



USL Primary News

Term 4 School Newsletter 23: 1st April 2019

<p>SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</p> <p>End of Spring Term School finishes on Friday for the Easter holidays. The new term starts on Tuesday 23rd April.</p>
<p>SPORTS NEWS</p> <p>Quadkids Athletics Wednesday 27th March @ Blackbridge Athletics Track 10 Year 4 and 10 Year 2 children competed in a Quadkids Athletics competition at Blackbridge Athletics Track. They all competed in the sprint, standing long jump, vortex howler throw and the 300m or 400m endurance run. The Year 2 team performed fantastically as a team to finish 1st of the 17 teams present! Our highest point scorer was Jack with 192. A colossal score of 80 came for his 65 second 300m effort. Our highest ranked Year 2 was Emmi, who came 5th out of the Year 2 girls, claiming a silver award. For the Year 4 team, Beau was by far the highest scorer with 194 to claim individual 3rd in the competition. The most points came from a superb 77 second 400m run. Jahmira was the top scoring girl in 6th with her highest points score coming from a 8.2 second 50m run. This team came 5th on the day out of 18 teams. Well done to all the children involved.</p>
<p>OPEN THE BOOK</p> <p>Thank you to our Open the Book Team, who told "The Lost Coin" in whole school worship on Thursday.</p>
<p>NOTICES & REMINDERS</p> <p>Menu this week Week 3 of the menu Our New Menu The menu after the Easter holidays will start on Week 1.</p> <p>Sports Kit Could all school sports kit please be returned to school by Friday</p>

Parents Consultation Evenings



Thank you to everyone who came to the Parent Consultation Evenings last week. For those who booked to see Mrs Wood on Tuesday last week, your times are the same as you booked but will now be tomorrow, Tuesday 2nd April.

Easter Services

Thank you for taking your Y6S/Y5J/Y4M/Y3H children to the church this morning. The next Easter services will be held as follows:-
Tomorrow, **Tuesday 2nd April**, 2pm at school – Reception/Years 1 & 2.
Wednesday 3rd April, 9am at church – Y6L/Y5WY/Y4P/Y3T.

End of Term Cooked Breakfast Treat

This Friday the 5th April, Mrs Byrne will be taking over the kitchen to serve up a cooked breakfast at Upton Earlyes. The breakfast will be served from 7.45am – 8.10am and parents are invited to tuck in too at a cost of £1.50 each. Payment should be made in advance via parent pay to secure your breakfast. Children attending the breakfast club will be charged the usual rate.
Mr Eley, our Chair of Governors loves to wear his chef's hat on these occasions too!



Reception Assembly

The Reception children all enjoyed taking part in their year group assembly on Tuesday. The children confidently shared their learning from their topic of 'Once upon a time'. They performed the songs they have been learning with great enthusiasm and did a brilliant job of retelling the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' using storytelling actions. Many thanks to all of the parents and family members that attended.

Book Sale

We will be having a fiction book sale for parents and carers at the front of school on Friday 5th April at the end of the school day.

New Menu – New Ideas

You are invited to come along to the school hall on Friday 3rd May at 3.30pm to taste our new and most popular dishes on our menu. Chef Kirby will be providing taster portions for children and their families of our new VEGAN dishes; Cauliflower Tortillas, Pasta with nut free Pesto, Potato and Spinach Curry, Mixed Bean Curry and some of the children's current favourites; Beef Lasagne and Macaroni and Bacon Cheese. I'm sure there will be a few homemade puddings to taste too!
Thank you to all parents and carers for their very positive comments on our vegan offerings. It's always great to receive feedback.

Request for Art Materials

We would love any ribbons and tissue paper to decorate Easter Bonnets at the holiday club, please bring any donations to the school office.

5th April, particularly the football kit as the season has now finished. Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY

LOST PROPERTY - there will be a display of unnamed items outside school after school on Friday 5th April. Any items not claimed will be recycled. Please remember to label all your children's clothes, snack boxes, water bottles, etc. as we can then return them to their owner.

You can buy good sticky labels from <https://www.stikins.co.uk/> and raise money for the school at the same time by quoting our school code which is 24248. Thank you.

Eco School

We are doing our very best to be as Eco friendly as we can here at Upton St Leonards and are very grateful for the support of our families. We want to empower pupils to lead change within our school and have a positive impact in the wider community, by working together to develop their knowledge and environmental awareness. Research into the Eco-Schools programme in England found evidence of the positive impacts on pupils, including increased confidence, development of leadership skills, improved pupil well-being and behaviour and greater motivation at school.

Eco Bricks

We have had a fantastic response from our families, bringing in their Eco Bricks, what we need now is some help to fill them to the correct weight ready for storage whilst we design our first build. We really need volunteers to help us get these bricks stuffed. Please contact Mrs Byrne via email finance@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk if you are able to help.

BBC Radio Gloucestershire

Mrs Byrne has been in touch with BBC Radio Gloucestershire about our new initiatives here at Upton and they are hoping to visit us very soon to learn more about what we are doing through our drive to become an Eco School, our Vegan menu options and our Mother Day Gift of free child care, allowing mums to book an appointment for a Cervical Screening Test. We have invited them to our food tasting event on FRIDAY 3rd May at 3.30pm to chat about our decision to offer a vegan choice. They are also very interested to hear from mums about our Cervical Screening Test free child care offer. Mrs Byrne would like to hear from any mum taking up our offer of the free child care to go for a test as BBC Radio Gloucestershire would like to use your stories. If you are interested in sharing your story of why this test is important to you please contact Mrs Byrne via the school office or by email finance@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk.

A Child's Plea

Grace from Y2B and her friends would really like some more dolls to play with at Upton Lates, they have appealed to Mrs Byrne to ask our families for donations (Mrs Byrne couldn't resist their pleas!).

KS2 Choir

KS2 choir is back!

Choir club will be starting again every Thursday with Mrs Ward after the Easter holidays from 3.20-4.15pm. We have registered for Young Voices 2020 so watch this space for the new song list.

Easter Egg Hunt



There is an Easter Egg hunt this Saturday 6th April from 1pm – 3pm – starting and finishing at Upton St Leonards Primary School. Entries cost £3 per child and all entries win a prize. Refreshments will be available in the school hall.



Easter Holiday Clubs

Don't forget that our Easter holiday club will run on Monday 8th through to Thursday 11th April 2019. Booking forms are still available from the office. This is your last opportunity to book a place for your child.

Attendance



This week's class with the highest attendance were Y1GT and Y4M and they will be entered into the termly draw for prizes! Well done!



Tip of the Week

Eco tip of the week

Pack a Waste-Free Lunch

A waste-free lunch means that you have no rubbish to throw away when you're done (just compostables such as apple cores, banana and orange peels). The best way to reduce rubbish is to not create it. If your child brings a packed lunch to school there are ways that you can try to improve the sustainability of what is packed. One easy way is to ensure all your containers are reusable such as reusable lunch boxes, reusable sandwich/snack bags. Every day, thousands and thousands of sandwich bags from school lunches are thrown away. **Better still, why not encourage your children to have a cooked school meal!**

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Easter