



# Mudeford Infants

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Hello everyone,

What a great first term of learning! Our children in Reception had their first whole school assembly on Thursday where they attended the harvest celebrations. They sang a song to everyone and sat beautifully. They have come such a long way already! Well done to all of them for settling in so well.

Year 1 made some amazing dinosaur masks and their Dinosaur Stomp went down a storm with the parents. They have done some fantastic writing and have been so enthusiastic about their first topic. Well done to all the children for working so hard!

Year 2 have also been very busy. They held their very own Christchurch exhibition to parents on Thursday and they also got a special treat of a creepy song too! The children have made a 3D model map of Christchurch as well as creating leaflets and finding out all about our local area. Year 2 are going to have a fantastic year with lots more exciting things happening next half-term.

## Independence



I have noticed that many parents are carrying their child's book bag in to school for them and then putting it on their peg. After half-term it would be great to see if all children can carry their book bag into school and get themselves ready independently. This will help them to become more organised and less reliant on adult support. With a bit of persuasion it 's amazing what children can do for themselves!

## Thank you!

Mrs Butler was overwhelmed by the number of volunteers who came to help on Saturday. It was such an incredible team effort and so much got done as a result. We have a new pond, seating area, painted fences and walls, larger playground area (a whole fence got picked up and moved!) and very tidy planting areas. The community support we receive is so very much appreciated.

Thank you for all your donations of food for the Christchurch food bank. It will go a long way to supporting those in need in our community.

*Our governing body are as follows:*

*Caroline Watkins, Chair, Daniel Pope, Carly Butler, Louise Aytas, Emma Bollard, Frank Paines, John Churchill, Tony Fowler, Mark Colley, Fiona Sawdon, Karl Stark, Oliver Whittaker and Clare Fox, Clerk. If you wish to contact them directly please email [governors@mudefordinf.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:governors@mudefordinf.dorset.sch.uk)*

## Coming Up...

Thursday 18th October– **Harvest Assembly**

**Autumn Half term** w/c Monday 22nd October. **Return to school** Monday 29th October.

**Staff training day**– Friday 23rd November

**Book Fayre** w/c Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

**Book at Bedtime** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

**After school Christmas discos** Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

**Christmas Nativity**

**Arrangements**- T.B.C.

**Last day of term** Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

**Christmas holidays begin** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December.

**Return to school** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**Staff training day** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

**Spring half term** w/c Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

**Return to school** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

**Easter Holiday** begins Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Return to school Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

**May Day** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

**Summer Half term** w/c Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May. **Return to school** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

**Last day of term** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

Please be advised that there will be one more staff training day in June. That date has not been confirmed yet.

**Pupil's Contact Information-** Parents please ensure you inform the school office of your up to date contact details. In the event of a school closure parents would be informed by text message, so please inform the school office as soon as possible if you change your mobile phone number.

**Children Eligible to Start School for the First Time in September 2019–** If you have a child born between 1/9/14 and 31/8/15 you must apply for a school place now. You should apply online at [www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions) . The closing date for applications is 15th January 2019.

**Year 2 Parents Junior School Applications-** You should now apply for a place at a Junior school online at [www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions) . The closing date for applications is 15th January 2019.

**Reception parents** - If there are any wow moments during half-term where your child has done something special or learned something new then we would love to see it. You can do this by uploading it on Tapestry.

**Photo Orders–** Photo proofs and order forms went home in children's book bags yesterday. Please be aware that the closing date for placing an order is **Tuesday 6th November**. Parents now have the option to order on line. Please go to [www.SmileYellow.com](http://www.SmileYellow.com) and enter the number ID number and password provided on your child's order form.

Have an enjoyable half-term and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 29th October.

Best wishes

Daniel Pope  
Headteacher

## **Attendance**

Week commencing Monday  
24th September 96.%

Best Class Badgers 100%

Remember our school

expectation is 100%.

**All holiday requests will be unauthorised.**

The school day begins at  
8:45am with registration at  
8:55am. **Please do not be late.**

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