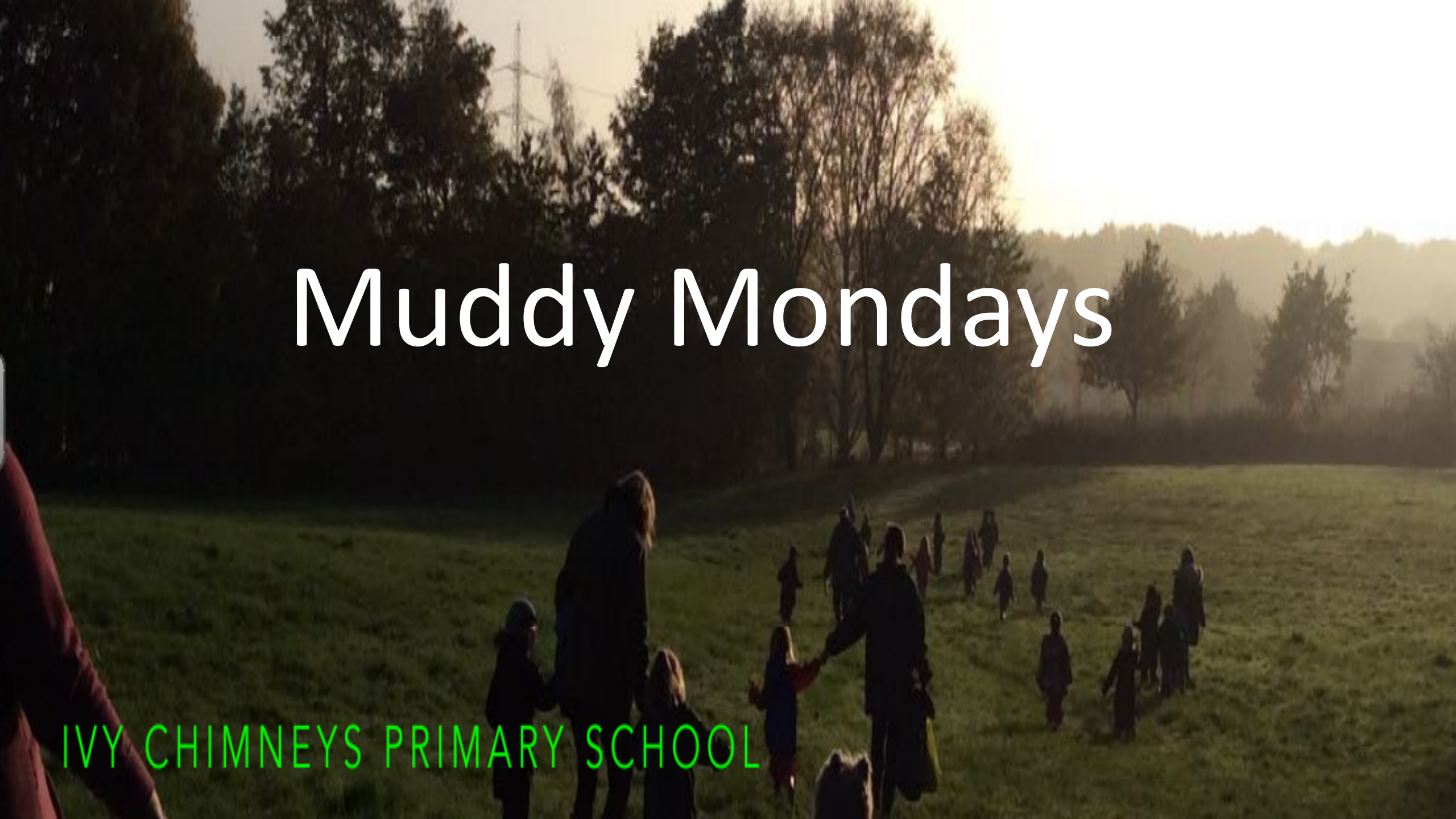

Muddy Mondays
IVY CHIMNEYS PRIMARY SCHOOL



Muddy Mondays provides play-based learning opportunities for children in an outdoor environment. It follows the ethos of the Forest Schools approach and allows children an opportunity to explore and learn in an unique setting.

It allows the children to explore nature, learn how to look after the environment and supports all aspects of their development

SOCIAL, PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, COMMUNICATION, EMOTIONAL.

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Muddy Mondays helps children to be resilient, confident and independent.

- Risk taking
- Problem solving
- Thinking skills
- Responsibility
- Exploration
- Critical thinking



Muddy Mondays in the timetable

- Muddy Mondays will take place on a Monday afternoon with the aim to leave school by 1.30pm
- Children will take part in four week blocks in order to build upon previous knowledge
- Larch class will start Muddy Mondays on Monday, their last session being on the 3rd December
- Ash class sessions will then begin after Christmas.
- Muddy Mondays will take place in most weathers, with the exception of high winds and storms



What does your child need?

- Ivy Chimneys will provide each child with a pair of waterproof trousers and a waterproof coat.

- <u>Children do not need a complete change of clothes, just layers to make their uniform a bit warmer!</u>
  - E.g. warm socks to go under wellies
  - Tights/ leggings to go under trousers
  - A fleece to go over their jumper.

- Children will need a hat and scarf in cold weather. In hot weather they will need a sun hat and sun cream.





We need your help!

Are you free on a Monday afternoon?

Do you like being outside?

Would you be interested in becoming a Muddy Mondays volunteer?

If you would be prepared to support the sessions then please speak to Miss Laing. There will be a sheet outside the classroom for you to sign up.