



# MUDEFORD COMMUNITY INFANTS SCHOOL

Happy Confident Learners

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# HELPING CHILDREN LEARN HOW TO LEARN

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I am ready



## Tommy Tortoise

I keep trying



## Frankie Fox

I am curious and creative



## Michelle Meerkat

I work with others



## Olly Owl

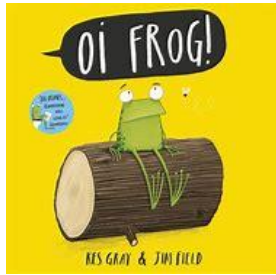
I reflect then improve



	EYFS	Year One	Year Two
<b>Danny Dog</b> I am ready 	I sit, look and listen.	I get my equipment ready.	I get everything I need to be successful.
<b>Tommy Tortoise</b> I keep trying 	I have a go and try again.	I try to get better.	I want to practise to improve.
<b>Frankie Fox</b> I am curious and creative 	I ask questions and I explore to find things out.	I think about and try different possibilities.	I make choices from what inspires me.
<b>Michelle Meerkat</b> I work with others 	I share ideas and listen to others.	I use my ideas and those of others.	I explain how working together improves my learning.
<b>Olly Owl</b> I reflect then improve 	I can say what is good and what I will change.	I improve by thinking about my and others learning.	I can explain how I improved my learning.

Our learning characters help children understand how to learn. By independently doing these things in school, children will build the necessary characteristics and skills of effective learning which will prepare them for the next stage of their school journey. Parents can find out about how their child is doing with these learning dispositions in parent consultations twice a year, as well as in their school report. They can also ask their child's class teacher for more information.

# MESSAGE FROM MR POPE



Hello everyone

We are really pleased to see that children's attendance has got off to a great start across all year groups. Attendance for the whole school is at 97.7% which is currently in the top 4% of schools nationally. I hope your child stays healthy and well as we come into the colder weather. Unless poorly, bringing them into school (even if they say they do not want to!) every day gives your child the very best chance to succeed.

Best wishes

Mr Pope

My favourite time of the week is reading stories to each year group. There are some links below in case the children want to hear them again.

Reception:

[Oi Frog! - Books Alive! Read Aloud book for kids \(youtube.com\)](#)

Year 1:

[All The Ways To Be Smart | \[Children's Book Read Aloud\] \(youtube.com\)](#)

Year 2

[Marguerite's Fountain - by Rachel Elliot \(youtube.com\)](#)



# CHRISTMAS EVENTS - SAVE THE DATES & TIMES

(MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW NEARER THE TIME)



- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November - **Pantomime - Sleeping Beauty** (9 - 10:30) - CHILDREN ONLY
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - **Christmas Making Day** – CHILDREN ONLY
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - **Book at Bedtime** (6pm - 7pm) - CHILDREN HAVE STORIES / PARENTS INVITED TO
- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December - **Breakfast with Santa** (Ticketed event) - FAMILIES
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December - **Christmas Discos & Christmas Mufti day** (2:00-3:00 Reception, 3:15- 4:15 Year 1, 4:30 - 5:30 Year 2) – CHILDREN ONLY
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - **Hedgehogs Nativity (9:00 – 10:00am)** – MAXIMUM 2 PARENTS
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - **Dormice Nativity (9:00 – 10:00am)** - MAXIMUM 2 PARENTS
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - **Squirrels Christmas Songs (2:15)** – PARENTS WELCOME (MAXIMUM 2 PARENTS IF INDOORS)
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - **Otters Christmas Songs (2:15)** - PARENTS WELCOME (MAXIMUM 2 PARENTS IF INDOORS)
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December - **Year 2 Christmas Songs (6pm - 7pm)** PARENTS WELCOME (MAXIMUM 1 PARENT IF INDOORS)
- **Christmas Dinner:** date to be confirmed - CHILDREN ONLY

# STAFF CHANGES

There are a couple of staff changes to make you aware of:

Firstly, Mrs Miller has left her role as teaching assistant in Squirrels class and we now welcome Mrs Pepler to the school in her place. The children have enjoyed getting to know her and are making her feel very settled into Mudeford Infants life!

Our incredible admin officer Mrs Lewis will be leaving us next week. She will be sorely missed by all of us as her professionalism, friendly face and calmness under pressure has been invaluable to the smooth running of the school. We wish her all the best with her future career.

Finally, our cleaners do a very important job and it is not an easy task to clean up after 180 children each day. From next week, we welcome Melvyn Goode to the team.

# HARVEST ASSEMBLY & FOOD BANK DONATIONS



**CHRISTCHURCH**  
**FOOD BANK**  PLUS

Reverend Kathy Hicken from All Saints Church will be coming in to carry out a special Harvest Assembly on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October**. If possible, please could your child bring in an item of non-perishable food that will be displayed in our hall then donated to Christchurch foodbank.

Thank you for your support.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Harvest Assembly	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October
Parent Consultations	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
Half-term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Last day of Autumn term	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December

## Inset dates for 2024/25 (children not to attend school)

Friday 13 June

Monday 21 July

Tuesday 22 July



# Do you need childcare before or after school?

We can help you find breakfast and after school clubs for your child. Many childcare providers and childminders will take your child to school and collect them at the end of the day, providing a complete wrap-around care service.

Most working parents can claim [Tax-Free Childcare](#) to help with costs, whilst your child can complete homework, enjoy sports, or participate in creative activities with their friends. Contact our friendly [FIS team](#) for further help.

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# Table Top Sale Preloved Toys and Clothes Newborn to Primary School age



**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 10am to 1pm**  
**Stanpit village Hall**

Your opportunity to  
**Sell on outgrown items**  
(Don't forget outgrown things from last Christmas!)  
**Tables £5 each**  
(Email [Terry\\_Melling@rnli.org.uk](mailto:Terry_Melling@rnli.org.uk) to book your table.)

Your opportunity to  
**Buy clothes and presents for this Christmas**  
(Save the planet and money by not buying new!)

Refreshments available.

All profits to **RNLI 200**