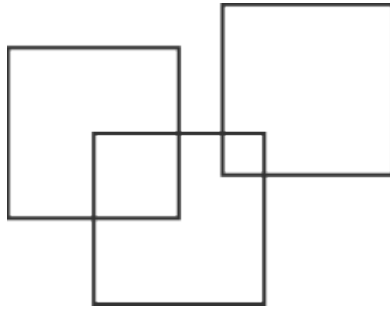
Eraser - Suggested Donation: 50p

Reflector - Suggested Donation: 50p

Pencil Sharpener - Suggested Donation: 50p

Pencil - Suggested Donation: 50p

Ruler - Suggested Donation: £1.00

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What is the greatest number of squares you can make by overlapping three squares of the same size?

You could draw your solutions, or try cutting out 3 squares and trying different ways of overlapping them.

For younger children, talk about:
 - What makes a square a square?
 - Do you always get a square when you overlap the shapes?
 - Can you overlap them and make different shapes?

For older children, think about:
 - How do you approach the problem? As well as sharing your solutions, can you explain what you did and why?
 - How will you know if your way really does have the _greatest possible number_ of squares?

Other things to try:
 - Use different shapes instead of squares.

Each week's problem & and a box for posting your solutions in can be found in the school corridor – between Elm & Sycamore.   Remember to put your name (& class) on your solutions.

This ia a **visual problem** – it can be solved by trying to picture what will happen with the squares or by acutally drawing or moving them. As tey moe the shapes around, the children may start **pattern spotting**. Older chidlren may use a **trial and improvement** method or use a **systematic** approach to try and ensure they find the solution with greatest possible number of squares.

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