



The Mordiford Mail



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We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Happy Christmas from all at Mordiford CE Primary School

It has certainly been a fun packed December here at school with so many different events and surprises. It has been a joy to share the build up to Christmas with the children, to watch their confident performances and hear their beautiful song and laughter. I would like to thank the children and our families for your commitment this term, the staff for their dedication, the Governing Body for their support and the PTFA for their enthusiasm. I hope that you all have a fun filled break with your loved ones.

Happy Christmas and
A Peaceful New Year.

Best wishes,
Miss Finney

See you in 2016!



Our Christian Value of the month is love



“If you look for it, I’ve got a sneaky feeling you’ll find that love actually is all around”

- Love Actually

Judges Lodging

“The whole of KS2 visited the Judge’s Lodging on Thursday. We dressed up as Victorians and we discovered how tricky it was to move in long skirts and they were very heavy. Going down into the basement was terrifying as it was only lit by gaslight. We visited the kitchen and we discovered what Victorians ate at Christmas if they were rich and what they ate if they were poor.” By Flora, Hattie & Amber (Yr6)

All the children had a great time on their trip, they made traditional tree decorations, played parlour games and found out about Victorian Christmas customs. For example, it was quite surprising to hear about the contents of a Victorian stocking.

Thank you children for being such good ambassadors for our school.



Attendance

The attendance figures for November and December are as follows:

<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
Lugg: 97.3%	Lugg: 98.5%
Monnow: 95.3%	Monnow: 97.9%
Arrow: 97.7%	Arrow: 98.6%
Wye: 93.5%	Wye: 96.8%
Teme: 96.5%	Teme: 97.6%
Frome: 96.1%	Frome: 99%
Pentaloe: 94.3%	Pentaloe: 93.7%

Well done to Arrow Class for the best attendance during November and Frome Class for the best attendance during December.

The attendance for the Autumn term is:

Lugg: 98%
Monnow: 97.5%
Arrow: 98%
Wye: 96.5%
Teme: 97.1%
Frome: 98%
Pentaloe: 95.6%

Whole School: 97.3%

Thank you for supporting the school attendance policy.

Weekly reminders and messages...

- Arrow class (yr2) will be learning the recorder after Christmas with Mrs Broadbridge, so they will each need a recorder of their own. Can they please bring them into school on the first week back after the holidays.
- Swimming next term will be Arrow (yr2) and Teme (yr4). Please remember their kits for the first session on Monday 11th January.
- If you have a child born between 01/09/11–31/08/12, you will need to apply for a school place by 15/01/16. Applications should be completed online at www.herefordshire.gov.uk/reception-class-admissions.
- Thank you to so many people for completing the paper version of the Travel Plan questionnaire. It would be extremely helpful if everyone who completed the questionnaire could spend a few minutes transferring that information onto the online survey, which will help to speed up our Travel Plan, by following this link- <https://starsfor.org/surveys/143> . Many apologies for the inconvenience.
- We have 2 vacancies at school for a part-time cleaner and for a school crossing patrol officer. If you are interested in either (or both) of these positions please come and talk to Miss Finney.

KS2 Christmas Carol Service

On Monday afternoon and Tuesday evening KS2 performed their Carol Service in Holy Rood Church. Well done to all the children for giving such beautiful performances of carols, poetry, music and prayer.

Father Christmas and his Reindeer visit Mordiford

On Tuesday the children had a lovely surprise visit from Father Christmas and a couple of his reindeers, Oscar and Honey. Each child received a gift from Father Christmas and then had the opportunity to pet the reindeer and have their pictures taken. Thank you very much to the PTFA for helping Father Christmas to delight the children.



Dates for your diary...

Spring Term 2016

Please note new dates in bold

- Tuesday 5th January 2016—Spring Term begins
11th January—Clubs start
12th January—Fire safety visit for Arrow Class
14th January—Choir at Young Voices
15th January—Energy Workshops and Assembly
19th January- KS2 Maths Parents Info Session
22nd January—Wear what you like day—Bingo prize donations
27th January—Arrow class worship
29th January—PTFA Bingo night at Hampton Bishop Hall
1st–5th February—Charities week

Good luck and congratulations to Miss Wesley, soon to be Mrs Chattington, who is getting married over the Christmas holidays.



Happy birthday this week and over the Christmas holidays to...



Chloe Hyde, Gideon Nicholl, Flora Rogers, Caitlin Largesse, Tara Mair, Mia Powell & Amber Preedy.

In our prayers this week...

We pray for those who may be lonely, cold, hungry, homeless or in exile this Christmas. We hope that God's love brings peace and warmth to all.

