



## USL Primary News

Term 4 School Newsletter 18 : 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018

### SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Class Worship

The next Class Worship is:

**Y5W** – Tomorrow, 27<sup>th</sup> February

**YRC** – Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March

Both are at 9.55am and parents/carers are welcome to attend.

### SPORTS NEWS

#### Boys Football News

#### B Team Football Knock Out Cup Report – Round 2 v Tredworth



Our football B team played the second round game of their cup campaign at home against Tredworth. The first half saw our team camped in the opposition half, but, with relatively few chances at goal, the half time score remained 0-0. The second half saw the team continue to press. Some quicker passing and more shots at goal meant that we soon took the lead through Thomas S. Confidence was high and the goals soon started to flow with Ben, Alfie and another from Thomas following. This made the final score 4-0 and sees the team progress to the semi-finals in two weeks time. Well done to Thomas T, Luke, Tom, Alfie, Josh, Olly, Ben and Thomas S.

#### Girls Football News



On Wednesday last week, the girls football team played Widden, in the ¼ finals. It was an end to end game. We had many shots on target but were unable to hit the back of the net. The second half saw us come back fighting. Widden had a lapse of concentration, which Izzy took advantage of, bringing the score to 1-1. With the last kick of game Gemma scored a well deserved goal. The final score was 2-1 to us. We are now through to the semi-finals. Well done to all involved. The team were:- Safia, Izzy,

### Governors

Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising school standards. Over the next few weeks we are going to introduce our Governors to you via the school newsletter their full details are also available on our school website.

School governors provide strategic leadership and accountability in schools.

The role of the governing board is a strategic one, its key functions are to:

- set the aims and objectives for the school
- set the policies for achieving those aims and objectives
- set the targets for achieving those aims and objectives
- monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making towards achievement of its aims and objectives
- be a source of challenge and support to the Head teacher

### Our Governor of the week this week is Mr Neil Eley



Neil Eley was appointed by the Local Authority and is our Chair of Governors and a member of all governing body committees and a member of the Anti-bullying steering group. Neil has a wealth of experience in education and has already proved to be a real asset to our school. An Ex-Deputy Head teacher and Mathematician Neil lives in the village and has two daughters who both went to Upton St Leonards C of E Primary school.

Neil says; "I am a sports enthusiast, initially as a player and coach.

I taught GCSE Maths and ICT for over 30 years and have an in-depth knowledge of educational data. I want to give something back to community and use my expertise to help support and improve the school."

Neil is often at school events and would be happy to chat with parents and carers about his role as Chair of Governors and the school in general, he also has a Chair@ email address: [chair@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:chair@upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk)

### Anti-Bullying Steering Group – Volunteers Still Needed



At Upton we take bullying very seriously, and as many of you will know, we have already achieved the Bronze Award from the Anti-Bullying Quality Mark. This was only achieved with the invaluable help of a Steering Committee, made up of Staff, Governors and Parents. We are currently working towards our Silver Award and would therefore like to expand our Steering Group further. We are aiming to meet at least once every half term, after school. These meetings will include discussing our action plan and giving parents and children the opportunity to help practically in achieving the award. If anyone is interested in joining us in this exciting venture please see Mr Jones or Mrs Nelson for further details, or leave a message for them in the office.

### Lost Property



We have a large amount of unnamed lost property in school including 5 winter coats. We would really like to re-unite these items with their owners. Please check with your child if they have lost anything and have a look in the lost property dustbin, as we will dispose of any remaining items by the end of the week. Thank you.

Jeneice, Molly, Jaime, Kamea, Gemma and Keira.

### Swimming news

Congratulations to Alex D on achieving his 1 mile swimming award.

### Boys Football News - Football Cup Round 2 v Longlevens



The A team knew that they were up for a tough test as soon as they drawn against Longlevens in the second round of the knock cup. In the first half, Longlevens had the most possession and made the most of this, scoring two goals. The final score was 4-0 to Longlevens. Although this means that we exit the knock out cup, the team will now be placed into the plate competition and look forward to seeing how well they can do in this. Well done to Will, Jonas, Riley-Jak, Toby, Thomas, Lewis C, Lewis V and Ellis.

### OPEN THE BOOK

Thank you to our Open the Book Team, who told "Jesus' Special Friends".

### NOTICES & REMINDERS

#### Menu This Week

Week 3 of the menu

#### Clubs this week

There will be no clubs run by the teachers tomorrow or Thursday due to the Parents Evenings taking place. The outside run clubs and Upton Lates will be on as usual. There will also be no choir after school this Wednesday.

#### Crossing Patrol

There will be no crossing patrol next Monday morning at Commeline's Farm. Please take extra care when crossing the road.

### Upton Holiday Club

We are delighted to announce that we will be trialling our first Upton Holiday Club for three days during the Easter Holiday; on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of April. Following the positive responses from the parent/carer survey we will run the club for USL pupils from 9am through to 4pm: 66% of respondents on the survey thought these hours the most appropriate, we will also have an option for mornings only. The club will be run by USL staff and offer opportunities for craft activities, sport and Forest School sessions amongst other things.



We also asked what our parents and carers felt reasonable to pay for the club; we have decided that we will charge £21 for a whole day or £12 for mornings only 9am – 1pm. A full programme will be available for parents/carers to view within the booking form, this will be sent out by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Booking forms will be required to be returned by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March to allow us to staff appropriately.

### School Improvement Priorities Information Meeting for Parents

We would like to remind you to attend the meeting on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 5:00pm to 5:45pm in the school hall where we will provide information on our current School Improvement Plan priorities. There will be a short presentation followed by refreshments and the opportunity to talk to members of the Senior Leadership Team and Governing Body and to ask any questions you may have. We hope to see many of you there.

### Safer Internet Information Morning

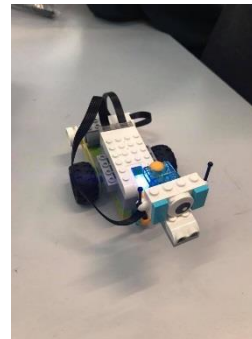
We are really pleased that our Year 5 and Year 6 children have benefited from a visit from our local police early today on the topic of Internet safety, our community PCSO's Lianne Hiscock and Christine White showed the children a powerful film about the dangers of online social media and delivered a talk and a quiz to the children.



### Digital Leaders

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, a group of our Digital Leaders visited Coopers Edge School. They had great fun forking with the digital leaders from Coopers Edge, showing them how to use our Lego WeDo kit!

Thank you to William P, William D, Jolie, Isabelle T, Kamea, Leah and Ella J, as well as the adults who transported you there!



### Upton Lates - Arts and Crafts

At Upton Lates this week, there will be an opportunity for the children to make fun and colourful Ferris Wheels!

### Violin Success


Well done to William D on achieving his Silver Award in violin last week.



### Dance success

Congratulations to Jorja on passing her Grade 2 modern dance exam with commendation.

### Golden Book

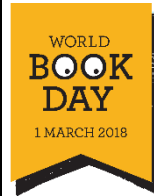
Congratulations to George P and Archie C whose names appear in the Golden Book for their wonderful 2D and 3D models. 

### Attendance



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

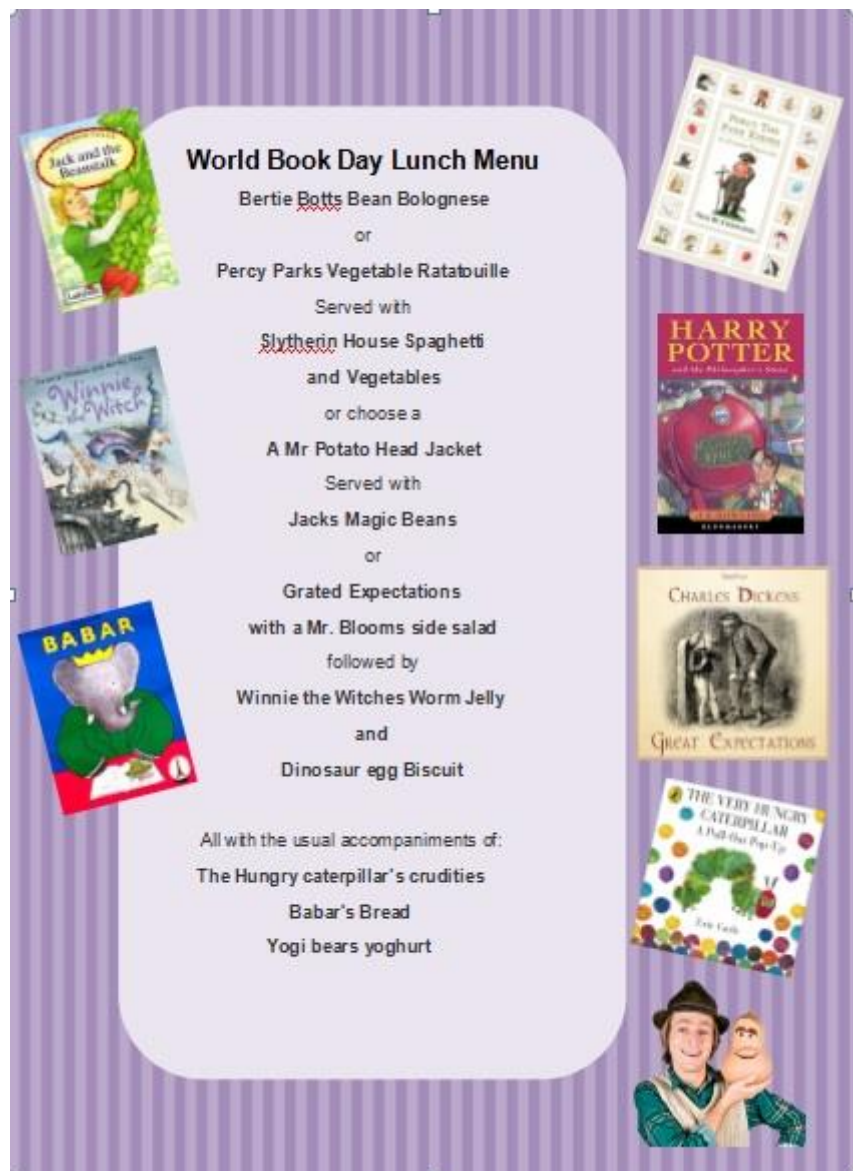
### World Book Day – This Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March



Who is your favourite children's book character? We are holding a dressing-up day on World Book Day this Thursday to celebrate our love of reading. Come to school dressed as your favourite character this Thursday and enjoy a day of fun and activities based around books, storytelling and role-play. At the end of the day children will bring home a World Book Day token to spend at a book shop. We look forward to a really exciting day!

### World Book Day – Special Lunch

Chef Kirby has designed a menu fit for world book day and invites the children to dine dressed as a favourite book character and enjoy the delights from our wonderful chef and catering team. Choose from;



**World Book Day Lunch Menu**

Bertie Botts Bean Bolognese  
or  
Percy Parks Vegetable Ratatouille  
Served with  
Slytherin House Spaghetti  
and Vegetables  
or choose a  
A Mr Potato Head Jacket  
Served with  
Jacks Magic Beans  
or  
Grated Expectations  
with a Mr. Blooms side salad  
followed by  
Winnie the Witches Worm Jelly  
and  
Dinosaur egg Biscuit

All with the usual accompaniments of:  
The Hungry caterpillar's crudities  
Babar's Bread  
Yogi bears yoghurt

Book covers featured: Jack and the Beanstalk, Winnie the Witch, Babar, Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban, Great Expectations, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, and a character from The Gruffalo.

### **School Worship**

Gordon Rea shared another of his visual painting worships this morning. He told the story of the Wedding at Canaan from the viewpoint of a disciple, and linked it to the story of Passover and the Last Supper. Thank you to Jaime and Harry, his volunteers at the wedding party!

### **Parents Consultation Evenings**



Our Parent Consultation Evenings are being held tomorrow, Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March. The booking system is still open on eSchools to arrange your appointment. Visit our school website and log in: [www.upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.upton-st-leonards.gloucs.sch.uk) .