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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: SAXONS

Stars of the Week

Oak: Morgan
Hazel: Jordi
Maple: Phoebe
Cedar: Owen
Rowan: Noah
Elm: Kieron
Sycamore: Matilda

Wow of the Week

Oak: Sienna
Hazel: Charlie
Maple: Jack
Cedar: Louis
Rowan: Teya
Elm: Amelia
Sycamore: Mieka

What have we been doing this week?

Oak Class have been working hard learning about where food comes from. They have been sorting out if food is grown or if it comes from animals. We have had lots of interesting responses and ideas where we get food from!

Hazel Class have been writing pledges, thinking about what we can do to help our world, we've been learning about the different animal families and have been continuing to practise our sketching skills.

Maple Class have been investigating habitats and researching the best habitat for a polar bear. We were creative and made polar bear habitats using paint, craft materials and Lego. We have also started to find out what it would be like to live in Alaska, and compare life there to life in Mundford – where would you rather live?

Rowan Class have been learning how to write evaluations and Miss Brown thought their writing was so good that she has entered their book reviews into a competition. If we have any winners, we will let you know!

Elm Class have started a new area of English and Maths this week. We are examining poetry and adding and subtracting. In our SAW day we were inspired by nature and looked at lifecycles of amphibians and insects and symmetry in art.

Sycamore Class: We have had a week filled with lots of fantastic Science and Geography learning. We had our first SAW day, using Mars Bars to replicate how tectonic plates move in different ways. We now know what a convergent, divergent and transform plate boundary is! In our Geography we now know how an Earthquake occurs and how the seismic waves are measured to understand how big the Earthquake is. We have also been looking carefully at how volcanoes erupt!

School Meals

We are pleased to report that the extractor fan in the school kitchen has now been replaced and the new boiler is due to be installed next week. We will continue to provide only rolls, wraps and jacket potatoes until Friday 5th October. We hope to be able to resume to the normal menus from week beginning 8th October.



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

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 Giraffe and The Pelly and Me 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!

Thursday 14th October: Individual Photographs
Wednesday 3rd November: Flu Nasal Spray Vaccine
(please return consent forms by Friday 15th October)

Half term

Monday 25th October 2021 – Friday 29th October 2021

Christmas Holidays

Monday 20th December 2021- Wednesday 5th 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.

<u>Letterjoin</u> <u>www.letterjoin.co.uk</u>

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

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