



The Mordiford Mail



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Schools out for the summer!

Hopefully the sunshine will return after this slightly soggy end to the term. Thank you to everyone for your support this year; as always our school works so well because of great relationships, the hard work of staff and governors and such supportive families.

I hope that everyone has a fun packed summer break ready to return for the new year full of enthusiasm.

Best wishes, Miss Finney

Our Value of the month is Thankfulness



THANKFULNESS

“Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough”

— Oprah Winfrey

Growing Local

Year 5 were each presented with a copy of the cookery book they helped create earlier in the school year. The class took part in a 'local produce' project which involved creating and researching recipes which featured locally grown ingredients. Copies of the cookery book can be bought via the website: <http://growinglocal.org.uk/>

Bristol Aquarium

“On Monday we went to Bristol aquarium. We saw the suspension bridge and SS Great Britial on the way there on the white bus. When we were there we saw pink jelly fish and an orange lobster which was called Satsuma. We also saw bull sharks, dog sharks, piranhas and a pacific octopus. We had a really fun time.”

- by Thomas



House Point Winners

Congratulations to Haugh House who were this year's House Point Champions. Thank you to Olivia and Louis for leading their team throughout the year with such positivity and encouragement. All of Haugh enjoyed popcorn and milkshakes this morning as a treat. House Captains are gathering the views of their team mates to see how to spend the £50 prize awarded to Haugh. This will be used to buy something that the whole school can enjoy in September.

Year 6 Leaver's

Good bye Pentaloë Class. We are so proud of the amazing young people that you have become and of all that you have achieved at Mordiford. Follow your dreams at high school.

Thank you for our amazing Buddy Bench—we love it. We will enjoy using it in the new year.



THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

ANIMAL AGENTS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2017

animal-agents.org.uk

The **Summer Reading Challenge** combines **FREE** access to books with fun, creative activities in the library during the summer holidays. Throughout the Challenge, library staff and young volunteers support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading.

How the Challenge works

- Children sign up at their local library and receive an Animal Agents collector folder
- Children borrow and read at least six library books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers to complete their folder and incentives along the way
- Library staff and young volunteers are on hand to advise and run family-friendly activities

Children who complete the **Summer Reading Challenge** are presented with a certificate and a medal

For more information visit your local library

In our Prayers...

Loving God, Creator of all times and places; we thank you for the gift of summertime, the days of light, warmth and leisure. Thank you for the beauty that surrounds us everywhere we look:
 the multi-coloured flowers,
 the deep blue of the sky,
 the tranquil surface of lakes,
 the laughter of children at play,
 people strolling in the park,
 families gathered around picnic tables and the increased time to spend with family and friends. As we open our eyes and ears to the landscape of nature and people, open our hearts to receive summer as a gift. Let all the gifts we enjoy this summer deepen our awareness of your love so that we may share this with others. Amen

Happy Birthday this week and over the summer holidays to...

Austin, Kacey, Frankie, Ed, Ben W, Freya P, Noah C, Maisey, Ffion B, Armani, Gerard, Verona, Charlie, Elliot, Gracie, Ollie H, Erin, Rohana, Levi, Olivia T, Alexandra & Esme



Weekly messages

- Well done to Teme Class for their Wider Opportunities concert on Tuesday, it was a lovely performance. Thank you to the parents who joined us and a big thanks to Mrs Gibson for teaching the children the cornet and making music so fun for them.
- We had an assembly on Wednesday in which we were joined by staff from Tesco who presented us with the money made from the bags with Honor's design. £103 has been raised for school so far. What a fantastic figure! Honor is going to help us decide a good use for the money.

Dates for your diary...

Autumn Term 2017

Please note new dates in bold

5th September—New school year begins

8th September—Welcome Service at Holy Rood Church for new Reception Class and parents

Week Beginning 11th September: Meet the Teacher meetings

11th—15th September—Pentaloe Class at PGL

3rd—6th October—Pentaloe Bikeability Training

5th October—Caerleon Roman Museum

19th October—Tempest Individual photo's

20th October—Break up for half term Tuesday 5th

23rd—27th October—Half Term

30th October—Back to school

Rounders and Cricket Tournament

Wednesday some of our Year 4/5 children represented our school at a rounders and cricket tournament at the Hereford Leisure Centre and came second overall. They played extremely well and showing great sportsmanship.