



## OUR VISION

The start of a new year is a good time to remind ourselves of our school vision.

At Mordiford Primary school we **treasure each individual**, believing that everyone is unique and valued by God. We create a **nurturing, inspiring** and challenging learning community rooted in Christian values : **compassion, respect and love**. We provide an outstanding education for our pupils underpinned by a **growth mindset** philosophy enabling our pupils to be responsible, confident and empowered so they can grow and **flourish** as young adults.

### Nurture - Inspire - Flourish

Staff have been working hard to develop our curriculum 'Breadth of Study' documents, starting with : Science, History, RW and Geography, to show how our 'golden threads' (the things that are really important to us at Mordiford) are woven into our teaching and learning.

Our 3 'Golden threads' are :

- **Environmental consciousness** : we want our children to think about the environment when they make choices about how they live, we want them to be 'changemakers' to protect our environment.
- **Understanding global perspectives** : we want our children to promote respect to all, celebrate diversity and to be open-minded to change.
- **Innovation and enterprise** : we want our children to 'think outside the box'.

If you want to find out more, we will be uploading some sample documents in the curriculum area of our website.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

We love reading at Mordiford and want to help our children choose books that are perfect for them SO.... we are going to scan, record and sticker all our books in school. This will help us set up a proper library system at Mordiford. We would love some parent volunteers who could help with this task which could take a few days to get done!



## Big Garden Birdwatch



It's never too early to get your garden Birdwatch ready. Top up your bird table and your feeders, and fill the bird bath to the brim. And remember to regularly remove old food and clean feeders weekly to avoid the risk of disease. Giving birds time to know your patch as a place to regularly feed means the livelier and more entertaining your Birdwatch will be. No garden? No problem! Even a small window feeder will attract more birds to your Birdwatch.

Over at [rspb.org.uk/feedthebirds](https://rspb.org.uk/feedthebirds) and [rspb.org.uk/keep-your-bird-table-healthy](https://rspb.org.uk/keep-your-bird-table-healthy) there's loads of advice on making sure you make your garden count this January.

Visit [rspb.org.uk/birds-to-spot](https://rspb.org.uk/birds-to-spot) to find out more about your feathered friends. Knowing your great tit from your coal tit will give you more time to enjoy their antics without having to look them up. If you go to [the 2022 results](https://rspb.org.uk/2022-results), you'll see which birds were seen the most and which made it into the top ten. What will the rankings look like this year?

Big Garden Birdwatch Live will stream across the event weekend. Tune in for expert commentary, interviews and chat with special guests and wildlife experts from across the UK. We'd love to see your pics and stories on social media so please use **#BigGardenBirdWatch**. Stay tuned for more details.

Are you ready to look out for birds? Don't miss out, put the date in your diary:

**27-29 January.**



## Dates for your diary



Date	Time	Event
Wed 4th Jan		Term 2 starts
Thur 19th Jan	13:15-14:15	Reception & Y6 height & weight checks
Tues 24th Jan	all day	Y5 at Courtyard Theatre
Tues 31st Jan	15:15 - 16:30	PTFA Meeting (all welcome)
Tues 14th Feb	09:00 - 09:30	Parent Drop in R, Y1, Y2, Y3
Tues 14th Feb	09:30 - 10:00	Parent Info - Helping your KS1 child with maths
Wed 15th Feb	09:00 - 09:30	Parent Drop in Y4, Y5, Y6
Wed 15th Feb	09:30 - 10:00	Parent Info (details to follow)
Wed 15th Feb	17:00 - 19:00	PTFA Family Bingo Night
Fri 17th Feb		Interim Reports issued
Fri 17th Feb	All Day	Sponsorship event for Nitin in Malawi
Mon 20th- 25th Feb		Half term holiday
Mon 27th- 3rd Mar	All week	Book Week - more details to follow
Mon 13th-17th Mar	All week	Y6 PGL Residential week
Mon 27th Mar	10:30 11:20	Hereford Cathedral Trip Y5 & Y3
Thur 30th Mar	14:00	KS2 Easter Service
Fri 31st Mar		Last day of term 2

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Holly, who has been cast the role of Greta, in the Courtyard's production of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.

Well done Holly, what a fantastic achievement.



### Family Values

This half term our family value is **COMPASSION**

Click [here](#) to see the activities for you to explore together.

**Children can bring their artwork for a Values display in the hall.**

### Prayer Corner

Dear Heavenly Father

Thank You for today. Thank You for the inspiration You give me to dream and to set goals for myself. Setting goals gives me the motivation to live each day purposefully and with direction.

So I pray that You will help me have the determination to follow my dreams and guide me so I can achieve my goals.

Amen