

# Mundford Mail



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

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**Worship Theme:** Co-operation

**Big Question:** Is it always better to work together?

## Stars of the Week:

Oak: Olivia    Hazel: Eliana    Maple: Millie    Cedar: Amelia    Rowan: Lucie    Elm: Riley

## Writers of the Week:

Oak: Henry D    Hazel: Sienna    Maple: Stanley    Cedar: Bronwyn    Rowan: Jack    Elm: Jasmine

**Best Attendance:** Elm Class

**Winning House Team:** **SAXONS**

Thank you for all your donations for the 'Just one Tree' day. We raised £162.30 which will go towards planting new trees. This cause is something that many of our children are very passionate about and it was their idea to hold this day so thank you for supporting them. This week we were also very proud of our children who represented the school at the tag rugby festival. On a cold day, they showed amazing teamwork, encouraging and supporting each other – we hope they all had a brilliant time.

## Word of the Week

Last week's word was elude. Elude is ... *a verb meaning to escape or avoid as something.*

This week's word was suggested by a child in Rowan class:

**This week's word - dendrochronology**

We challenge you to guess what it is – house points for correct guesses. Clue: Our older pupils should recognise the 'chronology' part of the word & this word is also linked to the reason for today's non-uniform day at school!

Don't forget to also ask your child about the new words they are learning in their class this week too. If you have a suggestion for a future word of the week, let Miss Brown know.



### **We are collecting!**

We are collecting Books for Schools tokens which can be found in The Sun & The Sun on Sunday newspapers between Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday January 18<sup>th</sup>. If we collect enough tokens, we will get £600 worth of books for the school all for free! Thanks for your help.

### **Step On It Training for Year 2 children – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Next Friday our Year 2 children will be taking part in some road safety training. Please find the separate information sheet and consent form your child will be bringing home, and return completed to school before Friday. If you are able to volunteer next Friday morning, and support the children with their training, could you please speak to Mrs Keeler. Thank you in advance.

### **Children in Need**

By dressing in our favourite colours we managed to raise an astounding **£180.05**. Thank you to everybody who donated.

### **Christmas Dinner Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

This year's Christmas dinner will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. It is always a very special day at school that begins with the Y6 children from Elm Class setting out and decorating tables. The staff and governors then serve the children with their meals. We hope that all children will want to join in the festivity, however, should they decide to stick with their sandwiches on the day, they will be included in the fun. You will find the menu at the end of this newsletter. **Please book via parentmail in the usual way and by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at the latest please.**

### **Online Resources**

We have a number of online resources that you can use at home to help your children.

#### **Letterjoin**

[www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk)

Desktop Login username: Mund password: ford

Tablet Login username: Mund passcode: a capital 'L' shape starting at top left

This site allows children to practise their handwriting and spelling.

#### **Purple Mash**

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/mundford>

We use Purple Mash for teaching computing, but it also contains games sections for practising English & Maths at home. All children have their own individual log-in. Please ask your child's class teacher if they cannot remember it.

#### **PIXL Times Table App: <https://timestable.pixl.org.uk/>**

All KS2 pupils have an individual log-in for the times table app – please speak to class teachers if they cannot remember this.

Apple App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/pixl-times-tables/id1300608796>

Google Play Store: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.matthewwoodfine.timestables&hl=en\\_GB](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.matthewwoodfine.timestables&hl=en_GB)

## After-School Clubs

This half-term, we are offering the following clubs:

- Monday 3:15 – 4:15pm Basketball for years 3 & 4
- Monday 3:15 – 4:15pm Harry Potter Club is full
- Tuesday 3:15 – 4:15pm Gymnastics for years 1 & 2 is full
- Wednesday 3:15 – 4:15 Taekwondo – open to all ages (**KS1 3:15 – 4:15pm KS2 4:30-5:30pm**)
- Wednesday 3:15 – 4:15 Science club in Rowan Class for KS2
- Friday 3:15 – 4:15pm Hockey/Basketball for years 5 & 6

We have a few spaces left in some of the clubs – please contact the school office to enquire.

We asked the children to find out what clubs they would like and we will try to cover as many of their requests as possible over the course of the school year.

## Search and Rescue Club

The dates for the Autumn term are as follows:

- 6<sup>th</sup> December.

If your child would like to continue to attend Search and Rescue club, Mrs Keeler and Mrs Leach will see you there! For those children new to our school, and those who have just started in Year One, if your child would like a place at Search and Rescue club, please speak to Mrs Keeler at the end of the day.

Search and Rescue club is every other Friday, from 3.15-4.15 in **Maple Class**. It is open to children from Year 1 to 6. At Search and Rescue club we sing songs, craft and listen to a story or reading from the Bible. If you have any questions, pop and see Mrs Keeler.

## Church Advent Fair – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019, to be held at school, 11am-2pm.

Come along and support St. Leonard's church at the Advent Fair, held in the school hall this year. Fun for all the family, with Christmas crafts and activities, opportunity to make reindeer food and write a letter to Father Christmas, as well as delicious homemade sandwiches and cakes to enjoy with a cuppa. If we've been really good we might also get a visit from Father Christmas and a chance to tell him our festive wishes. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

## Clubs within the School Day

**Monday Lunch:** Drawing Club with Mrs Tinkley.

**Monday, Tuesday & Friday Lunch:** Cross Country Training & Tag Rugby or Football matches with Mr Clark.

**Tuesday Lunch:** Netball Club for years 5 & 6 with Miss Brown/Miss Coates.

**Tuesday (MORNING BREAKTIME):** Reading Club in Sycamore with Mrs Eyres

### Village Green Christmas Tree Light Switch on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November

After school on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November Samantha the Clerk to the Parish Council will be selling tickets (£1) each on the school playground for a raffle to select a child to switch on the Christmas lights with Father Christmas. The money raised will go to a charity of the schools choice – we asked the School Council to select a charity and they have chosen **'Young Minds'**

## Diary Dates

Here's a quick guide to what's coming up this term. More detailed information about lots of these can be found further down the newsletter. For some events, details will follow nearer the time.

**Sharing Assembly every Friday at 2:45pm.**

<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November:</b>	<b>Elm Class Mundford Junction 9:30 – 10:30am</b>
<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November:</b>	<b>St Leonard's Church Christmas Fayre in the school hall</b>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:</b>	<b>Cedar Class Mundford Junction 9:10 – 10:30am</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>Rowan Mundford Junction 1:30 – 2:45pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>Oak, Hazel &amp; Maple Christmas Production 9:30am</b>

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December: Oak, Hazel & Maple Christmas Production 2pm  
 - Oak, Hazel & Maple Christmas Production 6pm  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children  
 Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Dinner please book via parentmail by 9<sup>th</sup> Dec  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December: last day of term for the children

*Every effort is made to stick to the planned dates, but occasionally circumstances beyond our control may affect in-school events. We will always inform you as soon as possible of any changes. Thanks for understanding!*

## What are we reading?

As a school, we want to promote a love of reading in every child. As well as daily reading sessions, each class also listens to a class reader. These books are carefully chosen to inspire children, broaden their reading experience and expose them to language they may not read independently.

Currently we are reading:

Oak: Water Babies by Charles Kingsley

Hazel: The penguin who wanted to find out by Jill Tomlinson

Maple: The Magic Folk of the Faraway by Enid Blyton

Cedar: One Wish by Michelle Harrison

Rowan: What planet are you from Clarice Bean? by Lauren Child

Elm: Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

Why don't you ask your child about the book? Are they enjoying the story? What do they think will happen next?

### School Uniform:

<https://corporatetiger.co.uk/school-uniform/>  
[www.facebook.com/myclottingltd](http://www.facebook.com/myclottingltd)

**IES Breckland** have asked us to share with you the link to their newsletter. Any parents interested in finding out more about this High School can go to:

<https://www.breckland.ieschools.co.uk/2019/10/principals-bulletin/>

