



Welcome Back

How lovely it has been to complete our first week back with the children! The school has come alive again with the sound of happy voices in the corridors and classrooms, and it's been a joy to see the field buzzing with activity.

Staff are really pleased with how well the children have settled in, engaging enthusiastically with their work and quickly learning their new routines.

A special welcome to our new Nursery children – it's been wonderful to see them exploring and enjoying their new environment. We're also thrilled with how our new outdoor space is being used by both Nursery and Reception – it is already making a big difference.

Reception Admissions 2026

We are holding two open events for parents of children due to start school in **September 2026**:

- **Wednesday 8th October at 9.30am**
- **Monday 20th October at 1.30pm**

The online admissions portal to apply for a Reception place for the **2026/2027 academic year** opens on **15th September**.

Club Bookings on Arbor

If you're unable to book a club through **Arbor**, this means the club is **now full** and no further bookings can be made. We understand this may be disappointing, and we're sorry for any inconvenience caused.

DROP OFF / END OF DAY Pick Up

Thank you for your patience with pick up at the end of the day during this busy period. The field will be closed next week, with the start of clubs.

To help with the smooth running of 'Pick up', please abide by the following :

- **Do not arrive before 3pm** (except for early pick up from Nursery).
- **Do not park on the road** (as this slows the traffic coming out of the exit and causes jams).
- **Do not try to turn right into the car park** when there is traffic queueing to turn left (turn at Sufton Rise and join the queue)
- If you get out of your car to collect your child, **please pull into one of the parking bays first**.

When you are in the central lane in the car park, please do not park and get out of your car as this stops the flow of traffic. Teachers will bring your child to you.

Thanks for your help with this, please be respectful and patient with others whilst we get back into the routine, thank you!



**MORDIFORD C of E
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Open Days 2026 Admissions

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Mordiford Church of England Primary School is a **friendly and thriving village school** nestled in the countryside, surrounded by forests and rivers. It is an ideal location and wonderful environment in which our **children can grow and flourish**.



Reading about a school is only an introduction, come and meet us and see our school in action!



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Dates for your Diary



Date	Time	Event
Thurs 18th Sept	9:00 – 10:00	Welcome Service in Holy Rood Church for YR followed by Meet the Teacher
Wed 1st Sept	9:00 – 12:00	Individual School Photos
Fri 3rd Oct		Nasal Flu Vaccine for Children
Wed 8th Oct	9:30 - 10:30	Open Morning for Reception 2026 Parents
Thurs 9th Oct	9:00– 9:30	Y4 Class Assembly
Thurs 16th Oct	9:00 - 9:30	Harvest Festival Service in Holy Rood Church led by KS1
Mon 20th Oct	9:30 - 10:30	Open Afternoon for Reception 2026 Parents
Tues 21st Oct	9:00 - 10:00	Parent Drop in and Info Sessions Y6, Y5, Y4
Wed 22nd Oct	9:00 - 10:00	Parent Drop in and Info Sessions Y1, Y2, Y3
Thurs 23rd Oct	9:00 - 9:30	Y5 Class Assembly
Mon 27th—Fri 1st Oct		Half Term
Wed 5th Nov	13:30 - 18:00	KS2 Parent Meetings
Tues 11th Nov	9:00 - 9:30	Remembrance Service in Holy Rood Church led by Y6
Wed 12th Nov	13:30 - 18:00	KS1 Parent Meetings
Thurs 13th Nov	9:00 - 9:30	Y3 Class Assembly
Wed 19th Nov		Y3 Trip to Bishops Wood Field Centre
Thurs 27th Nov	9:00 - 9:30	Y2 Class Assembly
Tues 9th Dec	TBC	KS1 Nativity
Mon 15th Dec	TBC	KS1 Theatre Trip—Sleeping Beauty at Worcester Swan
Wed 16th Dec	TBC	KS2 Carol Service
Fri 19th Dec		Last day of term 1

PTFA Uniform Donations

The PTFA are happy to accept donations of second-hand school uniform, including: Polo shirts, jumpers and cardigans with the school logo, PE kits and any other items featuring the school logo

Please note: we are not currently accepting plain grey items such as skirts, trousers, or dresses. Donations can be dropped off at the school office, or you can email mordifordptfa@gmail.com to arrange a drop-off or for any enquires.

New Caretaker

We are sad to say that the lovely Mr Watson is soon to retire from his position as school caretaker. We are hugely grateful for the excellent contribution he has made to life at Mordiford and we will be sorry to see him go!

This means we will be advertising for a new caretaker, if you know of someone who would be interested in this position, please contact the office for a job description and more information.

Free School Meals

If you think you could be eligible for benefit based free school meals you can apply online at <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/free-school-meals>

Even if your child is in YR, 1 or 2 and receiving universal free school meals, applying for benefit based free school meals can also offer the benefits of supermarket vouchers to help during half-term holiday and free holiday club places.

Prayer Corner

Dear God,
Thank you that you are always willing to give us a fresh start.
Thank you for your love for us.
As we start a new school year, please help us to make good decisions about the way ahead.
Please help us to work hard this year and to form good friendships.
Please help us in all the ups and downs.
Amen.