



A school which promotes respect and healthy living and where everyone feels valued and able to reach their full potential

21 May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Y6 residential to Willersley Castle

At the time of writing this newsletter, the Y6s are on their residential to Willersley Castle. They are doing extremely well and have been an absolute pleasure to take! I also want to say a huge thank you to the staff who have attended and made the trip possible. Thank you as well to Friends of Mundella for providing the children with their brilliant hoodies! We will be handing them out at the end of the residential. A final thank you to parents who have been incredibly supportive of this and made the whole process a pleasure to organise! Thank you all!

Staffing Update

Mrs Roberts will be leaving her role as teaching assistant at the end of this month. I would like to thank her for all her hard work and everything she has done to support Mundella children. We are looking forward to welcoming back Mrs Kitson from maternity leave. Mrs Kitson will return the week commencing Monday 1 June and will be working on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We have also appointed a new teacher to cover Miss Farrell's maternity leave from September 2026. Mrs O'Shea will be joining the team and I know she's very much looking forward to it! In July, we are saying goodbye and thanks to Miss Smith, who works on the premises team. She has kept the school clean and tidy for a remarkable 19 years and we are extremely grateful for all her hard work. Thank you! Finally, in July, we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Hardaker who will be leaving the teaching profession to explore other career options. She has worked at Mundella for 10 years and has been a highly valued member of staff. Again, I would like to thank her for everything she has done for children and the school during her time here as well as extending our very best wishes for the future.

Yard after school

Just a reminder that children should not be scooting or cycling in the playground after school - thank you.

Letter from Sheffield City Council

Attached with this newsletter is a letter from Sheffield City council regarding healthier journeys in Sheffield which I have been asked to circulate to parents.



Lost Property

Every day, some Y6 children sort through the vast swathes of lost property we accumulate. They do a brilliant job and have asked me to send the following message to you:

We need your help!

Every day we try to return lost property to its owner but we can't because there are no names in them. Please help us and we can help you!

Name your child's property

Thank you

From the Mundella Lost Property team

Lion Cub - Pride of Yorkshire

We have just been informed about the location of our Lion cub. Below is a message from the Sheffield Children's hospital:

'Your cub will be situated in **The Moor Market**, 77 The Moor, Sheffield, S1 4PF from the 8th June to 7th September for all to see!

There will be physical trail maps available for purchase in venues across the region as well as a digital app for you to collect all the sculptures you find on the trail! More information can be found on our website closer to the trail going live.

We have also just announced that all money raised from this project will be going towards the redevelopment of the Emergency Department at Sheffield Children's Hospital. You can read the full story on how you are making a difference here: <https://prideofyorkshire.org/what-is-the-trail-going-to-fund/>

Y3 Science Workshop

The University of Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC) delivered an exciting and engaging science workshop in Y3 linked to their light topic. The children enjoyed the hands-on, interactive experience.



INSET Days for 2026/27

Whole school closure days for staff training next school year are: Tuesday 1 September, Friday 23 October, Monday 4 January 2027, Monday 7 June 2027 and Wednesday 21 July 2027.



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Half-term holiday

We break up for half term on Friday 22 May. As always, the children have achieved some magnificent things this half-term and we are all very proud of them. I hope everyone has an enjoyable break. School is closed for an INSET day on Monday 1 June so we look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday 2 June.

Yours sincerely,

William Smith

