# ULEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



28th September 2018

We are now 4 weeks in to the new academic year and we're in full swing. The reception children have settled very well and everybody has adjusted into their new year groups and classes.

Today we say goodbye to Poppy and Monty Cunningham and family, and wish them the very best on their new journey. We thank them for the gift of a new school parachute which will arrive soon – thank you!



### LIVE LEARN FLOURISH

This week we celebrated the achievements of:

Max H for sharing his fantastic ideas with the class.

Freddie E for an excellent attitude to learning and trying his best in all lessons.

Zara for being very helpful to the new reception class, showing them how to use the listening station.

Alexander for his valued contribution to the class poem on mutual respect.

Merryn for her beautiful 2D shape work and playing the shape monsters game independently.

Florrie for trying hard with her English work, trying to use expanded noun phrases correctly.

Dotty for an excellent start with her Year 5 English.

Violet CI for her independent writing about her snail bedroom.

Isla H for her enthusiasm and effort at writing a 'p' sound.

Freddie H for his fantastic Maths work when exploring number lines.

Isla, Freddie, Sara, Dino, Emily & Brady for group creative writing using the story dice.

Francis for his lovely diary entry in RE.

Inaya for writing an excellent diary entry about the creation of the world.

Georgia for making lots of new friends and for settling so well into Class 3.

Poppy H for helping the Year 1's settle in, especially Nellie.

Year 6 for helping all of the children and adults settle into Class 4.

Harley for an excellent start to the year and meeting the new reception children.

Jorja for sharing the iPads with her friends who also wanted a turn.

Charlie for giving up his go on the bars so someone else could have a go.

Archie for sharing a book so patiently with his little brother George during Class 1 and Class 4s shared reading time.

Emily for showing friendship towards her new home table friends.



George H for being an excellent friend by sharing toys and resources.

Austin for encouraging children in the class to participate in gym and for encouraging and supporting his group when creating a sequence of balances.

Lexi-Jai for being kind and caring towards her friend when she couldn't go outside.

Evie D for being an encouraging and supportive friend when working with her peers.

What a long list of fantastic achievements - well done everyone!

## 2018-2019 Team Captains and Vice Team Captains are:

#### Angeston

Captain – Roo Vice-captain – Seth

#### **Rockstowes**

Captain – Huw Vice-captain – Inaya Vice-captain – Shelby





### Dauncey's

Captain – Pearl Vice-captain – Elsie

## Sheppard's

Captain – Isabelle Vice-captain – Malachi

## **Team Captain Role and Responsibilities:**

- Announce team points and add them up.
- Encourage team in sports day.
- Be a good role model.
- Motivate team at events.
- Encourage team members to be the best they can be.
- Make speeches.
- Help everyone who asks for help.
- Put out equipment and be prepared to help.

## 2018-2019 School Council Members

Our school council is made up of children elected by their peers representing each year group. This year our councillors are:



Alexander, Lily N, Georgia R-H, Evan, Poppy H, Dino, Elsa and Merryn.

The purpose of our School Council is pupil voice and to:

listen and support other pupils; be part of school improvement and help to make decisions; be part of the whole school team.

### **Staffing Updates**

Sadly we say goodbye to Mrs Bailey who has been one of our magnificent midday supervisors for the nearly 3 years. We thank her for her commitment and wish her well for the future. We are currently recruiting for a new midday supervisor to start as soon as possible. Please come and speak to a member of staff should you be interested. We are also looking to recruit breakfast club staff. This role would suit an early riser who ideally has a play work/childcare qualifications. Again, please come and speak to a member of staff.

We are currently in the process of recruiting a teacher to cover Class 1 whilst Mrs Grace takes her maternity leave. We will keep you posted.

## Meet the Sheep

Look! Our sheep have been created and are ready to go on display! Don't forget to visit the Tyndale Arts Week on 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October.









Class 4 Salvador 'baa'li

Class 3 PopArt

Class 2 Van Gogh

Class 1 Mondrian

## John Dougherty

What a fantastic day spent with the entertaining and motivating John Dougherty. The children and staff were treated to a day of which ignited the love of reading which finished off with the opening of the library and book signing. Thank you again to FUS for supporting the cost of this event.

# **Harvest Service**

The Uley School Harvest Service is in the church on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 9.30pm, to which you are warmly welcome. Please invite a member of the community who you know would like to join in our harvest celebrations. We will be collecting for the Stroud Food Bank

The food bank shopping list includes:

Tinned vegetables
Biscuits
Instant coffee
Tinned meat
Dried pasta
Tinned spaghetti
Tinned fruit
Tinned fish
Custard
But NO BEANS please!



Please bring your donations of goods to school by 3.15pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

After the harvest service there will be drinks and cakes available in the church, all proceeds will go to the Food Bank.

The Food Bank is looking for a mascot and has asked children locally to get involved. Attached to the email and on our website is an entry form for the children to have a go at designing a mascot. Please read the entry form for more details.

#### Clubs

Clubs started this week. If you need to refer to dates for clubs, the clubs letter can be found on the website.

**Gardening club** will run for three sessions Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October for those who have signed up.

**Football** – Mr Nash and Miss Walker will be running three football training sessions for Years 4, 5 and 6. On Monday 15th October, Monday 29th October and Monday 5th November after school until 4.15pm in preparation for the football tournament on Wednesday 7th November. To sign up please let us know via the school office or speak to Miss Walker.



## **Enrichment Groups**

Last year we set up enrichment groups for children and we are very fortunate to have Mrs Pugh to run these weekly sessions which will continue again this term.

We aim to start our enrichment groups next week (Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October). Mrs. Pugh and Mrs. Mandeville (SENDco) work with the class staff, to recognise children who may benefit from some time during an afternoon, once a week, out of the classroom, to engage in activities that support the children to meet the social and intellectual demands of school life, improving their self-confidence and self-esteem.

The aims of our enrichment group are:

- To develop children's self- esteem
- To develop children's social skills
- To provide a calm environment
- To build relationships between adults and children
- To help the children grow in confidence, trust and reliability
- To provide a secure environment where children learn
- To provide the children with nurturing care from caring adults
- To help children learn the consequences of certain behaviours
- To work in partnership with parents and school staff to ensure consistent approach

This, of course, will be working in conjunction with you, as parents. Parents will be fully involved along the way. If we think a child would benefit from engaging in these valuable sessions then we will be in touch.



**Dates for you diary** – please also check the school website. Any questions about events, dates or times, please do not hesitate to come and ask. Don't forget to check book bags for letters or information.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Head Teacher's Surgery, 2.30-4pm.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Cross Country event KLB, 9.15am.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Head Teacher's Surgery, 9.15-10.25am.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Parent's Evening, 3.40-5.40pm – letter to follow.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Service, 9.30am in the church—all welcome.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – End of term 1.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – Term 2 begins.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Bikeability – letter to follow.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Parents' Evening, 5-7pm – letter to follow.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Cross Country Event, KLB, 9.15am.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Anti-bullying week – more information to follow.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Cheese! School Photographer.