



MUDEFORD COMMUNITY INFANTS SCHOOL

Happy Confident Learners

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MESSAGE FROM MR POPE

Hello everyone

Christmas is coming round faster than we thought! Next Friday we are going to make the school look as festive as possible and children will be enjoying making decorations to kickstart December. The children are also doing marvelously well at practising singing songs, learning lines and dance routines ready for the Nativity in Reception and Christmas songs in Years 1 and 2. We look forward to the performances!

On my visits to the classrooms recently I have been so impressed with the perseverance shown by the children with their learning. Just like Tommy Tortoise they really do stick at it when something is not straightforward at first. Our teaching staff make a conscious effort to instill a growth mindset into our young learners and they do not often accept the first attempt! We have seen some amazing improvements to artwork, designs, writing and dance or gymnastics once children are given a bit of feedback as to how to improve and then have several attempts to be the best they can be. Take a look at the 'Austin's Butterfly' approach on the link below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_6PskE3zfQ

Best wishes

Mr Pope



Our teachers are very grateful to Friends of Mudeford Infants as they got to share out the high quality children's books that have been kindly purchased.

These will go a huge way to making sure children develop a love of reading and learn about all sorts of different characters, settings, plots and new vocabulary.

Our librarian Miss Davies will be stocking up our library with new and donated books in the coming weeks too so make you visit on either Monday, Wednesday or Friday after school.

Here at Mudeford Community Infants we really do love reading!



LIBRARY EVENT – JUST KEEP READING!



Congratulations to all of the children in year one who got certificates this week for using BoomReader for the first time.



Thank you to Mrs Shale for putting on our second library event of the year – it was all things Gingerbread Man!

The library was packed out which was lovely to see and they even got to decorate their own gingerbread man to gobble up after the story.

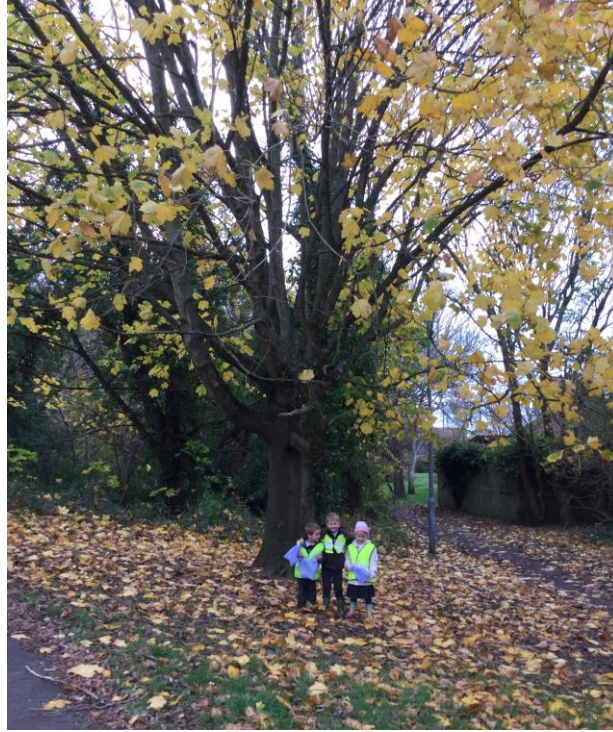
Look out for the next event in the new year.

LOOK AT OUR GEOGRAPHERS!

Thank you once again to Friends of Mudeford Infants for supplying each class with an awesome interactive globe for the children to learn with. They have been very well received. Try testing them on their countries and capitals of the United Kingdom and continents and oceans!



RECEPTION WOODLAND WALK



Our children in Dormice and Hedgehogs class went on a thoroughly enjoyable Autumn walk into Mudeford Wood on Thursday.

They talked about all the things nature has to offer at this time of year and brought back plenty of leaves to use in the classroom.



The children were beautifully behaved and had a lovely time. Thank you to our staff for organising this and to our parent volunteers for supporting this trip out of school. We heard that one of the Mum's even did some tree climbing which was great to see!

ATTENDANCE FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR



Whole school to date: 96.4% (national average 94.9%)
We are in the top 14% of schools nationally for attendance.

Thank you for doing all that you can to bring your child into school. It is important where possible that they do not miss out on their learning. Catching up is hard to do!

Otters 97.4%
Squirrels 97.3%
Dormice 96.4%
Badgers 96.3%
Owls 95.5%
Hedgehogs 95.4%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

*After half-term we will send a separate letter providing information for Christmas events

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
INSET Days (school closed)	Friday 14 th June, Monday 22 nd July, Tuesday 23 rd July
Christmas decoration making day	Friday 1 st December
Christmas mufti and Christmas discos	Friday 8 th December (Reception: 2-3pm, Year 1: 3:15 – 4:15, Year 2 4:30 – 5:30)
Reception Nativity performance (9:15am – 10:00am)	Dormice parents: Tuesday 12 th December, Hedgehogs parents: Wednesday 13 th December
Year 1 Christmas Songs performance (2:15pm – 3:00pm)	Otters parents: Tuesday 12 th December, Squirrels parents Wednesday 13 th December
Year 2 Christmas Songs performance (6:00pm – 7:00pm)	Wednesday 13 th December
Book at Bedtime (evening event – details to follow)	Tuesday 5 th December
Christmas Discos (details to follow)	Friday
Last day of Autumn term	Friday 15 th December
Start of Spring term	Tuesday 2 nd January