



USL Primary News

Term 6 School Newsletter 35: 24th July 2018

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School finishes for the Summer holidays today Tuesday, 24th July, at the end of the day. School starts back for pupils in Years 1 to 6 on Tuesday, 4th September.

HOUSE POINT BADGES

Well done to the following children, who have been awarded their house point badges: **Ash** – Sophie W (1000), Madison (1000), Tyler (500). **Elm** – Holly M (1000). **Oak** – Ella P (1000), Rosa (1000), Freddie S (1000).

NOTICES & REMINDERS

Menu after the holidays

Week 1 of the menu

House Point Totals

Well done to everyone! The total numbers of House Points awarded this year are:

- 1st Ash – 77,697
- 2nd Beech – 77,330
- 3rd Oak – 72,150
- 4th Elm – 72,087

Pupils in Ash can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 7th September as a reward for their winning EPrise Housepoint Score!

*Goodbye Year 6! Good Luck...
And Make a Difference!*



Year 6

Our Year 6 children have had a wonderful last couple of weeks. The week before last, they performed 'Rock Bottom', which was a brilliant production involving great acting and singing. Congratulations to everyone who took part, and many thanks to the staff team who worked so hard to make the play such a success.

Last night, the Year 6 and Year 5 children enjoyed an evening at Hatton Court for the Leavers' Disco. They had a lovely time, and their behaviour was excellent – just as we expected. Thank you to the PTA for organising this, and to the members of staff who went along to help.

This afternoon, they took part in the Leavers' Assembly, sharing memories of their time at Upton and looking at some photos taken when they were in Reception. They were presented with dictionaries by the PTA and school pens.

The winners of the Tandy Trophies are Safia, Will K and Rio. This is an award given for being a good sportsperson – not only showing skill but, more importantly, displaying generosity and fairness in victory and defeat.

Our Year 6 children are off to the following secondary schools and we wish them every success and happiness.

Barnwood Park Arts – 4, Chosen Hill School – 8, Churchdown Academy – 10, Henley Bank High – 15, High School for Girls – 1, King's School Gloucester – 3, Marling School – 3, Newent Community School – 2, Ribston Hall – 2, St Peters High School – 4, The Crypt School - 5. We look forward to hearing about their future achievements, so keep in touch and come back to visit us!

Sports Week

16th - 20th July saw the children take part in the school's second sports week. The whole school got an opportunity to climb on the Interactive Digiwall and play a range of team based games. The favourite was 'put out all' where children were trying to put out all of the lights that turned on as quickly as they could. On Tuesday we were blessed with great weather for another successful Sports Day. Congratulations to all of those children won a medal in their races and to Elm for their overall victory. On Wednesday Simone came in to teach the juniors how to kick box. They were very good! And on Thursday the juniors were all involved in either benchball, cricket or dodgeball as part of the house matches. A very close morning saw Beech as the victors. Well done to all of the children who took part.

End of Year Message from Neil Eley, Chair of Governors

An exciting year for the school with Mr Allen joining the school in September. I was also new to the post of Chair of Governors. The Head and the governors were very clear on the priorities for the school. You will have seen the introduction of EPrise and I have seen how well students have embraced this. Another priority has been a renewed focus on Writing and I have seen, on my many visits to school, how well this has been introduced. The school has been visited by Local Authority advisors who have been full of praise for the job being done by the staff.

I was lucky enough to be asked to help with Sports day and this reminded me of how well the school and the children have done in so many areas; sporting success; chess; singing; the Y6 musical; concerts; farmers' markets; breakfast, after school and holiday clubs; circus; the list goes on and on and on.

I would like to thank the children for helping me (or "Not Santa" as I am known in some of the KS1 classes) to have a wonderful and totally enjoyable first year as Chair. I am so proud to be involved with this top notch school.

I wish all of you a lovely time on your Summer holidays, be safe and I look forward to seeing you in September.

Neil Eley

Summer Holiday Club - Update

Mrs Byrne is happy to take more bookings over the next couple of weeks, this can be done via email to:

finance@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk



There is lots going on; during the first week Ritchie Ball will be running handball, football and rounder's sessions and Mrs Gardiner will be running an art workshop each morning. Of course Mrs Lock will be encouraging children to take part in Forest Schools and Miss Crocker will be teaching children the art of Cheerleading.

During the second week there will be themed days .. We have the sand on order for Beach Day and the treasure hunt is ready for Pirate Day, the Alpaca's will be here on the 15th for the morning and Miss McCrudden is busy practicing her dance moves for her two sessions, in fact there's so much going on, we think it going to be fantastic!!

Cake Sake

Thank you to everyone who supported the cake, Pokemon and bookmark sale organised by Alex, Tom, Harry and Thomas in Year 5. They raised a fantastic £84.94 in aid of Cancer Research.

Music Success

Congratulations to Aubrey on passing his Violin Grade 1 exam recently.

Little Princess Trust

Well done to Maddy D on donating some of her hair to the Little Princess Trust.

Attendance



Last week's classes with the highest attendance were Y1B, Y2A and Y6S. Well done!

The end of term highest attendance draw took place yesterday, the winners for the Summer term were **Y1B**, they collected their prizes, chosen by Mrs Childs our Attendance Officer. The children were presented with an Upton St Leonards pencil case, a pencil and a ruler!

Well done!

Thank you

Thank you to all children, parents and staff – it has been a busy year! Have a lovely summer holiday!