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

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### **Point in Time Assessments**

The children should have brought home their point in time reports today. Please remember this is just a snapshot of how they are doing - children's learning goes up and down throughout the year depending on the topics taught. If you do have any concerns though, then please speak to the class teacher.

# Lost Property

This week we have put the lost property out for parents to look through in the mornings and we have also encouraged each class to go and have a look. However, we still have a large amount of unclaimed items. If your child has lost something, tomorrow will be your last chance to look through the lost property. Then over the holidays anything left will be donated to charity. Please can we remind everyone to name their children's clothes, bags and shoes as this makes it much easier to return them to their rightful owner. Can we also please ask you to check the clothes your children do bring home for other people's names as children often take each other's things home by mistake. Thanks

# Christingle

The Christmas Christingle Service at St Leonard church will be at 4pm on Christmas Eve. If you would like instructions for making a Christingle and a collection box, these are available in the school office.

Please note that next term pupils in Years 3 & 4 will be going swimming. More information will be sent home after Christmas, but they will need a swimming costume or trunks and towel.

# **Diary Dates for the Spring Term**

Here's a quick guide to what's coming up next term. For some events, details will follow nearer the time.

# Sharing Assembly every Friday at 2:45pm.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January: Children return to school Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January: Maple Mundford Junction 9am Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January: Cedar Mundford Junction 9am Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January: Hazel Mundford Junction 2pm Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January: Oak Mundford Junction 9am Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January: Holt Hall Residential Information Meeting for parents of Years 3 & 4 2:30pm Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February: Elm Mundford Junction 9am Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February: Rowan Mundford Junction 9am Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February: PITA (Point in Time Assessment) reports sent home Half Term Break  $15^{th} - 23^{rd}$  February Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March: Cedar Mundford Junction 9am Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March: Parent-Teacher Consultations 3:30 – 7pm

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March: Parent-Teacher Consultations 3:30 – 5:30pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Oak Mundford Junction 9am 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March: Holt Hall Residential for Years 3 & 4 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Maple Mundford Junction 2pm Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March: Hazel Mundford Junction 2pm Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March: Elm Mundford Junction 9am Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March: Easter Service in St Leonards Church Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Class Photos Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Rowan Mundford Junction 2pm Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Last day of term for 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!

# **Online Resources**

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

#### <u>Letterjoin</u>

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 is 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: <u>https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.matthewwoodfine.timestables&hl=en\_GB</u> Year Two children now have log-ins too – see inside cover of their yellow reading diaries!

#### **After-School Clubs**

Next half-term, Mr Clark will be running the following after-school clubs:

- Monday 3:15 4:15pm For Years 1 & 2 Gymnastics (until half-term), then Ball Games (after half-term)
- Tuesday 3:15 4:15pm Gymnastics for KS2 (years 3-6)
- Friday 3:15 4:15pm Basketball for KS2 (years 3-6)

We are offering two clubs for KS2 in order to try and provide everything the children have asked for. Initially, we ask that children just sign up for their first choice of club. **Please sign up via MYEd.** 

Taekwondo will continue on Wednesdays: (KS1 3:15 – 4:15pm KS2 4:30-5:30pm)

These will all begin week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> January.

Clubs run by school staff will resume the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> January:

- Monday: Harry Potter Club
- Tuesday Science Club
- Friday Search & Rescue (alternate weeks dates tbc)

# 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: The Firework Maker's Daughter by Phillip Pullman 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/myclothingltd

**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.iesschools.co.uk/2019/10/principals-bulletin/