



LIVE LEARN FLOURISH



ULEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 18th December 2024

It is the end of a very busy and productive autumn term, and this year we finish with Christmas just around the corner – I hope you are all prepared!

I would like to say a huge end of term thank you to all off our amazing children and to the staff for their hard work throughout this term. Also, for the support we receive from parents, carers and the community to ensure our children live, learn and flourish. A sincere thank you to all who participate in the life of Uley School, no matter how small or big, it is much appreciated.

Last Thursday was a very special day. We were visited by lots of animals, Innkeepers, a star, Wise Men, Shepherds, Angels, Mary, Joseph AND Baby Jesus. The infant nativity was such a delight to see; bringing us such joy and a smile to the faces of many. Well done infants, you were amazing!



I wish you all a fabulous Christmas and look forward to seeing you on Monday 6th January 2025!

LIVE LEARN FLOURISH – be the best you can be

Each week, the children are presented with a Fabulous Flourisher award or an award linked to our focus value, but also any of our school values.

Jesse for his excellent focus on his handwriting.

Jowan for persevering in art – drawing a portrait.

Louis, Xanthi, Martyna, Monty, Jack W and Rex H for fantastic team work in history.

Wilf for brilliant Jack and Jill dancing.

Oliver G for trying really hard in phonics.

Tilly for a fantastic Cinquain poem.

Lowri for excellent writing and pride in her work.

Maizie for her determination in listening and understanding of addition and subtraction methods.

Evie for supporting her peers with their learning.

Henry for his excellent knowledge of capital cities.

Sophie for her use of different methods in maths.

All of the infants for such a fabulous Nativity.

Oliver (Class 4) for excellent attention to detail in his taotie design.

Misty for showing such courage at the swimming pool.

Abigail for her excellent work effort at all times – showing thankfulness for learning opportunities.
Joe for showing unbelievable kindness!
Ivy for her positive attitude towards the new CHIP members.
Rowan for being a positive role model all of the time.
David for demonstrating good values.
Merryn, Ellie, Sophia and Tess for showing excellent respectful teamwork.
Charlie – Mrs Delrosa and Mrs Brazier are very thankful for such good behaviour all of the time.
Olivia for her kind, quiet and thoughtful attitude.
Rose for her great attitude to learning.
Alila for her fantastic attitude to learning her lines for the nativity.
Tess and William for excellent team work, collaboration and respect in their PE sequence.
Martha for always keeping her good learning behaviours.
Jackson for his mature attitude to performing and listening well.
Arthur for making us smile every day.
Henry for often taking responsibility around the classroom – FRUIT BINS!
Rex S for being kind to others and showing empathy and forgiveness.

Well done everyone – keep being the best you can be!

They are like trees that grow beside a stream that bear fruit at the right time and whose leaves do not dry up. They succeed in all they do. Psalm 1:3

It's Christmas!

Christmas Cards

The children are welcome to bring Christmas cards to school to share with their friends. There is a post box in school next to the Christmas tree. The last day to bring Christmas cards to school is the morning of **Thursday 19th December**.

TODAY! Wednesday 18th December – Christmas lunch and parties

The children will be having their Christmas lunch followed by parties and a special visitors. Children can wear a Christmassy jumper along with school uniform.

Friday 20th December – 1.30pm

End of term Carol Service in St Giles Church, 1.30pm all welcome. Following the service, we will return the children safely to school where they may be collected.

School Closures

Making the decision to close a school is quite a challenge as there are so many factors to consider. In the event of a closure, the decision will be as early as possible, this could be early in the morning to allow for additional information such as monitoring of the area, updated weather forecasts and information from the Local Authority.

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://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools/>
 - A message will be posted on the school website
- The Remote Learning Policy can be found on the school website.

Safeguarding Children in School and Outside School Hours

Safeguarding children is everybody's responsibility.

Mrs Zoe Mandeville, Miss Laura Davies and Miss Abby Spain are Uley's Designated Safeguarding Leads and are always available to meet should you have any child welfare concerns.

Out of school hours contact numbers:

If you are worried or concerned about anyone under 18 who you think is being abused or neglected, or that a child and their family may need help and support, please contact the Gloucestershire Children and Families Front Door which is open from 9am to 5pm:

Telephone: 01452 426565

Email: childrenshelpdesk@gloucestershire.gov.uk

If you have concerns about the immediate safety of a child including anti-social behaviour, or you believe a serious criminal offence has been committed, please contact the Police at any time on the non-emergency number 101. Reports can also be made online [Contact us | Police.uk](#). Any reports can be made anonymously.

In an emergency, always dial 999.

Traditional 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 might 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. This is still applicable even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and are entitled to Universal Free School meals.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Jumper / Christmas Lunches and Party day!

Friday 20th December – Uley School Christmas Service at St Giles, 1.30pm – all welcome.

Monday 6th January 2025!! – Term 3 begins