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House Points			
Danes Points 169	Romans Points 147	Saxons Points 179	Vikings Points 209 😊😊
This week's winners are the Vikings 😊 = previous win 3 wins = non-uniform day			

Stars & Wows	
Oak	☆ Wilfred 📎 Sophia
Hazel	☆ Finch 📎 Eden
Maple	☆ Sonny 📎 Elliott
Cedar	☆ Elise 📎 Paige & Harvey
Rowan	☆ Lillie & Jacob 📎 Charlie M
Elm	☆ Isabella 📎 Larna
Sycamore	☆ Molly 📎 Ronnie
☆ <i>Stars celebrate values and behaviour.</i> 📎 <i>Wows celebrate an outstanding piece of work or learning.</i>	

Last Week's Attendance						
Oak	Hazel	Maple	Cedar	Rowan	Elm	Sycamore
96%	91%	92%	95%	98%	98%	96%
Congratulations to our attendance winners ... Rowan & Elm						
<i>Attendance below 95% significantly impact children's progress.</i>						

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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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Caretaker

It was Mr Moore our Federation Caretaker's last day with us was today. We want to thank him for all his work helping to improve our school grounds and buildings and wish him all the best in his future endeavours. We are looking for a new caretaker to help us make our buildings and grounds the best they can be. We will be putting an advert out shortly but if this is something you would be interested in then please contact the school office for an informal chat.

School Council

Thank you to all those who came to school wearing blue and yellow in aid of The British Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal. We will update you on the final total after half term.



Something Fun

Half term is here and many of you will be travelling to various places for holidays and family visits. To pass the time when the battery has run out on the various electronic devices, my (Mrs G) family and I play the number plate game. You start from 1 and continue looking for the numbers in order (if you are on six and see an eight it doesn't count). Currently my family are looking for a 25, although Gracie at Mundford told me where one is, thanks Gracie. It is just a bit of fun to pass the time, if you choose to play it I would love to know what number you are on when you come back after the holidays.

Poppy Appeal

After half term we will be selling poppies and other items to support the annual British Legion poppy appeal. Children will need to bring the money into school with them and can then choose their items. Suggested donations are: Snap Bands £1.50, Silicon Wristbands £1.00, Zip Pulls and Reflectors 50p Please note: while we do allow the wearing of poppies & wristbands in school at this time of year, if they become a distraction, children may have to leave them with their teacher and they will be returned at the end of the day.

Plant Request.

If you have any houseplants that you 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*

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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>

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Clubs

This 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

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 October – Elm Class Showcase 2:45pm

Saturday 4th November – Gift day at church, children's tombola and treasure hunt.

Wednesday 8th November – Flu Immunisation

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

Sunday 3rd December – Advent family service at church, all welcome.

Wednesday 20th December - Last Day of Term

21st December – 3rd January Christmas Holidays

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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://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. It also has questions build-in to develop children's comprehension skills.

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

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

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
www.facebook.com/myclothingltd

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