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ULEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Wednesday 29th March 2023

We are approaching the end of term 4.

I hope you all remembered to put your clocks forward last weekend! It is such a relief to have lighter

evenings!

Thank you all for your support throughout the spring term. I wish you all a lovely Easter break

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Well done to:

All of Class 3 for showing kindness and consideration. Arthur for showing great enthusiasm on the school trip. Olivia for always being a model pupil. Toby for persevering with his handwriting. Evie for super perseverance in both her reading and writing Freddie for sharing his amazing knowledge at the church. Abigail for super kindness and consideration to others. Arina for always showing compassion to others. Sylvie for an outstanding newspaper report all about an earthquake. Violet Cl for always using really interesting language in her writing. Monty for being creative with his Marley The Meerkat narrative. Elizabeth for fantastic story writing about a character visiting London. Kayla for her fantastic writing in RE and English. Imogen for amazing resilience in Maths and progress in Rainbow Maths Elsa for a wonderful 'Magic Box' list poem. Theo for his amazing football skills – keeping control of his ball when dribbling.

Keep being the best you can be and keep flourishing!

They are like trees that grow beside a stream that bear fruit at the right time and whose leaves do not dry up. They succeed in all they do. Psalm 1:3

This week

Don't forget it is homework share this Friday at 9am – come along The Easter Service is in St Giles this Friday at 1.45pm.

This Thursday the CHIPS will be opening their snack shop. The children can bring 20p for a biscuit.

Experiencing Easter

A lovely compliment was received by Reverend Morag 'It was an absolute pleasure to welcome the children and adults to Experience Easter this morning. All the team commented on how receptive the children were to each section of the story, and how well they were able to share their suggestions and ideas with others, working well with their partners to discuss parts of the story'.

Canon Michael spent some time in the afternoon speaking with some children about their experience in the church.

A little note from Canon Michael:



I was in St Giles for one of the Experience Easter sessions and afterwards met with groups of children from both Key stages who were able to tell me the Easter story as well as why they had been given palm crosses and an Easter egg. It was moving to hear the children talk about how peaceful the visit to the church had made them feel.

Garden Tidy

Thank you to all who helped out with garden tidy. Not a lot of us there but we sure did make a difference! It already looks a great deal tidier and is well on the way to be ready for the summer.

Red Nose Day

Thank you to all those that donated towards Red Nose Day we raised £52.00. Thank you!

Governor Visits

Phonic Visit

Jane Lewis joined us on our Phonic Development Day to take part in how well phonics is being developed and to see the impact of the new scheme:

'What joy to see children so engaged with their phonics lessons and to witness the success of the new programme'.

PSHE – Personal, Social, Health and Economic Curriculum

I recently visited the school and had the opportunity to take a sneak preview of the New PHSE structure and lesson plan. I was taken through lesson plans and reviewed evidence of learning. It was great to see that the ownership from the subject leaders had been cascaded through the school and was evident in the children's learning. Graham Wilkes.

Safeguarding Visit

Martin Bragg spent some time with the children:

All pupils identified the school as a "safe place". They were confident that if they had a personal concern, then they could approach an adult who would listen sympathetically, and if necessary, take action. Pupils' say bullying is rare, and when it has happened, swift action has been taken to address it. Pupils identify a strong culture of care and respect in the school supported by, for example, anti-bullying week and school worship. Pupils refer to steps the school takes to address this area through, e.g. e-safety teaching, PSHE teaching and Bikeability.

Updated Policies

Here are some policies which have been updated and ratified by Governors. You will find these on the school website.

- Assessment Policy
- Remote Learning Policy
- Writing Policy
- Handwriting Policy
- English Policy
- Reading Policy
- Admissions Policy 2024 2025

Any questions around any of the policies, please come and ask.

Head Lice Alert!

Once a Week take a Peek - Head lice are a normal part of childhood - surveys among primary school children have found that nearly 1 in 10 have head lice at any one time. If you're a parent, you probably know what a hassle it is to treat head lice and just how frustrating it can be when your child comes home scratching their head yet again.

<u>http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/</u> have a look at this website which gives you lots of guidance on managing head lice.

Attendance

In order to support the children to flourish, we are always striving for the best attendance and punctuality possible. The children's reports always contain attendance information for your reference and when attendance becomes a concern an analysis is carried out. This can trigger a series of letters and a request for involvement from the Local Authority to improve attendance. If there is support that needs putting into place, we can do that; working together in order to improve the children's attendance is our aim.

Attendance Ladder

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
uates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
uates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

Let's Talk

Let's Talk is a free NHS service available to provide evidence-based therapies to help with stress, anxiety, depression and related conditions.

Let's Talk is for all adults aged 18 and above, and you do not need a GP referral. Simply visit <u>www.letstalkglos.nhs.uk</u> or call 0800 073 2200 to see how the service can help you.

Families Gloucestershire Magazine

Here is the link to the next issue of Families Gloucestershire Magazine.

The Mar/Apr 2023 issue is loaded with useful information for parents including:

- Family walk downloadable challenges
- Mother's Day gift ideas
- Free KS1 & KS2 SATs revision tools
- Easter crafts
- Hosting an egg hunt
- Top Easter Eggs 2023
- Top value family holiday destinations
- Engaging your child with history and loads more.....

Don't forget that we are all happy to talk should you:

- like an update on your child's progress other than Parent's Evenings
- like more information on how to support your child at home
- like to celebrate your child's achievements in and out of school
- have a worry
- have any questions about your child's education

• need clarification/reminders on information

Ofsted Parent View

Leaflets can be found in the reception area or visit <u>www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk</u>

Term Dates

Term dates for 2023 – 2024 can be found on the school website Uley CofE Primary School | Term Dates (uleyprimary.co.uk)

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 30th March – CHIP Council Snack Shop Friday 31st March – Homework share, 9am at Uley School Friday 31st March – Easter Service, 1.45pm St Giles Church Friday 31st March – End of Term 4 Monday 17th April – Start of Term 5 Monday 1st & 8th May – Bank Holiday Tuesday 9th May – Year 6 Statutory SATS week



























The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme

HAF will be returning this spring for children and young people in Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefitsrelated free school meals.

To watch our latest HAF video to get a taste of what you can expect this spring go to: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=vtQws6bsetU

Between 3-14 April, HAF eligible families will be able to access up to 4 days of free, fun activities in their district. To find out what days your district is delivering HAF, you can follow your HAF district lead on social media.

What will be available at HAF this spring?

» Family days out

» Football, basketball, cricket and more

- » Forest skills
- » Gymnastics
- » Music production
- » Sensory play
- » Delicious food
- » And more!



Scan here to visit our HAF vebsite for more information.

Bookings open 16 March-Make sure you're HAF ready! Sign up to our **HAF booking system** at: https://www.gloucestershire. gov.uk/education-and-learning/ holiday-activities-and-food-programme/register-for-our-childrens-activities-bookingsystem/

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