

Mundella Primary School






School Welcome Pack 2025/26




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Staffing

Senior Leadership Team		
Mrs Lauren Wharmby Co-Headteacher & SENCO	Mrs Lisa Paez Co-Headteacher	Mrs Louisa Blunden Assistant Headteacher
		

Reception Class Team		
Mrs L Blunden Reception Class Teacher	Mrs Simmonds Reception Class VSTA	Miss Ballard Reception Class TA
		

Pastoral Care
Mrs Carol Gretton Senior Family Liaison Officer


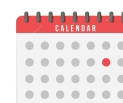
School Uniform

As a school we feel that it is important that the children come to school ready to learn and wearing the correct school uniform helps them to do this. The school wishes to promote a sense of pride and belonging in our children and believes that the wearing of a school uniform is one of the ways in which this can be achieved. The uniform is simple and practical, suited to the demands of a primary school education and economically priced.

Daily Uniform	P.E. Kit								
<p>Red polo shirt</p> <p>Grey trousers or trouser shorts</p> <p>School sweatshirt or sweatshirt material cardigan with Logo (no fleeces indoors)</p> <p>Plain Black Footwear (no high heels)</p> <p>Grey skirt</p> <p>Red, grey, navy blue or black tights (not leggings) or plain dark/white school socks</p> <p>Red gingham dress in summer (optional)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plain black or blue shorts• Plain navy blue or black jogging bottoms in cold weather• Team colour t-shirt (first t-shirt is provided by school, additional t-shirts can be purchased from the school for £4.00)• No earrings, jewellery, make-up and nail varnish to be worn to school including Tag Days.• Trainers <table border="1"><tr><td>Blue</td><td>Green</td><td>Red</td><td>Yellow</td></tr><tr><td>Water</td><td>Earth</td><td>Fire</td><td>Air</td></tr></table> <p>Order your uniform online;</p> <p>http://www.channeluniforms.co.uk/</p> <p>https://www.hawkingeuniforms.co.uk/</p> <p><i>Channel Uniforms Ltd</i></p> <p>Springers Personalised Products</p>	Blue	Green	Red	Yellow	Water	Earth	Fire	Air
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ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.

Children can wear their own clothes to school on their birthday, or on the Monday or Friday should the date coincide with the weekend or a school holiday.



Water bottles



We will provide your child with their first water bottle and will encourage them to drink frequently throughout the day. Replacement Mundella water bottles are available to purchase from school at a cost of £2 each.

School bags & PE Kits

Book bags are available to purchase at the uniform outlets, named on the uniform page. Whilst not compulsory, your child will need a suitable bag (not too big) to transport their school items. We ask that you do not put water bottles in the same part as their school book to prevent any water damage.

You will be notified which day(s) your child will need to wear their PE Kit to school. It may not be in the first term as EYFS children undertake a lot of their physical development in their outside area as part of their usual daily activity.

Spare clothes / underwear

During EYFS it is advisable that children bring spare undergarments to change into should the need arise. (Please also ensure that these are named). Spare clothing is available in an emergency. Any borrowed items must be washed and returned the following day.

Messy play

As part of our curriculum the children are actively encouraged to take part in messy play / sensory play activities. Despite supplying aprons and wet weather clothing and with the best will in the world, your child's uniform, at times, will inevitably get messy. We encourage you to think of your child's uniform as something that is designed to endure the wide variety of activities that the school offers. If your child's uniform does get messy, the more fun and learning experiences they will have had at school that day!

Social Media and Website

We regularly update our Facebook page to showcase the wonderful activities that our children take part in throughout the year, you can search for Mundella Primary School or find us here: <https://www.facebook.com/MundellaFolkestone/>

You will also find lots of useful information on our school website here:

www.mundella.kent.sch.uk


ClassDojo

At Mundella, we use a secure platform to share information and photos about what we are doing. This also has a 'chat' element where you have the facility to message the class teacher. As this is a secure site, we ask that you do not repost photos. We will share news and with your permission, photos of the busy children undertaking their daily activities.

Our School Values

Each term we celebrate our school values by presenting button badges to pupils in each year group. They wear them with pride, around the school, as a visible symbol of living by the values that each colour represents.

Pupils strive towards earning each of the colours at which point they are presented with a gold button badge.

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	<p style="text-align: center;">ASPIRE</p> <p>We believe that our children can be whatever they wish to be.</p> <p>We want them to aim high and become members of society that really make a difference.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ACHIEVE</p> <p>Our drive is to equip children with the skills that they need to meet their academic and personal goals.</p>
	Our School Values
Caring	Develop the skills and ability to care for themselves, property, peers and the whole community and make a difference.
Creativity	Develop and explore skills, imagination, confidence and new ideas.
Respect	Treat each other, the environment, our community and possessions as we would wish to be treated in return.
Independence	Develop the initiative, confidence and self-esteem needed to achieve today and in the future.
Collaboration	Think together, work together, achieve together, celebrate together.
Honesty	Be true to yourself and to others even when it is tough.

Snacks

The children will be provided with a drink of milk or water during morning break and some fresh fruit. Breakfast crumpets are also provided in class daily at 8:30am, free of charge.

School Lunches

School lunches for all children in Years R up to, and including, Year 2 are free for all children, we do also apply to KCC for means tested Free School Meals for our children, where parents agree, as it can provide extra funding to the school to support the children.

Our lunches are provided by Whole School Meals: <https://wholeschoolmeals.co.uk/>



Their aims are:

- To provide nutritious, tasty food for children which supports their health and well-being
- To source local produce whenever possible
- To maintain the highest professional standards including food hygiene and health and safety
- To work closely with the local community of schools, parents and children and consult with them about our activities and key decisions
- To value every member of staff and seek to reward staff fairly and involve them in the Company's development
- To be commercially viable and financially independent

You can find the school menu on our website here:

https://www.mundella.kent.sch.uk/_site/data/files/documents/23-24/A488A36DD619AF30A5F2EEEE2AAA6594.pdf

We have compiled pictorial menus to make it easier and clearer for the children to make their own decisions and select their own lunches in class.

Lunch boxes

If you choose to send your child into school with a packed lunch, please ensure this is named. Please note that **we are a nut free school therefore, no contents of your child's lunchbox should contain nuts**. Any food items that do contain nuts will be removed from the lunch box.



Attendance

Attendance and Punctuality

We expect 100% attendance for all our children where possible and we also place a great deal of importance on punctuality as we feel it is one of the key factors in giving your children the best possible start to their day.

Illness

Please ensure you notify the school **each day** your child is absent due to illness providing reasons for their absence.

If your child requires medicine during the school day we are able to give it to them. Speak to the school office to fill in an 'Administration of Medication' form and bring the medicine in to school in clearly marked packaging, if the medicine has been prescribed ensure the label is on the packaging.

Do be assured that if your child is too unwell to be in school we will contact you. Your child's well-being is important to us and we want every child to be happy, healthy and ready to learn.

Appointments

Doctor and dentist appointments should be made outside of school hours where possible. If they do have to be during school time please notify the school office.

Holidays

If your child is away from school for any reason it will have an impact on their learning. Holidays should **not** be taken during school time. Holidays during term time will result in the Local Authority sending you a Penalty Notice. Penalty Notices are issued to **each parent of each child** and the amount of the penalty will be £160 to be paid within 28 days, reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days. Failure to pay the penalty in full at the end of the 28-day period may result in prosecution by the Attendance Service.



Term Dates

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Below are the term dates and dates of training days throughout the academic year 2025/2026.

Term	Start Date	End Date	Term Time Bank Holidays
1	Tue 2 nd September 2025	Fri 17 th October 2025	
Half Term	Break up at normal time on Friday 17 th October, return to school on Monday 3 rd November		
2	Mon 3 rd November 2025	Fri 19 th December 2025	
Christmas Break	Break up at 1:30pm on Friday 19 th December, return to school on Monday 5 th January		
3	Mon 5 th January 2026	Fri 13 th February 2026	
Half Term	Break up at normal time on Friday 13 th February, return to school on Monday 23 rd February		
4	Mon 23 rd February 2026	Thu 2 nd April 2026	Fri 3 rd April 2026
Easter Break	Break up at 1:30pm on Thursday 2 nd April, return to school on Monday 20 th April		
5	Mon 20 th April 2026	Fri 22 nd May 2026	Mon 4 th May 2026
Half Term	Break up at normal time on Friday 22 nd May, return to school on Monday 1 st June		
6	Mon 1 st June 2026 (Fri 26 th June - Inset Day SCHOOL CLOSED)	Thu 23 rd July 2026	
Summer Break	Break up at 1:30pm on Thursday 23 rd July, return to school to be confirmed		

Be ready to support school and attend events throughout the year.

Staff Training Days
Children do not attend school on these days.
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