

ULEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



5th December 2018

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George Class 2 for his 'Firework Poem' using different word types.

Esme for her fantastic non-chronological report about a chimpanzee.

Leonard for being such a keen reader and asking to read every day.

Evie Class 4 for successfully creating an image in the readers' mind.

Hugo for his energy for and love of reading.

Fergus for having a positive attitude towards his work and trying hard to answer more questions in class.

Elsie for her outstanding progress in arithmetic.

Evan for trying hard to improve his letter to Class 4 explaining how to help the orangutans.

Arthur for putting in lots of effort in all lessons, but especially for his John Daniel facts.

Jorja for excellent listening skills in our listening games.

Levi for being STAR BAKER of the Christmas cakes with his positivity and impeccable manners.

Lily Class 3 for helping children in Maths when they get stuck on a problem.

Zara for being very helpful to the supply teacher.

Ethan for showing friendship and compassion in the class re-enactment of the Christmas truce.

Violet C for helping another child to record a number sentence.

Lydia for being a supportive and helpful talk partner in class.

Imogen for always having a warm smile and friendly hello.

Hattie for supporting her friends with their learning.

Fantastic job everyone!



Not long now...Mrs Grace is blossoming nicely and is planning to finish for her maternity leave on Friday 21st December.

Mrs Jennifer Bingham, who is covering Mrs Grace's maternity, will be spending the day with us in school on Friday 7th December so please come and say hello.

Dates for Christmas Events

Friday 7th December – Uley School Christmas Fair, 6pm-8pm at Uley School

Thursday 13th December – ISingPOP and Infant Nativity 2.15pm and 6pm

Thursday 20th December - Wear Christmas jumpers to school today and bring in £1 for Crisis at Christmas; it's also Christmas lunch party day with a special guest!

Friday 21st December – Uley School Church Service, 1.45pm in the church

Friday 21st December – End of term 2 – NO FUN CLUB



Class 3 Whole Class Brass Lessons

Class 3 have been learning to play brass instruments and would love to show you! Please come along to their performance on Wednesday 12th December at 2.30pm.

Children in Need

School Council's pyjama day raised a fantastic £122.00 for Children in Need. Well done School Council and thank you everyone.

Traditional Free-School Meals

Free School Meals

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

What are the qualifying criteria for Free School Meals?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Please come and speak to a member of staff if you think you may be entitled to Traditional Free School Meals.

Christmas Cakes

Mrs Julie Batchelor, Mrs Rachel Williams and Mrs Jan Saunders have been supporting the Year 6s in making Christmas cakes. Over the next 2 weeks the children will be decorating their cakes! Thank you to Uley Community Stores for supplying a selection of ingredients and the parents for bringing in additional ingredients and resources. We look forward to seeing all the wonderfully decorated Christmas cakes.



ISingPOP and Infant Nativity

SingPOP and Nativity rehearsals begin on Monday. On Thursday 13th December, there will be two concerts in St Giles Church, where you can join us to celebrate the children's achievements and learn more about ISingPOP. The first concert will begin at 2.15pm. The second concert will begin at 6pm, please ensure the children arrive at the church no later than 5.40pm. Each concert will last around 45 minutes and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as can attend. There will be a small fee of £2.50 per ticket, limited to two per family in the first instance with a deadline of Monday 10th December. Please see separate letter.

Updated Policies:

Updated policies include:
Homework Policy
Behaviour Policy
Marking Policy

Policies can be found on the school website, or you can request a copy at the school office.

Head Teacher's Surgery

Head Teacher's Surgery is Friday 7th December, 9.40-10.30am. Please let the office know if you would like to book a slot.

Illness

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell but there are [government guidelines](#) for schools that say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

At the moment we have some coughs and colds and sickness/diarrhoea

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor [cough](#) or [cold](#). But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

Ear infection

If your child has an ear infection and a fever or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their fever goes away.

Fever

If your child has a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes away.

Sore throat

You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a fever, they should stay at home until it goes away.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from school for 2 days after their symptoms have gone.

For more information please visit <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Use of the trim trail (top playground next to field)

We do not wish to prevent children from using the trails out of school hours therefore supervision of the child is the responsibility of the parent or carer before and after school. For health and safety reasons please avoid using the trim trail in wet or icy conditions.

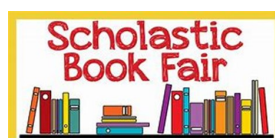


Don't forget to return your library books on Thursday 6th December

Susan Staniforth (Uley School Governor) is in school on Thursday 6th December to scan in all the borrowed library books. A regular slot for borrowing books will continue after Christmas, we'll keep you posted.

Scholastic Book Fair

The book fair will be in school from 6th December to the 1st December just in time to purchase those essential Christmas gifts and stocking fillers. Come along from 3.15pm until 4pm on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th, and again, on Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th. The more books that are sold, the more books the school receives. Books will also be on sale at the Christmas Fair on Friday 7th December.



School Closures

In the event that the school has to close, such as snow, the procedures are:

- You will receive a text message
- A message will be posted on the Gloucestershire County Council website so please check: <http://www3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools/>
- A message will be posted on the school website



Diary Dates

Thursday 6th December – Book Fair arrives.

Thursday 6th December – Library books return date.

Friday 7th December – Head Teacher's surgery, 9.40-10.30am.

Friday 7^h December – School Christmas Fair, 6-8pm. Fun Club closing at 5pm

Wednesday 12th December – Class 3 brass performance, 2.30pm.

Thursday 13th December – iSingPOP concerts and nativity, 2.15pm and 6pm. Fun Club closing at 5pm.

Thursday 20th December – Children's Christmas Lunch and Parties. Fun Club closing at 5pm.

Friday 21st December – Carol Service in the church, 1.45pm. No Fun Club after school.

Monday 7th January – Term 3 starts.