



## USL Primary News

Term 6 School Newsletter 31: 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019


### SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**27<sup>th</sup> June** – 6.00pm Summer Music Concert  
**2<sup>nd</sup> July** – 3.25pm Y2 to Y3 Transition meeting  
**3<sup>rd</sup> July** – 2.00pm and 6.00pm Y2 Performance  
**4<sup>th</sup> July** – ‘Move Up’ morning for children  
**4<sup>th</sup> July** – 3.30pm YR to Y1 Transition meeting  
**9<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports Day  
**12<sup>th</sup> July** – Reserve Sports Day  
**16<sup>th</sup> July** – 6.00pm Y6 Performance  
**17<sup>th</sup> July** – 6.00pm Y6 Performance  
**19<sup>th</sup> July** – 2.30pm Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly  
**19<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of term – break up for Summer

### SPORTS DAY

#### Tag Rugby Friendly Report

#### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at Harewood



On Tuesday, we played in a friendly tag rugby fixture at Harewood Junior School. Despite the wet conditions, we played well with some good passing and tagging. First half tries came from Josh (3) and Caden (2). In the second half we experimented with some different positions and got more tries from Josh, Caden, Gemma and Jolie. The final score was 10 -7 to us. Well done to Josh B (c), Caden, Alfie, Jolie, Rosie, Gemma, Jahmira and Luke.

#### Large Schools Swimming Gala at GL1 – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June

On Monday, 19 Year 5s and 6s represented our school at the Large Schools Swimming Gala at GL1. Both year groups had two boys and girls competing in freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke as well as a relay team of 4. We were blessed with

### Staffing News

We are very sad to report that three longstanding members of staff - Mrs Cooper, Mrs Nelson and Mrs Crabbe - will all be retiring at the end of the Summer Term. Mrs Cooper leaves after 19 years mainly teaching in the Reception Class, Mrs Nelson leaves after 21 years teaching across a range of classes in school and teaching assistant Mrs Crabbe leaves after 13 years. We thank them for all their support and hard work over the years. We will miss you!

### Transition Meetings

We are holding Transition Meetings for parents of children moving to a different Key Stage:

**Year 2 Parents** are invited to attend the Year 2 to Year 3 transition meeting (KS1 to KS2) in the school hall on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 3.25pm**.

The meeting for **Reception Parents** (EYFS to KS1) will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm**.

These meetings will provide an opportunity for you to meet the teachers, visit the classrooms with your children and ask any questions you may have.

### Book Fair

We will be hosting a Book Fair from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> July. The Fair will be in the School Hall each day from 3.15pm.

This will be a fantastic opportunity to browse and buy an extensive range of great books, gifts, toys and stationery.

Every book sold will help us fill our library and classrooms with free books for your children so please do come along.



### Beat the Street!

As a school, we are taking a full part in this year's Beat the Street. The idea is that children can go around with siblings and parents, carers or other trusted adults to find the 'Beat Boxes'. These 'Beat Boxes' are attached to lamp-posts all around the centre of Gloucester and are a minimum distance of 500m apart to encourage you to walk, cycle, run and scoot between them as a group. The aim of the game is to earn points and help the school climb the leaderboard whilst getting active.

You can also win prizes for you and the school and discover more about your area.

Each child from Year 2 to Year 6 is being given a card and a 'Beat the Street' Gloucester map. In order to score points for the school, you must first go to the Beat the Street website - <https://beatthestreet.me/gloucester> and register in order to activate your card. You must then link it to our school team, which is 'Upton-St-Leonards'.

Good luck finding those Beat Boxes!

numerous medallists. These included Chloe C (1<sup>st</sup>, freestyle), Freddie S (1<sup>st</sup>, breaststroke), James C (2<sup>nd</sup> breaststroke), Leah M (1<sup>st</sup>, breaststroke) and Alex D (1<sup>st</sup>, backstroke). These string of performances along with the replays and all of the others meant that we came a brilliant joint 2<sup>nd</sup> with Fieldcourt Junior School; only being beaten by Dinglewell Junior School. A huge well done to all of those who took part. We are extremely proud of you all.



### Tag Rugby Semi-Final Report Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June v Tredworth

On Thursday after school, we played our semi-final match against Tredworth. Troy scored a great first try. However, we lost possession a few times and each time Tredworth punished us by scoring. The half time score was 4 – 2 to them. In the second half we really pushed ourselves but Tredworth worked very well as a team and the final score was 8 – 4 to them. This means we will play Harewood in a 3<sup>rd</sup> place play-off. Well done to Troy, Jumari, Lewis C, Lewis V, Joshua, Harry, Thomas E, Logan and Charlie.



### Y5W Class Worship

5W assembly was all about the power of reading. The children shared their favourite books from this year and read work they had written based on 'The Nowhere Emporium'. The children then sang a song all about using parenthesis. Thank you to all the parents and other family members who came to support. Well done to all the Year 5 team for such a terrific performance.

### Year 1 Tea Party

Year 1 held a Tea Party in the hall on Friday afternoon as their Enterprise Project for the year. It was a lovely afternoon, with scones and biscuits made by children. There was a fantastic turnout of 101 family visitors, and a profit made of £131. Thank you to all of you who supported the event, and additional thanks to Chef Kirby for her support, along with the Year 6 waiters and waitresses.



### PTA Film Night



The PTA are holding a Film Night for children in Years 5 and 6 tomorrow Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. The children can come to the school hall straight after school. The film will start at 4pm and will finish at 5.30pm. Entrance to watch Johnny English Strikes Again (PG) is free but hot dogs, chocolate biscuit, popcorn and drinks will be available from the kitchen for £5. Please collect your children from the main entrance at 5.30pm. The children have brought home a slip to indicate if they would like a hot dog – please pay the PTA volunteers in the hall.

### Year 5 Farmers Market

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July in the School Hall



Year 5 are holding a Mini Farmers Market on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. All children will be invited to attend and bring a maximum of £2 to spend. The PTA will also be running some fun and games stalls. The market will be open after school too for parents to buy local produce including homemade jam, bread, etc.

### Hot weather



The forecast for later this week is extremely hot. Therefore, can we remind you to send your child to school with sun hat/glasses and a water bottle. Ideally, a long-lasting, high factor sun cream should be applied at home in the morning or alternatively, sent into school in a named bag if they are able to apply it themselves. We ask that children DO NOT share sun cream due to various allergies some pupils have to specific products.



### Upton Holiday Club

Booking forms are still available for the Summer Holiday Club. The club will run for two weeks from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August through to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August.

#### The club will be open from 8.30am – 5pm

There will be themed days throughout the 2 week as well as our very own Upton Olympics. We will have Richie Ball and his team offering Multi Sports and bringing along inflatables for a fun "It's a Knockout" on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August.

### Attendance



The class with the highest attendance was Y5J and they were entered into the termly draw for prizes! Well done for the excellent attendance!

## Table Tennis Tournament @ USL

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019

We hosted a table tennis tournament at our school. It was a fun morning for us. We placed third and the pupils who participated were Luke, Josh, Troy, Sophie, Alfie, Ellie-Mae, Ella and Vienna. The captains were Luke and Vienna. We won most of our games and were pleased to come away with the bronze medals.



## Abbeymead Rovers Vikings U11



Congratulations to Jay who was part of the Abbeymead Rovers Vikings U11 team that won the recent Abbeymead Rovers Football Tournament and to Lewis F who was part of the Abbeymead Rovers Vikings U11 team that won the recent Bussage Football Tournament. Well done boys!

### Cricket

The cricket team went to Hillview to play our first match. The team played and bowled really well. Player of the match award was given to Brooke for 3 wickets in a row. They had wickets from Josh and Brooke and catches from Jay, Josh and Ben. Well done to Alex, Ben, Brooke, Caden, Jay, Josh, Todd and Rosie.

### Hockey

The Hockey Team went to Plock Court to play the last competition - the A team lost one game and drew one and lost the rest. With good play the A team won the overall competition with goals coming

## Fun Quiz and Race Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to support the school and chess team on Saturday.



### Music Concert

If your child is taking part in the Summer Music Concert this Thursday please ensure your child arrives in school at 5.45pm. The concert starts at 6.00pm – all are welcome to enjoy our talented musicians.

### Violin Lessons

From September I will be starting some new beginners on the violin at school. Lessons are available to children in Years 2 – 6 and are taught either individually or in small groups. Further details are available from the school office.

Instruments can be hired through the Gloucestershire Music Service or through Cotswold Strings in London Road, Cheltenham.

If you would like your child to start violin lessons in September, or would like them to have a free 'taster' session before making a decision, please contact me as soon as possible so that I can arrange it before the end of term.



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### House Point Badges

Well done to the following children, who have been awarded their 1000 house point badges over the last couple of weeks: **Ash** – **Y1GT** – Samuel, Lacey, William, Emmett. **Y1A** – Esme. **Y2W** – Evelyne, Rufus, Sienna. **Y3H** – Jonty, Abigail, Tommy, Adam, Alex, Tegan, Harvey. **Y4M** – Max, Darby. **Y4P** – Jorja. **Y5WY** – Charlie, Charlotte, Madison. **Y6S** – Lacie, Felicity, Troy. **Y6L** – Sophie. **Beech** – **Y1A** – Theo, Leo. **Y1GT** – Bella, Rowan, Seren, Poppy. **Y2B** – Rana. **Y2W** – Sihi, Jacob. **Y3H** – Michal, Izzabella, Jewel, Florence, Radley-Ray. **Y4P** – Charlie, Connor. **Y5WY** – Phoebe, Saskia, Samuel. **Y6S** – Millie, Emily, Ellie-Mae. **Y6L** – Leah, Vienna, Aimee. **Elm** – **Y1A** – William. **Y1GT** – Holly, Olivia, Max, Dolly. **Y2B** – Summer. **Y2W** – Harry. **Y3H** – Sofia, Aleksy, Elizabeth, Ava. **Y4P** – Lily, Cohen. **Y4M** – Kitty. **Y5WY** – Finlay, Darcey. **Y6L** – Lewis, Poppy, Lily, Alexander, Halle. **Y6S** – Benjamin. **Oak** – **Y1A** – Rex, Dolly, Ruby, Teddi. **Y1GT** – Lily, George, Sebastian. **Y2B** – Lily, Finley. **Y2W** – Carmen, Jaden. **Y3H** – Caleb, Hatty, Brooke, Archie. **Y4P** – Amelia, Lainey, Braydon, Asia. **Y4M** – Sienna. **Y5WY** – Liberty, Freddie. **Y6L** – Jasmine, Ella, Thomas. **Y6S** – Daniel, Joshua.



through: Lewis (3), Josh (12), Alex (6), Lauren (1), Tom (1), Lainey (1) and James (1).

Well done to Lewis, Josh, Alex, Lauren, Tom, Lainey, James, Lewis C, Kellan, Maddie, Jolie, Paige and Leo.



#### **OPEN THE BOOK**

Thank you to our Open the Book Team, who told the story 'The Tale of Two Houses' in Thursday's worship.

#### **NOTICES & REMINDERS**

##### **Menu this week**

Week 3 of the new menu

##### **Choir Club**

**There is NO choir club this week after school on Thursday.**