



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Spring Term 6

11th February January 2022



In this newsletter, find out about:

- **Mrs Gordon's message and school news**
- **Reminders and Notices**
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[A message from Mrs Gordon](#)





Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday this week it was Safer Internet Day. Our School Council presented an assembly to the rest of the school about being respectful online and the dangers of communicating with strangers online.

For Key Stage 1 there was a story about making sure you speak to an adult before clicking or agreeing anything online and not sharing passwords. This is a huge area of safety that we talk about throughout the year and not just something to speak about on one day. However, it did give us the opportunity to highlight key safety features. As parents and carers, you play a vital role in keeping your child safe online. There is a wealth of information on [Childnet](https://www.childnet.co.uk). Do please take some time to consider it. In addition, if you do nothing else this weekend take a moment to find out about what your child is doing online. Maybe play a game with them, or watch a youtube clip together. This is a great way of finding out about your child's online activity as well as ensuring that they know how to keep themselves safe.

Our weekly class celebrations were very varied this week and so I thought that I would share them with you all. In Year R Mrs Ford was very proud of the children for developing their clay skills and making some fantastic clay portraits. In year 1, Mr Ward-Penny and Mrs Berger were very pleased with the children's focus and engagement when they made their Tudor houses ready for their Great Fire of London re-enactment next week. In Year 2, the children have been trying very hard to be kind to each other and Miss Grounds was delighted that they made such efforts this week. In Year 3 the children made cam mechanisms in DT. They found this very tricky but Mrs Palin and Mrs Munden were very proud of their resilience and patience. In Year 4, the children had to take sides and work in two debating teams to try and persuade each other which crayon to choose (yellow or orange).

Based on the book 'the Day the Crayons Quit' they worked well as teams to come up with their arguments. Year 5 had visiting specialists in Well being and completed a whole day of activities thinking about their own well being and how they can prioritise it. They were very engaged and focused well in their activities. Year 6 have been learning about different indigenous populations that live in the Antarctic and they learned a lot through their own research in a focused and motivated way. Well done everyone!

Congratulations must also go to our Cross Country runners who took part in a locality event on Wednesday afternoon. A special well done to Hugo, Joe, Lacey and Evie who have qualified for the next stage. Our Year 6 girls team also did really well and won their category - fantastic representation everyone.

I have been overwhelmed with recycled animals and my office now looks a bit like a zoo! Thank-you to all of the children who took part in the recycled animal project. The School Council chose winners this afternoon who will be awarded prizes next week in assembly. The animals will be on display in the library for the next few weeks.

Good luck to our 10 Dancers who are taking part in the Dancehouse event next Thursday at the Alexandra theatre in Bognor. We are very excited to be representing North Mundham for the first time at the event.

Our Eco day last week raised £126 which was really great so many thanks to all who donated. This will go towards materials for our outside classroom -The Den.

Happy Friday!

Zoe Gordon

Clay faces















The recycled animals







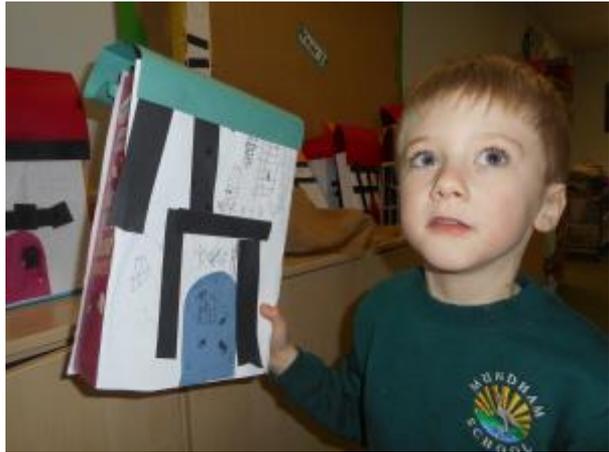
Cross Country





Year 1 Tudor houses







Preparation for Dancehouse



Reminders and Notices



Notices

Parent helpers

Many thanks to those of you who have responded to my message last week and Mr Murray's letter. If you are still interested in coming into school to help, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Love Yourself Day- THIS MONDAY FEBRUARY 14TH

The PTA are organising this event for Valentine's Day. For a donation of £1, the children can come to school dressed in clothing that makes them feel good. They can also bring a small cake to eat at the end of the day. (This is instead of a cake sale).

Year 1 Royal tea party

Year 1 have received a special invitation to a royal tea party as part of their learning about the Queen and London. This will be on Tuesday 15th February.

Year 3 and 4 Peter Pan Film Night

On Friday 18th March (4.30-6.30), Year 3 and 4 children are invited to come back to school to watch Peter Pan. We thought that this would be a fun way of introducing them to the story that they are going to perform at the end of term. More details will follow about this next week.

Library Competition

For this month (culminating on World Book Day on 3rd March) children have been asked to draw, collage, sketch or paint their favourite book character. Entries should be handed in to the blue tray in the library.

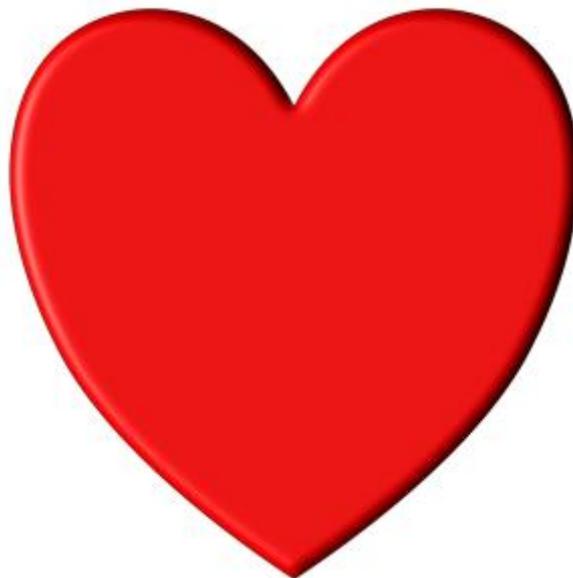
Toys and items from home

Please do **NOT** allow your child to bring in items from home. Small toys etc easily get lost and it generally causes upset. In some classes, teachers organise special show and tell sessions which you will be notified about.

Smarties Challenge

The great success of the Smarties Challenge in October means that we are repeating it this February half term. Children will bring home a tube of Smarties which they can eat or share. Then they are asked to do some chores in return for a small fee which they fill their tube with. Tesco have very kindly donated the Smarties for this fundraiser and the money raised will go towards some new books for our library.

Many thanks for your understanding and co-operation on all of these matters



1 - Love yourself day! February 14th

Dates for the diary



- 14th February- Love Yourself Day (wear your favourite clothes and bring a cake to eat)
- 15th February year 1 Royal tea party (party clothes for year 1) - see separate letter about this.
- 17th February- visit from Hedgehog Rescue
- 17th February- Dancehouse performance Y3/4
- 18th February- Year 3/4 Peter Pan film evening (see separate letter)
- 18th February- Half term Smarties challenge
- 3rd March- Book Day (details to follow)
- 8th March- TT Rockstars Day (more details to follow)
- 10th March- Book/dance workshops (more details to follow)
- 11th March- Hot Chocolate Sale
- 18th March- Zoolab (more details to follow)
- 25th March- Mothers' Day Sale
- 5th and 6th April- Year 3/4 performance of Peter Pan (details to follow)
- 26th April- Girls' Cricket festival at Goodwood - see separate letter.
- 4th May- Young Voices O2

INSET Days 2021-2022

28th February 2022

27th May 2022

(All INSET days are either at the beginning or end of a school holiday, we ask that you take advantage of these for family holidays or long weekends and DO NOT book holidays in term time.)

INSET Days 2022-2023

1st and 2nd September

(Others to follow)

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