



# Mundford Mail

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

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**Worship Theme: Compassion "Should you care more about yourself or others?"**

**Winning House Team: DANES**

## Stars of the Week

**Oak: Faith**  
**Hazel: Polly**  
**Maple: Willow**  
**Cedar: Emmy**  
**Rowan: Olivia**  
**Elm: Cash**  
**Sycamore: Alice**

## Wow of the Week

**Oak: Kitty**  
**Hazel: Ayda**  
**Maple: Olivia**  
**Cedar: Flynn**  
**Rowan: Oliver**  
**Elm: Riley**  
**Sycamore: Ava**

## **What have we been doing this week?**

*Oak Class have been working hard with their writing this week. We have been writing about all the things we can do. We have sounded out our words and tried really hard to form some letters correctly. It looks like our phonics sessions might be working! Well done to Faith for her amazing writing this week!*

*In Hazel Class, we've started our new English topic learning about captions! We had a photography exhibition in the hall with some funny pictures where we had to match the captions with the picture. We've been continuing our sketching skills in Art, making sure to hold the pencil lightly and with increasing control.*

*Maple Class enjoyed a village walk this week, using our map skills to follow a route. We were also able to spot the evidence of human and geographical features as we went. A huge thank you to the wonderful volunteers who came with us and made the walk possible.*

*In Cedar class this week we have been busy writing formal letters in response to our Power of Reading book: The boy at the back of the class. We also learned about skeletons and the three different types which animals can have. We are excited to begin building a model skeleton in*

class next week.

*Rowan Class started the week with an RE enquiry finding out how religion helps make sense of the world and understand why good and bad things happen. We have also been continuing with our learning about earthquakes and how they affect an area.*

*Elm Class this week we have been planting our friendship trees using asexual reproduction. We have made our own temporary biome and internal water cycle so that the plants will be self-sufficient. We have also be designing our own graffiti tags. Our music focus is rock music and our chosen song is Living on a Prayer. Please feel free to explore your inner rock soul and join in with your child.*

*In Sycamore Class, we have been focussing on our shading and sketching skills, creating different tones and hues. Next week, we are going to be making our own mood boards, to plan and design a piece of artwork which gives out a global message to our global neighbours about climate change. We have also been continuing with our newspaper writing skills with a cross-curricular Science focus. We wrote newspaper articles about a dangerous creature and new species found on the school grounds, acting as experts in our field explaining how the new species fits the criteria of a living thing. We explained to readers how the new species found moves, respire, grows, is sensitive to its surroundings and takes in nutrition through its diet.*

### **School Meals**

The hot water boiler and extractor fan in the school kitchen have both broken. Owing to this, we are unable to continue to provide hot meals from Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Rolls, Wraps and Jacket Potatoes will be the only options available for the next two or three weeks, the salad bar will still be available. Normal service will resume as soon as the replacement and repairs have been completed.

### **Harvest Festival**

We hope to be able to hold an in school Harvest festival later this half term, and would like the children to bring in items for a Harvest collection. These will be shared with the church and distributed to families and food banks within our local community. If you are able to, please send in boxed/tinned/packets of non-perishable items for our collection. Thank you.



We are starting to collect the "Good to Grow" tokens with Morrisons, to use for equipment for our school garden, so if you receive any please pass them on to us. Thank you in advance.

## After-School Clubs

Monday Multi Sports for Cedar & Rowan (Mr Clark) *spaces available*

~~Monday Guitar Club for Years 4-6 (Mr Keeble/Ms Beaumont) full~~

Tuesday KS2 Choir (Mrs Saunders) spaces available *spaces available*

Wednesday Lego Club for Maple (Mrs Keeler) *spaces available*

Wednesday Multi Sports for Elm & Sycamore (Mr Clark) *spaces available*

*There are still spaces available on some clubs, if your child would like to take part please complete the MyEd form, which should be in the forms section on the App. Any problems please contact the office.*

## Lunchtime Clubs

Our younger children have the opportunity to join in with a multi-sports club run at lunchtimes. In addition to this, we are currently offering:

- Drawing Club for Year 6 (Mrs Tinkley)
- Computing & Homework catch-up Club for KS2 (Miss Brown)

## Covid

As we move to living with the virus many of our Risk Assessments have been updated and new ones have been put in place. You will find all of these and further Covid information on our website:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h6ZqdqKS9IzhL9fglKCaOKcZqSaz7b\\_c](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h6ZqdqKS9IzhL9fglKCaOKcZqSaz7b_c)

We have also attached our contingency plan details alongside this newsletter so you have a clear picture of what happens if local cases begin to rise.

All plans and Risk Assessments are reviewed weekly in line with Government and Local guidance and guidelines.

## We are 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 Adventurous Snail* by Dick King-Smith

Hazel: *The Bolds* by Julian Clary

Maple: *The Twits* by Roald Dahl

Cedar: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl

Rowan: *Attack of the Demon Dinner Ladies* by Pamela Butchart

Elm: *The Last Wild* by Piers Torday

Sycamore: *Boy Giant* by Michael Morpurgo

Why don't you ask your child about the book? Have they enjoyed it? Can they tell you the story so far? What do they predict will happen next?

## Diary Dates

*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!*

### Half term

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### Christmas Holidays

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## Online Resources

Our main online platform is Google Classroom, and class teachers will share your child's log-in to their new class. The following resources can also be used to support your child's learning at home.

**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.

**Bug Club** <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/>

Bug Club is our online library of reading books, where you will find books assigned to your child's reading ability.

**Spelling Shed** <https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

Here you can play online games to practice spelling, as well as the assigned weekly spellings for your child's class.

**Numbots** <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/35246> & **TT Rockstars**  
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth>

Practice number facts and times table in a fun game-based situation.

*If your child needs their log-in details for any of these, please contact the class teacher.*

## School Uniform

<https://corporatetiger.co.uk/?sfw=pass1614943921>

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