



Mudford Community Infants School

Happy Confident Learners

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NEWSLETTER 8

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Dates for the Diary

Staff training days (school closed) – Friday 13th November, Friday 12th February & Friday 18th June

October Half Term Holiday- w/c Monday 26th October

End of Autumn Term- Friday 18th December

Start of Spring Term- Monday 4th January

Spring Half Term Holiday- w/c Monday 15th February

Class Photos- Friday 5th March 2021

End of Spring Term- Thursday 1st April

Start of Summer Term- Monday 19th April

May Day Holiday- Monday 3rd May

Summer Half Term Holiday- w/c Monday 31st May

End of Summer Term- Friday 23 July

Hello everyone,

With the first half-term complete I would really like to thank parents for working with us to ensure we are all as safe as possible. It is truly wonderful to see all children back learning, smiling and having fun with their friends. Whole school attendance is 97.4% which really is to be applauded given the current circumstances. I very much hope that it remains this high in the coming months and that our children and their families are healthy and happy.

I would like to wish all our children a happy and well deserved half-term break with their families and we look forward to welcoming the children back for lots more exciting learning and of course, the run up to Christmas!

Mr Pope

Parent consultations

Well it was certainly an interesting new way to have these meetings and on the whole it was successful with 80% of parents being able to access the video calls. From feedback it was considered a positive process where parents could speak in the comfort of their own home and the appointments were kept to schedule. My thanks go to the teachers for carrying out several hours of back to back video calling which is not easy! For those who we had difficulty connecting we apologise for this and ask that if you have not yet spoken to your child's teacher that you email them to make an appointment.

Poppy Appeal

From Monday 2 November we will be selling poppies. If your child would like to purchase a poppy then please make sure they bring in a donation. All donations support the Royal British Legion to help provide life-long support to our Armed Forces Community.



Flu Vaccinations

These will be taking place in school on Monday 2nd November. For your child to receive the vaccination you must submit your consent on line before 2nd November. Please refer to the email sent to parents on 9th October for instructions.

Caring for our community and our environment – an inspiration to us all



Since returning to school and having to walk down the alley way, the wonderful and caring Henry mentioned to his Mum every morning how much rubbish there is. Shortly after he asked if he could come and pick up the rubbish as it makes him feel sad seeing it before school.

He collected a whole black sack and is very proud of himself. He has promised to do more litter picking to help the environment and to keep it looking nice for all the other children walking the same way.

A huge thank you and well done to Henry for getting out there and making a difference to our community. I hope others are now inspired to do the same!



Parents of Hedgehogs and Otters class

Please do not allow your child to play on the bikes and cars outside the Hedgehogs class at pick up and drop off times.

School Meals

Please make sure you have ordered your child's school meals for their return to school after half term. For those children who receive a special diet menu, HC3S has confirmed that the menu will remain the same. Your child will therefore continue to receive the same meals on the same days you previously ordered.

Have fun cycling!



We all know how important it is to stay fit and healthy and to get outside. It is proven that this is a great reliever of stress and good for your mental health. So we want you to get outside, get on your bikes with your children and show us what exciting places you can cycle to. It would be great if you could go out on your bikes and take a picture of the most interesting or beautiful place you can cycle to (please make sure your child / children are in the photo too).

Then email the picture to badgers@mundefordinf.dorset.sch.uk. The best pictures will be put on display in our school for all the children to see and those children's pictures selected will receive a couple of Muc-Off goodies to help look after your bike.

Get cycling! (And don't forget to wear a helmet)

Mr Dear

DoodleMaths

There is a webinar that you can attend or view a recording of via the link below:

<https://www.doodlemaths.com/free-parent-webinar/>

This is to help you get the most out of this resource and support your child with their learning.



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