



USL Primary News **Term 1 School Newsletter 4 : 9th October 2017**

SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Class worships:
Y1GT – (Tomorrow) Tuesday 10th October at 9.55am
Y2A – Tuesday 17th October at 9.55am

End of Term One
The end of Term One is on Thursday 19th October at the end of the school day. Term Two starts on Monday 30th October.

SPORTS NEWS

Football News
 The team played their first league game of the season against Abbeymead at home. An excellent set piece from Will saw the team go into a deserved 1-0 lead. Just before half time a mix-up in defence meant that Abbeymead equalised and the teams went in all square. In the second half Upton continued their dominance and scored two more goals to give Captain Will his hat-trick. With a number of second half substitutions, Abbeymead were able to score a late consolation, meaning the match finished 3-2 to us. The next match for the team is next Thursday at home to Calton Primary School. Well done to all of the boys who played.

OPEN THE BOOK

Thank you to our Open the Book Team, who told the story 'Joseph the Dreamer' in Friday's worship.

NOTICES & REMINDERS

Menu This Week
 Week 3 of the menu

- Letters Home last week**
- Year 2 Lego Club letter
 - Year 2 Trip to Goodrich Castle
 - Personal, Social and Health Education Information
 - Safeguarding Pupils – Walking to and from School Alone

Harvest Festivals


 Thank you to all the KS2 parents who came to the Harvest Festival this morning. We look forward to the next Harvest Festival on Thursday for the Year 1 and Year 2 children.

School Holiday Club

Mrs Morris is looking into the feasibility of running School Holiday Clubs here at Upton St Leonards, for our pupils. The first stage is to gather expressions of interest from our families, please would you take a few minutes to complete the survey by following this link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QS32DPJ>

We are in very early stages at the moment but the general idea would be that Mrs Lock, our fabulous Before and After School Club leader would oversee the club and offer various activities on set days. Activities would include Forest School sessions, arts and crafts, baking, indoor and outdoor play sports, we would also hope to get in a few guests too. Please email Mrs Morris any suggestions to finance@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk

Congratulations


 We would like to share the news of our latest Environmental Health visit; Stroud District Council visited our kitchen on Wednesday during our busy lunch time service. We are thrilled to say that we have retained our excellent Food Hygiene Level rating of 5.

The inspector commented on the excellent practices of Chef Kirby and her wonderful Catering Team, the cleanliness and the very well organised procedures within the kitchen. **Well Done!!**

Head Teachers Welcome

We are holding a 'Headteacher's Welcome Meeting' for parents on Thursday 12th October at 5:00 to 5:45pm in the school hall which will provide an opportunity for Mr Allen to gain a wider knowledge of the parent community and to continue building a successful partnership between parents and school. There will be a short presentation followed by refreshments and the opportunity to ask any questions you may have, please do join us.

Reception Curriculum Information Evening

Following the Head Teachers Welcome meeting this Thursday, 12th October, the Reception Curriculum Evening takes places at 6pm in the hall. During the Curriculum meeting, we will outline some of the learning the children will be covering this year and there will be a chance to have another look at the classrooms. This is an informal evening for parents and carers, and it is not really appropriate for children.

Open Days

We are holding our Open mornings for new parents with children starting Reception in September 2018 on Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th November. If you know anyone you think may be interested in attending please let them know.

Staff News

We are delighted to report that we have appointed additional Midday Supervisors to care for your children at lunch times, we would like to welcome Mrs Jack, Mrs Eckford and Mrs Roberts to our fabulous team of support staff. They have already made a significant difference and come at a valuable time for us as we make slight changes to the lunchtimes.

School Meals

We would be very grateful if parents could discuss the menu options with their children at home as some younger children seem a little unsure of the options. Chef Kirby is monitoring the meals daily and has decided to change a couple of days from half term, this will be discussed with the newly elected School Council.

What's Coming Up in Upton?

UPTON ST LEONARDS GNOME HUNT THIS SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER 2017

Attention! They're back & on the loose! Can you find them?
Starting and Finishing at the Village Hall (Pushchair friendly). Clue maps will be issued between 1.30pm & 3.30pm; maps cost £4. There will also be refreshments in the hall from 1.30pm to 5.30pm. See you there!
All funds will be split between Cheltenham & Gloucester Hospital Charity FOCUS (Funds for Oncology Centre Users & Supporters) and St Leonards Church.

Open Classrooms

Many thanks to all of our parents and carers who attended our first Open Classroom event last Monday. The feedback was very positive and it is certainly something we will be again in the future, it's a wonderful opportunity for the children to show off their classrooms and their current topic work.

Violin Success

Congratulations to Aubrey on achieving his Gold Award in violin last week.



Inviting Parents to School Lunch

Last term we invited our Year 2 parents and carers to join their Year 2 children for school lunch, this was the first in a new initiative which we trailed, the lunch was such a success that we would like to continue to do it this year with different year groups. The children really enjoy this kind of experience, it's great for their social development and it gives us, as a school, a fabulous opportunity to showcase our wonderful kitchen and delicious school meals. Please keep a careful eye on letters coming home in the couple of weeks as we hope to offer another year group this opportunity very soon.

Lego Club

Mr Allen (Y2) will be running a Lego club this year and is looking for some more Lego. If you have any spare bricks you would like to donate to the school please could you let the office know or speak to Mr Allen directly. Thank you.