

ULEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



25th May 2018

Live, Learn, Flourish

Six very busy weeks have passed and a well-deserved half term break is here. Have a good break everyone. We look forward to seeing you Monday 4th June.

We say goodbye to the Brown family today and wish them the very best of luck on their new venture. We'll miss you!



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Y6 SATS

A huge well done to the Year 6s for being the best they could possibly be and completing their SATS week. They embraced the week with a positive attitude and with determination. The Year 5s are already putting in requests for their SATS breakfast!

Arthur G for working really hard to find all the full stops and using the screw driver (from the punctuation toolkit).

Isabel B for trying hard with her writing this week using range of sentence structures.

Xavi for achieving full marks on his spelling test.

Joseph S for a beautiful story – The Very Hungry Falcon.

Elsie for her excellent story writing this week, trying hard to use lots of expanded noun phrases.

Florence for her description of the 'Bog Baby'.

Archie for taking care with his work and becoming a more diligent learner.

Zara for great sorting in Maths and finding half of shapes.

Lily N for producing a well-written and beautifully presented diary entry.

Violet C for her Bog Baby warning commands.

Krystal for always being a respectful team player in the classroom.

Freddie E for showing respect by watching the Reception practice their class worship and giving constructive feedback.

Elliot R for respecting the referee's decision when playing rounders.

Thomas H for taking pride in his work even when finding it hard.

Arthur B for always showing respect to equipment and helping to tidy up.

Mabel for always showing respect towards other children in the class and supporting other children with their work.

Florence for always being polite to peers and adults.

Anya for showing respect and kindness to her peers when helping them with their artwork.

Pearl for showing respect by playing cricket fairly and supporting her fellow team members.

Aayan for showing respect towards his peers and adults.



Staffing Updates

Mrs Nash will be joining Class 4 for the rest of the summer term as Teaching Assistant whilst we recruit for a permanent member of staff. Thank you Mrs Nash!

Family Support Liaison

Uley School has joined with three other schools locally to recruit for a Family Support Liaison. A Family Support Liaison works alongside school staff to provide an extra layer of support for the parents and carers of our pupils, providing individually tailored practical and professional advice, and guidance on all aspects of parenting. More information will follow after a successful appointment.

Comparison Faith Week – Judaism Week

This year in our Comparative Faith Week we will be focussing on the Jewish Faith. This is the closest in world faiths to Christianity. We will start the week with a 'WOW Day' of activities including dance, music, crosses and food tasting. Children will work with their buddies throughout the day. We will also be working in teams to create art work that depicts scenes from the Old Testament stories which show our values:

- David and Goliath – Trusting in God's strength
- Jonah and the Whale – God shows compassion
- Esther; The Brave Queen – Esther shows friendship to the Jews
- The Ten Commandments – Moses shows wisdom following God's instruction.



Throughout the rest of the week the children will work in classes at an age appropriate level to learn about the beliefs and lives of Jewish families.

Parent Governors Vacancy

Our Governing Body includes parent governors and 2 of these places will be up for election in July (ready for the new school year in September). Parent Governors are nominated and elected by other parents. We'd love to chat if you think you might be interested in finding out more about what's involved. The role is interesting and rewarding, with 3 core functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff;
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Please speak to a governor or a member of staff if you'd like to find out more. Parent Governor Election's paperwork will be sent out the first week back at school.

Family Information Service

The Family Information Service offer a wide range of information to support families, children and young people from 0 - 19 years of age (25 for young people with additional needs). This includes information on finding and choosing childcare, such as local day nurseries, playgroups, childminders, children's centres, out of school clubs and holiday play schemes.

They can also provide information on family support, tax credits, benefits, funding and much, much more.

www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk

Snacks

Don't forget the infants will continue to enjoy a piece of fruit or vegetable daily and we would encourage juniors to bring in a piece for break times also; it can be a long morning without a snack. Tuesdays are toast days for Infants and Thursday for juniors – 10p a slice. Fridays are Fruitless Fridays when children can bring in a fruitless snack for break time. Water is available throughout the day.



Calling New FUS Committee Members!

At the end of this academic year, Judith Taylor will be standing down as chair of the FUS and therefore we are looking for enthusiastic and energetic volunteers to join the committee.

Anyone who is interested or wants to find out more, please contact any of the existing committee or email uley.fus@hotmail.com

Open to all friends of the school, including parents and grandparents

Thank you for your support
Friends of Uley School

Father's Day Celebrations

Come and join us on Friday 15th June 9-10am, for some Father's Day arts and crafts. We welcome dads, grandads and stepdads, we look forward to seeing you all.

Head lice

Head lice are a normal part of childhood - surveys among primary school children have found that nearly 1 in 10 have head lice at any one time. If you're a parent you probably know what a hassle it is to treat head lice and just how frustrating it can be when your child comes home scratching their head yet again.

It is important to check your child's head regularly, to treat hair as soon as you find any and continue to regularly check. Have a look at these websites which gives you lots of guidance on managing head lice:

<http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Skin Health

Young skin is delicate and very easily damaged by the sun. Please slap on a sunhat and slop on plenty of sun cream before school. At school the children are encouraged to slurp plenty of water. Please also put some clearly named sun cream in your child's bag.



on a fastened shirt or dress,



on a hat,



on some sun cream and



plenty of water

Class Letters and Homework

You should have received class letter and homework for the summer term. If you have any questions about the topic or homework then please don't hesitate to ask. Copies can also be found on the school website.

Open Evening and New Parent's Evening

We will be having an Open Evening on Thursday 21st June from 5.30 until 7pm. This is an opportunity for existing and new parents to meet each other, chat to staff and have a wander around the school. Let the children show you what they have been learning about through sharing their books together. Homework will be displayed and celebrated.

A new parent's meeting will take place in Class 1 at 6.00pm.

There will be an opportunity to purchase children's books from the Scholastic Book Fair during this evening.

Bug Hotel Donations Please

To link with our topic of bugs, we are putting together some bug hotels and we are on the lookout for some materials. If you have any old bricks, large stones, roof tiles, old plant pots or bits of old wood (without nails) then please bring them to school after half term so that we can construct them in time for the Open Gardens on Saturday 16th June. Thank you in advance.



Library Update

Susan Staniforth and Jane Lewis continue to work hard, sorting, labelling and adding books on to the library system. Some new tables and chairs have been ordered. A bit more work is needed but we are nearly there!

Exciting News!

Over the summer holiday some refurbishment work is planned for Class 4, the hall and the library. This means the last Fun Club of the academic year will be Thursday 19th July in order for us to make the necessary preparations before the end of term.

Don't forget that staff are happy to arrange to talk to you, should you:

- like an update on your child's progress other than Parent's Evenings
- like more information on how to support your child at home
- like to celebrate your child's achievements in and out of school
- have a worry
- have any questions about your child's education
- need clarification/reminders on information



Dates for your Diary

Friday 25th May – End of term 5

Monday 4th June – Start of term 6

W/C Monday 4th June – Comparison Faith Week – Judaism

Thursday 7th June – Y6 visit to Gloucester Cathedral Leaver's Service – letter sent out

Thursday 14th June – Head Teacher's Surgery, 9.15-10.25am

Friday 15th June – Father's Day art and crafts – 9am-10am

Saturday 16th June – Uley Open Gardens

Wednesday 20th June – Book Fair arrives until 27th June

Thursday 21st June – Open Evening from 5.30pm, including homework share and new parent evening at 6.00pm

Wednesday 4th July – Years 1 and 2 Collective Worship, 9.10am all welcome

Wednesday 11th July – Head Teacher's Surgery, 2-4pm

Tuesday 17th July – Sports Morning from 9.30am – weather permitting

Thursday 19th July – Reserve Sports Morning

Friday 20th July – Y6 Leaver's Presentations, 1.30pm – venue TBC

Tuesday 24th July – Church Service, 2pm

Tuesday 24th July – End of Term 6