



Mudford Community Infants School

Happy Confident Learners

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NEWSLETTER 2

11th September 2020

Dates for the Diary

Staff training days (school closed) – Friday 2nd October & Monday 5th October (other dates to be confirmed)

Parent consultations (details to follow at a later date) – week beginning 19th October

Hello everyone

My goodness, your children are fantastic! On my walks through the school I have seen plenty of happy faces, busy learners and have been greeted with lots of enthusiasm. We really do need to know if your child has a worry or concern in school or you need to pass a message onto the teacher about them. However, time is limited in the morning and we need to try and get the children swiftly into the building so they can begin a busy school day. Therefore, you are welcome to use your child's class email if you have any concerns or call the school office requesting a phonecall or appointment with your child's teacher.

dormice@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Mrs Shale

hedgehogs@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Mrs Ainsworth

squirrels@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Miss Cheeseman

otters@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Miss Cope

owls@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Miss Dennett

badgers@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk – Mr Dear

3 good things about your day!

Keen to find out how your child's day was, I have heard many a parent say to their child at the end of the school day:

"Have you had a good day?" – Yeah

"What did you do?" – don't know

"Who did you play with?" – can't remember / no-one

It leaves you as a parent thinking the worst and that your child comes to school, learns nothing, is bored and plays with no-one! So (and this worked very well with my two children at home) try saying to them instead, "tell me **three good** things about your day." They may need a little prompting but they will soon get into the swing of it and you can model to them how it is done by telling them three good things about your day too. It really helps them to think in a positive way so give it a try and let me know how you get on.

Read Write Inc.

This week in Years 1 & 2 we have been assessing your child's Read Write Inc. reading level in order to determine which colour book is appropriate for their stage of reading. We will be beginning Read Write Inc lessons as soon as these are finished and your child will also then bring home a practise reading book. This term we are having a significant focus on reading in order to ensure your child continues to gain confidence in this important and vital life skill. This may include for some children 1:1 catch up sessions in the afternoon so they can have an extra session of tailored practise to support their development. Your class teacher will notify you if your child will be receiving this.

Terracycle Biscuit Wrapper Recycling

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to offer the facility to collect and recycle crisp wrappers or biscuit wrappers at school.

Attendance and reporting absence

It is very important that we are aware of the reason for your child's absence from school as early as possible. Please could you telephone or email the school office at your earliest convenience on the day of your child's absence and each subsequent day. We may then follow up the absence with you at a later stage in the day to discuss their situation.



St Claire's Breakfast & After school childcare

If you would like your child to attend St Claire's Breakfast or Afterschool childcare then please visit their website to find out more information or to make booking.

<http://stclaires.co.uk/mudford-after-school-clubs.html>

Online Safety

Please make sure that your children are accessing age appropriate sites, apps and material. There are a range of online safety guides from the following websites:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>

Please monitor your child's internet use even if you believe them to be accessing age appropriate apps, games and sites as sadly malicious and inappropriate content can still sometimes get through including TikTok which is a 12+ rated App.

Best wishes,
Mr Pope

Our governing body are as follows: Caroline Watkins, Chair, Daniel Pope, Emma Bollard, Frank Paines, John Churchill, Fiona Sawdon, Oliver Whittaker, Dawn Arnold, Richard Chumbley, Chris Dear and Clare Fox, Clerk. If you wish to contact them directly, please email governors@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk