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Welcome to Our Mundy CE Junior School December 2025 Newsletter

Reindeer Dash... Be Caring and Proud!

Earlier in the month, our children participated in the 'Reindeer Dash' as part of the first Mundy CE Juniors 'Tinsel Olympics!'. This fantastic and fun event took place to raise funds for the Treetops Hospice, who came in to school and talked to the children about the amazing work that they do in our community. We had the traditional 'dash' following Santa around our school playground, but we also had a 'Tinsel Olympics' throughout the morning, with snowball golf, a snowman relay, Christmas yoga and many more exciting events! We would like to say, 'Thank you' to all of our children who took part in this worthwhile event and to you all for helping us raise over **£760** so far for the Treetops Hospice, could we please ask if there are any remaining monies that these are sent in before the Christmas holidays. 😊

Our Christmas Service at St Lawrences Church... Be Respectful!

We held our Christmas Service at St Lawrences on Thursday 11th December. Thank you to all who attended and what a wonderful way to celebrate the Christmas period, the children were excellent and as always did us proud. Thank you all once again for coming along to celebrate with us.

Our Christmas Fair... Be Happy!

On the evening of Thursday 11th December, we also held our Christmas Fair. This is always a popular event, and we thank you all for coming along to support. Christmas isn't Christmas without a school fair!

Our Christmas Parties... Be more Happy!

The Christmas Parties take place on Tuesday 16th December for Y3/4 until 4pm and on Thursday 18th December until 4.30pm. On these days the children are welcome to come to school dressed in their party clothes (if they choose to wear them - uniform is also fine!). The afternoon is filled with games, dancing, silliness and a time to sit and enjoy some party food. We thank all of you for your kind donations towards this, every little thing does help, and it is greatly appreciated.

Our Christmas End of Year Treat... Be even more Happy!

On the afternoon of Friday the 19th of December (you will have seen from a previous Weduc message), we are visiting our church and enjoying an afternoon of Panto and Popcorn. The children will visit during school hours and the end of the school day is as normal. We ask that children do come in their normal school uniform on this day please (please remember a coat) - many thanks.



Our PTA... Be Responsible and Trustworthy!

As you will very well know schools are a very busy time of year, and without the help of our dedicated PTA we would not be able to run and enjoy all of the lovely events that we hold. This is just a big thank you from us to them for all of their hard work – we couldn't do it without you.

DANGEROUS AND ILLEGAL PARKING... Be Safe!

Now for the sad part of the newsletter - unfortunately, we have received a number of complaints that there has been, and is, illegal parking near the school at drop-off and pick-up times, one particular place is in and around the junction to Stainsby Avenue making it dangerous for pedestrians to cross. **We have also received reports that our neighbours' drives are regularly being blocked by cars – even when waiting for only a short time we cannot allow this to take place, or people are parking opposite the zigzags – please show consideration when you park (even if it is only for a few minutes...).** If this continues to put others at risk, we will have no alternative than to report poor and illegal parking to the police, in order to keep our children safe. Let us all try to 'Be Safe' in future. Please can we also ask if you can ensure the safety of your child by **Crossing using the Allocated Crossing Patrol.**

Applying for your child's next phase of school ... Be Prepared!

Just a little reminder that the 'Application Window' is now open for those wanting to apply for a space here at Mundy CE Junior School for our Year 3 next year. If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 and is in their last year of infant school, you should apply for their junior school place between the 10 November 2025 and the 15 January 2026. If you would like to have a look around our school, please feel free to contact the school office on: 01773 713427, where we can arrange a personal visit. As a school we offer small bespoke visits as opposed to a larger event, this helps you to get to know us, and lets you ask questions in a more personal environment. For more information on applications, please look at: [Primary, infant and junior school admissions - Derbyshire County Council](#)

Our local Community Events ...Be Prepared

There is a lot going on over the Christmas period within our community

St Lawrence Church has a number of services over the Christmas period:

- Blue Christmas (worship and reflection of those who find this time of year difficult, sad or complicated): **Sunday 21st December at 10.00am**
- Carols by Candlelight: **Sunday 21st December 4.30pm**
- Family Crib Service: **Wednesday 24th December at 3.30pm**
- Midnight Communion Service: **Wednesday 24th December at 11.30pm**
- Christmas Morning Communion: **Thursday 25th December 10.00am**

Local Consultation

There is a drop-in engagement session about the next steps for the Grammar School (Science Block) which is taking place on Thursday 18 December between 3pm and 6pm at St Lawrence Church in Heanor. For those unable to attend, an online consultation form is available: [The future of the science block](#)



HAF - Clubs, Childcare, Activities and support for families over the Christmas break

- Infinite Wellbeing: [Our schedule](#) | [Infinite Wellbeing](#) | [Powered by ClassForKids](#)
- It's About Me - Derbyshire: [Home - Bookings Now Open! - It's About Me](#)
- AVSSP: [FSM Booking Page - Christmas 2025 - Amber Valley School Sport Partnership CIO](#)

Coming up when we are back in the New Year... Be Prepared!

Just a heads up that we have an information evening for our Year 6 Parents on Wednesday 14th January at 5pm. This is an opportunity to talk to staff about the events of Year 6 in their final terms - as this can be very busy for the Year 6 children.

Please note that from January there will be a change to the PE and Swimming days, please see the table below for your child's changes, if any.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Ash					PE day
Beech				PE day	
Elm					Swimming day
Oak		PE day			
Sycamore			PE day		
Willow	PE day				

We wish you all a happy and safe Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing you all in the new year.



Dates for your Diary ... Be Prepared! Please find dates below that you may find useful:

Autumn Term 2	Monday 3 rd November to Friday 19 th December (7-week term)
Tuesday 16 th December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (end time 4.00pm)
Thursday 18 th December	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party (end time 4.30pm)
Friday 19 th December	Whole School PTA Cinema Treat
Friday 19 th December	Break for the Christmas Holidays
Wednesday 28 th January	Parents Evening Appointments 4.00-7.30pm
Thursday 5 th February	Curriculum Day
Thursday 12 th February	PTA Quiz 6.00pm
Friday 13 th February	Break for half term
Spring Term 2	Monday 23 rd February - Friday 27 th March (5-week term)
Monday 23 rd February	First day back
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Thursday 5 th March	Curriculum Day
Monday 16 th March	Inset Day #3
Tuesday 17 th March	Year 5 Bikeability



Wednesday 18 th March	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday 19 th March	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday 19 th March	Spring Disco 5.30-7.00pm
Friday 27 th March	Break for Easter Holidays

Summer Term 1	Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May (6-week term)
Monday 13 th April	First day back
Wednesday 22 nd April	Y4 Bikeability Level 1
Thursday 23 rd April	PTA meeting 3.45pm
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May	End of KS2 SATs for Year 6
Thursday 21 st May	Sponsored Walk
Friday 22 nd May	Break for half term

Summer Term 2	Monday 1st June – Wednesday 22nd July
Monday 1 st June	First day back
Thursday 4 th June	PTA meeting 3.45pm
Saturday 13 th June	Mundy's 9 th Horticultural Show
Monday 15 th June	Inset Day #4
Thursday 18 th June	Curriculum Day
Wednesday 1 st July	New Year 3 Parent's Evening – 5.30pm (information) 6.00pm (Presentation)
Thursday 2 nd July	Whole School Trip (Years 3-4-5)
Friday 3 rd July	Whole School Transition Day
Monday 6 th July	Year 5 and 6 Sports Day at 9.30am
Tuesday 7 th July	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day at 9.30am
Thursday 9 th July	Transition Disco – 5.30-7.00pm
Wednesday 15 th July	Parents' Open Evening 4.00-7.00pm
Thursday 16 th July	Year 6 Graduation Outdoor Disco – 6.00-8.00pm
Wednesday 22 nd July	Graduation Ceremony Year 6 – 2.00pm and last day of term for all children
Thursday 23 rd July	Inset Day #5

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