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

http://www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk/mundford/		
	Worship Theme: Kindness	Big Question: Is failing a bad thing?
Stars of the Week:		
Oak: James	Hazel: Lottie Maple: Connor	Cedar: Ferko Rowan: Evie Elm: Riley
Wow of the Week:		
Oak: Kyra	Hazel: Ava-Lily Maple: Oscar	Cedar: Amelia Rowan: Josclyn Elm: Dot
Best Attendance: ROWAN Winning House Team: VIKINGS		

What a wonderful day we had for world book day yesterday. The children all looked amazing in their costumes and it was great to hear about all their favourite books. We hope it has inspired them to keep reading lots. Make sure you all use your book tokens – bookshops will have a special range of £1 books, allowing the children to get a completely free book in return for their voucher. Alternatively, they can use it to get a £1 off the price of another book they have their eye on.

Next week is Science Week and we kick-started it today with a series of STEM workshops for our KS2 pupils exploring energy. Next week we have further Norfolk Wildlife Trust visiting to work with our younger pupils. There are lots of events and activities going on locally as part of British Science Week, please click this <u>link</u>. We hope it will inspire some of our budding scientists!

Word of the Week

Check out the latest word here: https://www.collinsdictionary.com/word-of-the-day

A Mind to be Kind – This Week's Try This Task



If someone expresses an opinion you disagree with, how do you react?

Pure kindness – feels good, doesn't it?



Warning about website 'Omegle.com'

Dear parents, please be aware that the above website has bypassed filters in some schools (not ours) across Norfolk and has allowed children to access both video calls and text. This site links children to adults whose explicit sexual questions and chats are very disturbing and puts the child at risk. Children in some schools have also accessed this at home and parents have highlighted their concern. The site had been reported to the Norfolk police but please be hyper vigilant with what your children are accessing online. Please speak to a member of staff if you have any concerns.

Parent-Teacher Consultations

Thank you to all those of you who came to our parent-teacher meetings. We enjoyed sharing all the wonderful things the children are doing with you and discussing how we can work together to help them even more. If you were unable to attend, please contact the school office and they will be able to arrange an appointment for you to meet your child's teacher.

After-School Clubs

Mr Clark is running the following after-school clubs:

- Monday 3:15 – 4:15pm For Years 1 & 2 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.

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

- Tuesday - Science Club

Search and Rescue Club alternate Fridays

The dates for the Spring term are as follows:

- Friday 13th March
- Friday 27th March

Search and Rescue club is every other Friday, from 3.15-4.15 in <u>Maple Class</u>. 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.

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: The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo Hazel: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by CS Lewis Maple: A Treasury of Stories from Around the World chosen by Linda Jennings Cedar: Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton 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?

Diary Dates

Sharing Assembly every Friday 2:45 pm

Monday 9th March: Y6 Crucial Crew Event Tuesday 10th March: Oak Mundford Junction 9am 18th – 20th March: Y3&4 Residential Trip to Holt Hall Thursday 19th March: Maple Mundford Junction 2pm Monday 23rd March: Hazel Mundford Junction 2pm Wednesday 25th March: Elm Mundford Junction 9am Monday 30th March: Rowan Mundford Junction 2pm Tuesday 31st March: Easter Service in St Leonards Church 9:15am Wednesday 1st April: Class Photographs *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: <u>https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/pixl-times-tables/id1300608796</u> Google Play Store: <u>https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.matthewwoodfine.timestables&hl=en_GB</u>

School Uniform:

<u>https://corporatetiger.co.uk/school-uniform/</u> 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: <u>https://www.breckland.iesschools.co.uk/2019/10/principals-bulletin/</u>