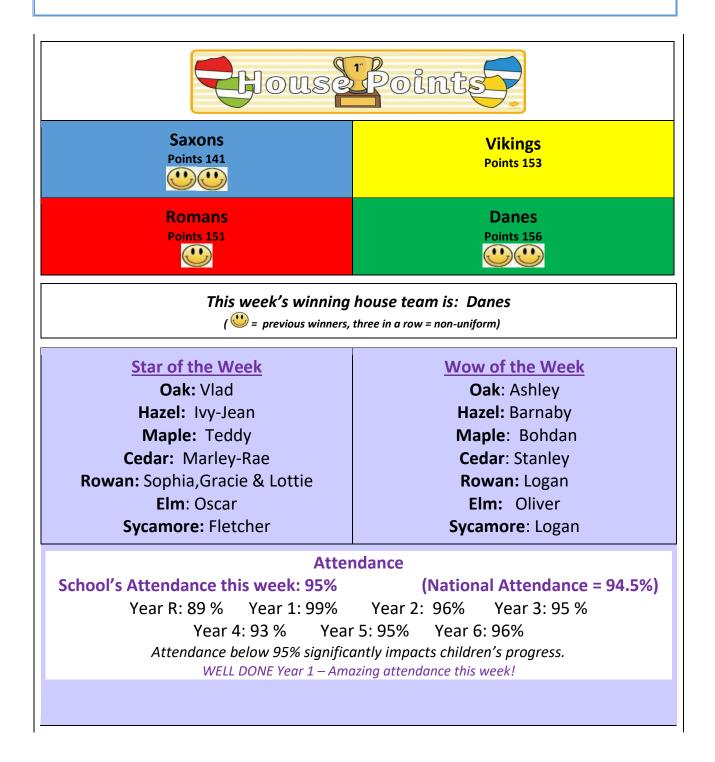
Friday 27th January



Mundford Mail

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

http://www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk/mundford/



WANTED

Do you have any unwanted house plants or lamps (in working order)? Oak Class would love to give them a happy home if you do. We could also do with some spare socks and tights if you have any you have grown out of. Please see Mrs Keeler or Mrs Tinkley with any donations – thank you.

Elm Class – Bring an empty plastic bottle on Monday

Just a reminder to Elm class pupils to bring in an empty plastic bottle (with a lid) on Monday as we will be making lava lamps as part of our SAW day.

Number Day: Friday 3rd February

February 3rd is NSPCC Number Day! As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we've decided to take part in a friendly competition involving schools in the United Kingdom. It's a 1-day competition which starts on Friday 3rd February 2023 at 07:30 GMT and ends at 19:30 GMT. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com

Children can play in any gamemode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a time limit of 60-minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between 07:30 GMT and 19:30 GMT on Friday 3rd February. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

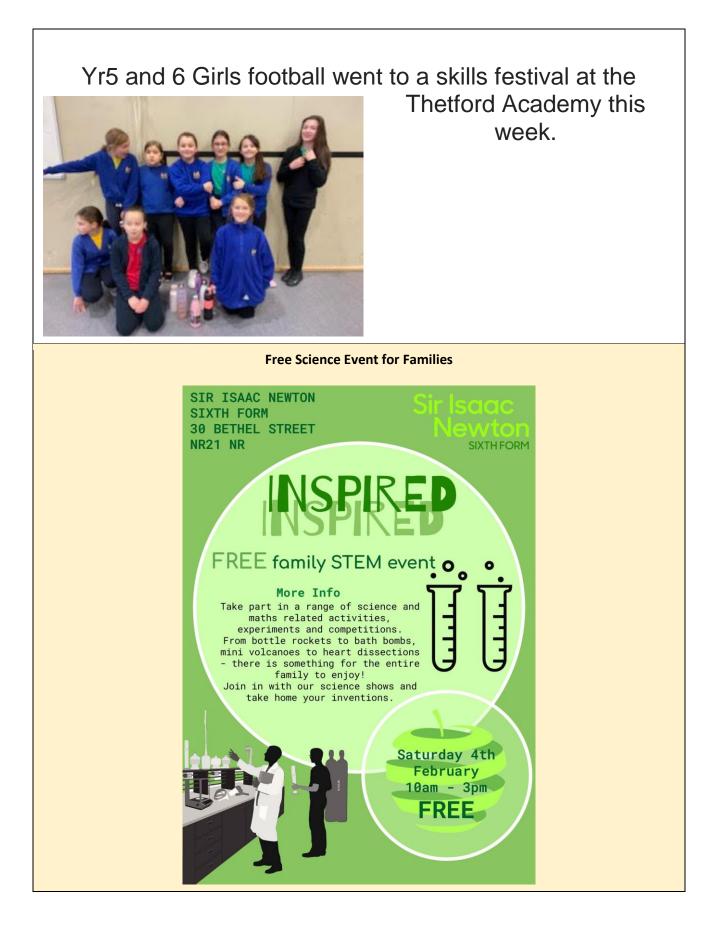
In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means, encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high-stress levels or impact on family plans.

Number Talk: Talk Positively about Maths

It's important to be positive about maths around children. The way we talk about maths makes a big different to how children see it. Saying things like "I can't do maths" or "I hated maths at school" might make your child start to think like that too. And sometimes we say things that give the wrong idea without realising.

At Churchside, we teach the children that **mistakes are marvellous**. It is when we get things wrong that we learn the most. We encourage you to use this at home too.

Attached to this newsletter you will find further information about how to be positive about maths with your children, as well as ideas for helping them see the Maths all around them.



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Clubs

<u>This term we are offering the following after-school clubs</u> Monday: Cookery for Y5 & Y6 with Miss Smith and Miss Brown Monday: Choir with Mrs Saunders Tuesday: KS2 Dance with Mrs Pooley & Miss Coates Wednesday: Taekwondo with John Wednesday: KS1 Lego Club with Mrs Jermy

Children in eligible year groups should have received information via Myed on how to sign up.

We are also running lunchtime homework (Mondays) and writing clubs (Tuesdays).

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 your understanding! Monday 30th January: Maple Class Mundford Junction 10am Monday 30th January: Cedar Mundford Junction 9-10 a.m. (In classroom) Thursday 2nd February: Oak Class Mundford Junction 2.15pm Friday 3rd February: NSPCC Number Day Monday 6th February: Cedar Showcase 9-10a.m. Monday 6th February: Rowan Class Junction 2:00-3:00 pm Monday 6th February: Maple Class Showcase 2:30pm Tuesday 7th February: Sycamore Class Junction 9.15am Wednesday 8th February: Elm Class Showcase 2:30pm Week beginning 9th February: Sign-up sheets for Parent-Teacher Appointments will be put out Half Term Holiday 13th – 19th February Tuesday 21st February: Sycamore Class Showcase 2.45pm 22nd & 23rd February: Parent-Teacher Meetings Friday 31st March: Last day of term Easter Holidays 1st April – 17th April Tuesday 18th April: Children return to school

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: a selection of traditional nursery rhymes

Hazel: The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson

Maple: The Case of the Disappearing Underpants by Nikki Young

Cedar: The Day I Fell into a fairy tale by Ben Miller

Rowan: TOTO the Ninja Cat by Dermot O'Leary

Elm: Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick

Sycamore: The Explorer by Catherine Rundall

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?

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Online Resources

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

Bug Club https://ww.activelearnprimaty.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 see the assigned weekly spellings for your child's class.

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

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

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.

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

<u>Maths Frame</u> Maths Games for KS2: designed by a teacher for teachers - Mathsframe Username: Churchside Password: maths123

Letterjoin 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.

School Uniform

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