



# Mundford Mail



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

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## House Points

Danes Points 158 😊😊😊	Romans Points 122	Saxons Points 132	Vikings Points 141 😊
This week's winners are Danes, non uniform Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October. 😊 = previous win                      3 wins = non-uniform day			

## Stars & Wows

Oak	☆ Esther 📋 Sophie
Hazel	☆ Phoebe D 📋 Frank
Maple	☆ Ayla-Rose 📋 Robin
Cedar	☆ Teal 📋 Rocco
Rowan	☆ Olivia 📋 Henry
Elm	☆ Paris 📋 Lottie
Sycamore	☆ Charlotte 📋 Alfie
☆ Stars celebrate values and behaviour. 📋 Wows celebrate an outstanding piece of work or learning.	

## Last Week's Attendance

Oak	Hazel	Maple	Cedar	Rowan	Elm	Sycamore
96.3%	90.69%	92.47%	95%	97.78%	98.52%	95.52%
Congratulations to our attendance winners ... Elm Class						
Attendance below 95% significantly impact children's progress.						

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## Notices & Reminders

- Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. We have been asked to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / Measles and how to get vaccinated. Please look at the Back to school MMR Guidance as well as the [NHS Vaccine Poster](#) and [NHS MMR Poster](#).
- **Food Policy**  
So that we can ensure that any child who is allergic to nuts does not come into contact with them please do not include items containing nuts in packed lunches. The Food policy can be found on the school website <http://www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Food-Policy-1.pdf>
- **Before & After School Care**  
Is proving to be popular, we still have spaces available, bookings can be made via parentmail.  
£7 for Breakfast Club (including breakfast) 07:40-08:40  
£7 for After School Half Session (including snacks) 15:20 – 16:20  
£13 for After School Full Session (including snacks & light tea) 15:20 – 17:30
- We politely ask that all parents/carers keep their children with them whilst on the playground, at drop off and pick up.
- We ask that you refrain from cutting through the cricket club fence/hedge. Please stick to the pathways for your own safety and the safety of others. The cricket club kindly allow us to use their parking facility, so please be respectful.

## Mundford School Food Bank

Thank you very much for all your Harvest Festival donations. The ethos committee made up of school children have decided to turn it into a community foodbank. Free for everyone in the community, please help yourself from the box outside the school gates Monday – Friday 08:00-16:30



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## Bring a stick to school day – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

As part of being a “Muddy Puddle” school we will be joining in with the “bring a stick to school day” initiative. Children are asked to bring a stick about the same size as their forearm please. During the day the stick will help them take part in outdoor learning and muddy moments. Thank you.

## School Council

The final fundraising event for the Ukraine Crisis appeal is Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Children are invited to come to school wearing the Ukraine Flag colours (blue and yellow) please bring a cash donation. This will be added to the previous fundraising amounts for our grand total.

## Plant Request.

If you have any houseplants that you no longer want or need we would be happy to rehome them in school. No plant is too big or too small, we will happily take them all. Many studies have shown that having greenery in inside spaces can have a calming effect and help to reduce stress and anxiety. As part of our ongoing 'Hygge Approach' we would like to make our school a greener place to be.

## Water Bottles

Can we kindly request that children do not bring water bottles with loose lids and straws? These aren't suitable for the classroom, as they can easily leak or will spill if knocked over. Sports-style bottles with leakproof lids are preferred. If your child does bring in an unsuitable bottle, they may be asked to keep it outside or by the classroom sink to prevent spillages on work. *Thanks*

## Mundford Junctions

We want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who come and support us at Mundford Junctions. We really appreciate you coming and sharing the children's learning with them. We do have a polite request that adults do not use their mobile phones during the sessions, phones should not be used in the school building. A few parents have pointed out that during the sessions some parents are talking very loudly during the Teacher's input and this makes it hard for them to hear. We ask that during the input by the teachers, parents are considerate of others.

## Reception 2024 New Intake Open Afternoon

Wednesday 1st November 2023

3.30pm to 4.30pm

A chance to look around the classroom and meet Mrs Keeler, the reception class teacher.



## Calling all children who love to write!

The BBC 500 Words Story Challenge is back. This is a fantastic opportunity for children write a story, with some great prizes as well as lots of ideas to inspire your children. If you have a child that likes writing stories, then check out the website for more details:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/about-500-words-collection/zj9b8p3>



We did it – thank you to everyone who sponsored us!

As a team, we raised over £400 for Cancer Research UK.

## Clubs

This half-term we are offering the following after-school clubs.

Monday: Gym & Fitness with Mr Brotherhood

Monday: Choir with Mrs Jermy and Mrs Saunders

Tuesday: Taekwondo with John

Tuesday: Art with Miss Musgrove Years 3 & 4

Wednesday: Cookery with Miss Lindsey and Miss Brown Years 5 & 6

Thursday: Gym & Fitness with Mr Brotherhood

To begin with, these will be offered to KS2 children as we find the younger ones are tired enough by the end of the school day. We vary our clubs each term, so there will be opportunities for children in Years 1 & 2 later in the year.

We also run different lunchtime clubs throughout the year. At the moment we have the following lunchtime clubs: KS2 Homework Club; Cross Country for all; KS2 Girl's Football.

If your child is in an eligible year group, you will have received information this week via email with the links to sign up.



## SENCo Kenco

Get in touch and have coffee and a chat if you have any concerns about your child at school.

Katie Tinkley – SENDCo [katie.tinkley@mundford.dneat.org](mailto:katie.tinkley@mundford.dneat.org)

## 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 16<sup>th</sup> October – “Bring a stick to school day”

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 2.15pm - Oak Class Mundford Junction

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Non-Uniform Day for Ukraine

*21<sup>st</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October: Half Term Holiday*

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Elm Class Showcase 2:45pm

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Flu Immunisation

13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> November: Bikeability Safe Cycling Training for pupils in Y5 & Y6

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Last Day of Term

*21st December – 3rd January Christmas Holidays*

## Resources for Supporting your Child at Home

The school website and half-termly class newsletters outline what each class is currently learning, along with ideas for things you can do at home. From Year 2 upwards, homework will be shared on Google Classroom. Please ask the class teacher if you are unable to access this and would prefer paper copies.

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

Bug Club is our online library of reading books, where you will find books assigned to your child's reading ability. It also has questions build-in to develop children's comprehension skills.

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



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Here you can play online games to practice spelling.

**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.

**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.*

**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.

## School Uniform

[https://corporatetiger.co.uk/?product\\_cat=mundford](https://corporatetiger.co.uk/?product_cat=mundford)

[www.facebook.com/myclothingltd](https://www.facebook.com/myclothingltd)