



The Mordiford Mail



This week we have been thinking about the importance of remembering those who gave their lives in World War 1 and in following conflicts. On Wednesday we marked the signing of the Armistice by standing still at 11 am during our worship. The whole school listened carefully as some children from Pentaloe read the names of the fallen soldiers, 19 who died during WW1 and 5 during WW2.



We shared the prayer that is in this week's prayer corner and listened to an extract from the famous poem by Laurence Binyon

"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them."

We have bought some lovely spring bulbs so that each child can plant a bulb in the hope that by spring we can see some beautiful flowers in our car park. We made the link with how the poppies flourished in the battle fields and brought hope that after terrible things the good things return.

The children behaved beautifully and were very respectful.



Our Value this half-term is Freedom



We remember all those who lost their lives fighting for our freedom.

Prayer Corner

Ever Loving God,

We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;

May the same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO STAY SAFE

Please remember that if you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

Main symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. You and anyone you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.
Anyone in your support bubble should also stay at home if you have been in close contact with them since your symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.



Stars of the week



Head teachers Award

Esme thank you for your happy, cheerful and helpful attitude. You are like a little ray of sunshine brightening everyone's day.

Kindness Award

Ffion in Y5 has nominated Grace "because she always knows when I need a little bit of her kindness"

(Yr R) Lizzie

You have been trying really hard to keep up your spirits during our long walks. Your resilience and stamina is definitely improving and its great to see you smiling! Keep it up!

(Yr 1) Monnow

You have been amazing in what has been a week full of changes. You have adapted to a different way of working, even higher expectations and have worked hard to pull together as a team.

Thank you.

(Yr 2) Lydia

You have excelled yourself this week. You have given your best in EVERYTHING. I have been really impressed with your writing and your explanation of the methods that you have used in maths.

Well done.

(Yr 3) Poppy and Sariya

What an amazing start you have made to your time at Mordiford. You have both come in with a great learning attitude, lots of confidence and smiles. Lovely to see you both so settled so quickly.

(Yr 4) Hugo

I have been so impressed with your hard working attitude and resilience towards all of your lessons. You are listening well and really showing a much more mature approach in class and at play-times. Well done and keep up this super effort!

(Yr 5) Grace

You have a fantastic approach to all the work in the classroom. You are dedicated, focused and resilient! Keep it up!

(Yr 6) Christian

For much improved confidence, self belief and resilience, especially with tricky maths work. You are relishing the challenges and making tremendous progress. Top work!

Well done to all our stars!

Lunch time Supervisors

We are looking for a couple of people who are able to work as lunch time supervisors 11.30am—1pm from Monday to Friday. If you are interested or know anyone who may be interested please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Messages and reminders

- Please remember that in the current situation we would be grateful if you wish to send treats in for your child's class on birthdays that they are something wrapped inside a sealed bag such as Haribo Star mix treat size bags. This is so the packets inside which the children will take home are untouched by anyone other than the bubbles member of staff and that particular child.
- Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas Cards/Gift wrap with Art Projects for School. We raised £176.00 for the PTFA.
- **Please can all children to bring wellies or old trainers with them each day. This makes it much easier to stagger lunch and break times over the winter. Thank you for your ongoing support.**

2020-2021 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2020

Term Ends: Friday 18th December 2020

Spring Term 2021

Terms Starts: Tuesday 5th January 2021

Half Term: Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1st April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Tuesday 20th April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31st May - Friday 4th May 2021

Week beginning 10th May KS2 SATS assessments

Term Ends: Wednesday 21st July 2021



Olivia, George and Harry



Virtual Wreath Workshop

WITH HELIANTHUS FLOWERS

Everything you need is provided, all you need to do is join the virtual workshop and enjoy making a wonderful festive wreath under the guidance of Helen from Helianthus Flowers



3 Workshop dates available :
Thursday 3rd December – 11am
Sunday 6th December – 11am
Monday 7th December – 7pm

**Workshop spaces are limited so please book quickly to avoid disappointment, spaces will be allocated on a first come basis. Please book direct with PTFA via email—
mordifordptfa@gmail.com**

Wreath Kit contains:

- ◊ 8" mossed wreath
- ◊ Cut foliage—ample to make a great wreath incl. various spruce, Christmas tree, conifer
- ◊ Wire
- ◊ Ribbon for hoop and bow
- ◊ Decorative accessories—orange slices/ cones/cinnamon stick
- ◊ Step by step instructions & zoom details

How to book:

1. Email to book a space—Please incl. your name, how many kits are required & which workshop you would like to join.
2. Receive confirmation of reserved space with payment details
3. Make payment & let us know its complete
4. Arrange collection/delivery of wreath kit
5. Enjoy the workshop

£25 MINIMUM DONATION