

Mundford Mail



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

Worship Theme:
Equality

Stars of the Week:

Alfie (Oak)
George (Hazel)
Sophie (Maple)
Alice (Cedar)
Elsa (Rowan)
Leland (Elm)

Writers of the Week:

Gracie (Oak)
Brooklynn (Hazel)
Jake (Maple)
Beck (Cedar)
Shay (Rowan)
Shay (Elm)

Continuing our Shakespeare theme, there has been lots of drama happening this week from our youngest children busy practising for their nativity play up to our oldest class who put Macbeth on trial for murder! Several classes have also held their first 'No Plans' day. This is something every class will do once a term. For a whole day, the children lead the learning - deciding what they want to learn, planning how they can find out about it and then using their writing, drama or art skills to present what they've done.

Diary Dates

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 9:15am (a collection will be made for the Church)
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
3/1/18 First day back for Children
3/1/18 NO Sharing Assembly this week
11/1/18 Sharing Assembly 2:45pm
18/1/18 Sharing Assembly 2:45pm

KS2 Homework Club: Elm Classroom, Thurs lunchtime.

Y5 & Y6 Netball Club: Monday or Friday lunchtimes - weather dependent

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.

School Uniform

www.tesco.com/ues
<https://corporatetiger.co.uk/school-uniform/>

PTA Fundraising Raffle

Thanks to everyone for their donations so far for the Christmas raffle hampers. Tickets will be sent home in bookbags next week, with more available to purchase at the Nativity and after school.

Oak & Hazel Nativity Performance

Please book your seats by ordering a programme - order forms will be sent out next week to Oak & Hazel Class. The PTA will be selling refreshments at both performances.

Arriving at School

While the school is opened from 8:40am for children to begin arriving, the school day does not start until 9:00am. For their own safety, we ask that children are not on the school site before 8:40am as there is no-one to supervise them. If you do arrive early, please make sure you keep your children with you until it is time to go into school. If you allow your child to walk by themselves, be aware that they will not be able to get into school until 8:40 and we cannot be responsible for them before this time. We recommend that children who walk aim to arrive between 8:45 and 8:55. Thank you.

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www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk

A Thank You from Tom Daley

The school has received a letter from Olympic Swimmer Tom Daley thanking us for the £90.40 we raised for Sport Relief during the Summer Term.

Christmas Carolling for Young Singers

Thetford Voices are inviting young singers to join them on 21st December for a free Christmas Holiday Singing Workshop. This open to all children aged from 6 - 16. If you are interested, leaflets with more information can be collected from the school office.

Christmas Cards

We operate a system where our Year 6s act as postmen delivering Christmas cards to each class. A Christmas postbox will be located in the corridor. In order to deliver the cards they must be addressed with both the child's name and their class. It takes a considerable amount of time to sort the cards (which children give up their breaks to do) so any cards not correctly addressed may not be delivered. Please also make sure your children are aware that the cards are not always delivered on the day they are posted. Like any postal service, there can be delays at busy times of year! Children may bring Christmas Cards into school from Monday 10th December.

Maths Problem Games of the Week

Over the next few weeks we will be suggesting some simple games that develop different Maths skills. This week: games that require mental calculation or arithmetic.

Some well-known games:

- Darts
- Any board games that involve money (e.g. Monopoly)
- Bingo
- Card Games such as Rummy, Crazy Eights, Pig, Old Maid, War or Higher/Lower (see below for how to play some of these)
- ... & anything where children have to keep score.

War

To play simply deal a pack amongst the players. Each turns over two cards, multiplies them together and shares the answer – the highest number wins all the cards played. (To make this a simpler game for younger children, get them to add the two cards together instead of multiplying).

Higher/Lower

Deal out five cards face down. Turn over the first one. The aim is to guess if the next card will be higher or lower. If you are right, continue along the line. Win a point each time you correctly guess all 5 cards in the row.

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.

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