



USL Primary News **Term 6 School Newsletter 33: 9th July 2018**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
9 th July – 3.25pm Y2 Transition meeting
12 th July – Year 6 production at 2pm and 6pm
13 th July – Year 5 Farmers Market
17 th July – Sports Day
24 th July – end of term
SPORTS NEWS
Jujitsu Well done to Charlie and Sydney for gaining medals in jujitsu recently.
HOUSE POINT BADGES Well done to the following children, who have been awarded their 500 house point badges: Ash: Chloe H, Charlotte J. Elm – Kitty. Oak: Rylan.
OPEN THE BOOK Thank you to our Open the Book Team, who told “Praying for Peter” in whole school worship on Friday.
NOTICES & REMINDERS
Menu this week Week 3 of the menu
PGL 2019 Just a reminder that the second instalment of £90 is due next Monday, 16 th July.
Library Books If you have any school library books at home please can they be brought into school. Many thanks.
LOCAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
USL Annual Flower Show We have entry forms in the office if your child would like to enter the USL Flower Show which takes place on Saturday, 8 th September.


CIRCUS

A big THANK YOU to everyone who attended the circus last Friday. Mrs Byrne was overwhelmed by all the positive comments. The event was a huge success and it was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the different things on offer. Thank you for all of the offers of help before, during and after the main event and for the very tasty homemade cakes supplied too – they went down a treat.

Well done to Ruby in Y4WY for winning the front cover design competition for the circus programme and Lily in Y3T for winning the clown face competition.


Summer Holiday Club - Update


We have some updates to our program for our Holiday Club in August.



Week 1 ART CLUB will be '**Fantastic Beasts**' themed. We will be inspired to design and create magical, out of this world, beasts and enchanted instruments by sculpting, sliming, cutting, sticking and painting!

Beware parents: check back packs with care on the return home.... You never know what critters might be unleashed!





Reception Learning Journeys

Parents are invited to come into the Reception classes this Wednesday 11th July at 2.50pm to have a look at the children’s learning journeys.

Year 4 USA day

Year 4 celebrated Independence Day last Wednesday. As part of our celebrations we were visited by a Harley Davidson motorbike and its rider Tim Richards. We found out lots about route 66. We also tried our hand at line dancing and made harmonicas with the help of Mrs Gardener. They also enjoyed a USA themed lunch. The children looked great in their USA themed fancy dress and thanks to all the parents that supported us by sending some wonderful cakes!




Move Up Morning

On Thursday the children were given the opportunity to meet their new teacher and familiarise themselves with their new classroom environment. The morning was a great success. Many of the children in Year 6 visited their new schools and returned to school full of excitement.

Transition Meetings

Thank you to the Reception parents for coming to the transition to Year 1 meeting on Thursday. Year 2 parents are invited to attend the Year 2 to Year 3 transition meeting (KS1 to KS2) in school hall today after school at 3.25pm.

Year 2 Performance

On Tuesday Year 2 performed their 'Bee Musical' play to the school in the morning, and to family members in the afternoon. There was some wonderful singing and acting, with every child having lines to practise and speak. The songs were all sung beautifully, and the children have made much progress with projecting their voices for an audience. Well done to all of the children for their hard work, and thank you to parents for their support with the costumes.

Summer Concert

Thank you to all of the children who performed at the Summer Music Concert. We were lucky enough to have a variety of musicians including violinists, guitarists, pianists and both the Year 2 and KS2 choirs. All of the children have practised exceptionally hard over the last year and we are extremely proud of their achievements; not to mention singing and playing to a large audience. A huge well done to everyone who took part. Special thanks to the PTA for supporting and to Mrs Ward for organising the event.



Mathletics

Well done to Emmi on achieving a Gold Athletics award.

Year 5 Mini Farmers Market

Friday 13th July 2.00pm – 4.00pm in the School Hall



Year 5 are holding a Mini Farmers Market this Friday and you are welcome to come in and buy cakes, plants, crafts, artisan bread from Hobbs House Bakery, jams and pickles from Kitchen Garden and fruit and vegetables from Sainsbury's and Asda. There will also be lots of interactive, fun stalls set up by the children, with a chance of winning prizes. Any donations of bottles or cakes for our stalls would be most welcome.

Reports

Your child's end of year report will be sent out to you on Friday, 13th July.

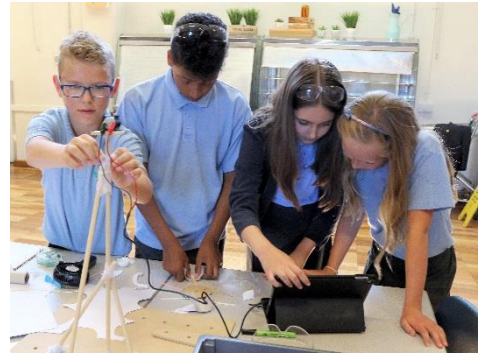
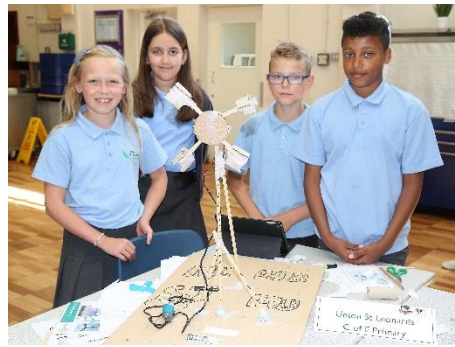
Fizz Pop Bang!

A group of scientific students from Year 4 have represented the school at the Gloucester Schools Partnership Science Festival at Denmark Rd School. The theme of the festival was Fizz, Pop Bang and the children took part in lots of experiments around this theme, including making Alker Seltzer rockets, bath bombs, gloop and lots of other exciting experiments. It was a really enjoyable day and the children represented the school very well.



Science and Engineering Challenge

On Saturday 30th June, four Year 6 children attended a Science and Engineering Challenge competition at The King's School. It was an exciting morning and the Upton team were very impressive, demonstrating a great deal of creativity and skill. The judges remarked on the high level of collaboration and communication amongst our pupils and the team showed innovative thinking and team spirit throughout the morning. Well done to Mina, Harry, Sunnie and Natalie.



Year 1 Tea Party

On Friday the 28th June, Year One had a cream tea party. The children enjoyed making scones on the Friday morning for their visitors. Parents and grandparents joined the children in the hall and everyone had a lovely time. There was a cake and plant sale after school. Earlier in the same week the children had enjoyed making and decorating cupcakes. Many thanks for all the parental support for this event. The children raised £220 for the year group.



Attendance

Last week's class with the highest attendance was Y1B and they will be entered into the termly draw for prizes. Well done!



Barn Dance at Portway Farm, 14th July, 7.00pm

A Barn Dance is being held at Portway Farm on Saturday 14th July at 7.00pm to raise funds for building repairs to the church building. There will be live music, bar, bbq and a hog roast. Tickets are £10 each and children under 16 are free. Tickets are available from Portway Farm Shop, St Leonard's Church and from the school office. For more details see the attached poster or visit the Portway Farm Shop Facebook page.

Sportika

Your child should have brought either a colouring competition or logo design home today. It is just £2 to enter and this money will go directly to kids your age in less developed countries, to help them enjoy sport! Please bring your entry to the School Office - the closing date is Monday 16th July.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the book fair on Friday.

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