

# LIVE LEARN FLOURISH

# ULEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



# Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Yesterday, we walked to St Giles church where Reverend Juliet joined us for a special VE day collective worship. During our reflection time, each Year 6 had the opportunity to ring the church bell to mark VE day.

Dear God,

Thank you for all those who fought to bring peace during the Second World War. Thank you that peace eventually came.

Please be with all those who are living in areas of the world that are affected by wars today. Please help us to do our bit in creating peace wherever we are.

# A Rainbow of Friendship.

The infants wove ribbon and fabric along with quotes on how to show friendship.



# LIVE LEARN FLOURISH – be the best you can be!

Marz for excellent independent work in our DT lesson; furthering his knowledge of how cams work. April for amazing football skills in PE.

Lydia for trying really hard with her spellings.

Lucas for being fab at Fun Club.

Martyna for always being a kind friend.

James for demonstrating daily how to be a good friend.

Erin for her incredible learning attitude. Oliver (Class 4) for always showing the school values.

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

#### Value for the Summer Term

We start the autumn term by exploring the value of Friendship. Throughout the term the children will be thinking about:

**Sticking together** – a friendship bracelet shows how the strands are woven together takes time and effort, just like building a good friendship. Christians believe that Jesus is woven into their lives and will be their closest friend.

**Encouraging one another** – St Paul wanted to teach people that the best way to live in friendship is to encourage one another rather than being critical and negative.

**Supporting one another** – thinking about friendship and how friends can be relied upon and will do anything to help each other.

# TALK ABOUT

FRIENDSHIP TOGETHER... Learning to be a good friend, someone who can be trusted and is loyal, takes a lifetime. Talk together about how friends come in all shapes and sizes. Some are young, some are old. Some are always there, some we see only occasionally.

• How do we choose our **friends**?

What makes a good friend?Are we a good friend to others?

**Making time for each other** – thinking about the way that our friendships are strengthened by spending time together.

**Learning to listen** – sometimes we need to show compassion towards our friends when times are tough **Experiencing Pentecost** – knowing God's presence

You can find a link to the Home School value activities: <u>http://www.uleyprimary.co.uk/about-us/church-links/collective-worship/</u>

# **Team Points Spring 2025**

Here is the total amount of team points for the spring term. It was so close! Well done to **Dauncey's**. The children have chosen to have a non-school uniform day which has been arranged for **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**! Well done to Sheppard's, Rockstowes and Angeston too – great team work!



Dauncey's	Sheppard's
3486	2852
Angeston	Rockstowes
3473	3420

#### **Online Safety – Roblox**

Just so you know.... Roblox is getting its fair share of negative press lately. Most recently (13th April) Revealing Reality have released results of their investigation called 'A Digital Playground - The Real Guide to Roblox'. As part of this investigation the researchers created multiple accounts pretending to be persons aged 5, 9, 10, 13 and 40+ in order to explore the safety settings and the user experience which included:

- Adults and children can easily interact.
- Easy access to highly suggestive environments, including participation in adult-themed conversations.

You can read the full report <u>HERE</u>.

#### For Parents - New Tools to Manage Roblox

At the beginning of April Roblox announced some new tools, which will allow parents a greater degree of control over their child's Roblox experience. These tools include:

- Limiting who their child can connect with.
- See which experiences (games) their child plays the most.
- Limit experiences their child can access.

There's a lot more, all summarised in an article from Roblox HERE.

# For Parents - How to Report Online Harm

There are so many apps with different reporting functions, organisations, helplines and more it can be really frustrating for parents to get help. Internet Matters have a really useful page which details some of these organisations and what they can do, how to report specific issues, how to report on many of the social platforms and games and where to go for more help.

You can see all the details HERE.

# Summer Term Statutory Assessments

Although we have our own in-school assessments and tracking system, we are also expected to complete statutory tests, so here are some key dates. Any questions, please come and ask.

Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 Statutory testing

Week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Year 4 Multiplication Tests

Week commencing 9th June - Y1 Phonic screening

June – End of Year 2 assessment – this is now non-statutory, but we will continue to assess the children at the end of Year 2.

By the beginning of July – Foundation stage Early Learning Goals

# Free School Meals

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-schoolmeals/apply-for-free-school-meals/

What are the qualifying criteria for Free School Meals?

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit

• Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

• Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

• Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

We are very much aware of the impact the rising costs of living may have on families, please come and speak to a member of staff if you think you may be entitled to Traditional Free School Meals. This is still applicable even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and are entitled to Universal Free School meals

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

# Move More Day – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Move More will be joining us for the day to work with the children on team building skills and being active! Please could all the children come to school dressed in PE kits.

#### Dates for your Diary

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATS week Monday 19th May – Knex final am Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Another Move More Day planned!! Juniors to wear PE kits to school infants to have PE kits in school Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – End of Term 5 Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Start of Term 6 Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Year 4 Multiplication Test week Thursday 5th June – Year 1 and Year 2 Multi-skills morning at Rednock – letter to follow Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonic Screening week Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Life Education visit – more information to follow Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6s Leavers' Service at Gloucester Cathedral – letter to follow. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Parents' Evening, 5.30pm Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Transition morning Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Transition afternoon Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – KS2 Performance, 1.45pm Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – KS2 Performance, 6.30pm Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Homework Share – 9 – 9.30am Wednesday 9th July – Years 1 and 2 Live, Learn, Flourish Worship, 9.10am **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Transition morning Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Afternoon Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Live, Learn Flourish Presentations, 9.30am at school. Year 6 parents invited – email will be sent out Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Afternoon Reserve Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – End of Term Service, 1.30pm, St Giles. Live, Learn, Flourish Awards and saying goodbye to our Year 6s

#### **Term Dates**

Term dates for 2025 – 2026 can be found on the school website <u>Uley CofE Primary School | Term Dates (uleyprimary.co.uk)</u>



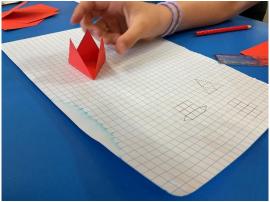
#### Class 4

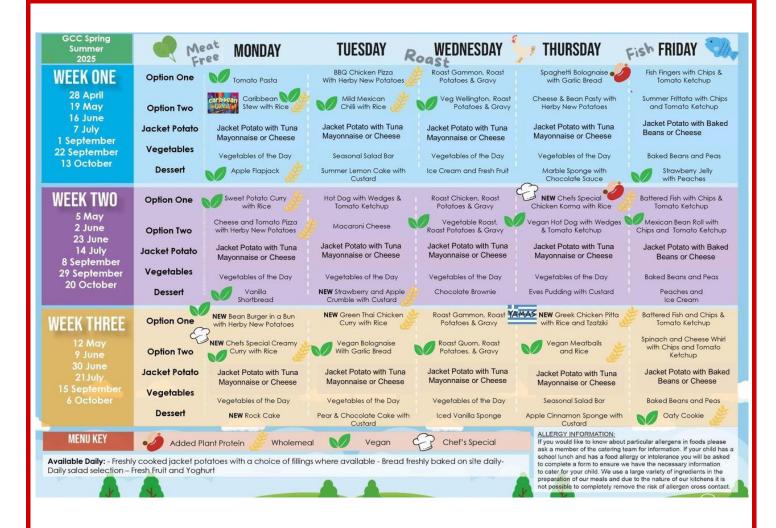
As part of their 'Sow, grow and farm' geography unit and their 'Eat the seasons' DT units, Class 4 made leek and potato soup using local, seasonal ingredients. They peeled, chopped, sauteed, stirred and blended - learning some valuable life skills in the process.

#### Class 4

In Class 4, Year 6 have been working on their understanding of 3D shapes and nets. This culminated in them designing and making their own net or a cuboid, a triangular prism and a triangle-based pyramid using the skills they have learnt.







#### FGR Community Soccer Camps are back this May half-term! A Message from FGR

Taking place at The New Lawn Stadium on **27th**, **28th**, **29th**, **and 30th May**, our camps provide a fantastic chance for girls and boys of all abilities aged 5–13 to enjoy football in a fun, inclusive environment. Children will have the opportunity to stay active, learn new skills, make new friends, and develop their football knowledge – all under the guidance of our qualified and experienced coaches.

We are also pleased to announce that **Tuesday 27th May will be a Girls Only Day**, offering a supportive space for girls to build confidence, enjoy the game, and play alongside their peers.

Parents can use the code **Earlybird** to receive a discount if they book within the next week - <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/fgr-community-soccer-camps-ages-5-13-nailsworth-may-tickets-1354848501339?aff=oddtdtcreator</u>

#### Time Out for Parents: Children with Additional Needs Course.

The course begins on Thursday 15th May 2025, 10am- 12noon, in person at Treasure Seekers, 52 Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2NF.

There are 7 sessions on consecutive Thursdays (There will be no session on Thursday 29th May during the school break). The final session is on Thursday 3rd July 2025.

The cost is £40 total

Parents can book a place on the course using the link below:

https://kftseekers.org.uk/service/time-out-for-parents-children-with-additional-needs/

This course is for parents of any child with an additional need for support, if: You are struggling to understand or manage your child's behaviour, or Your child has developmental challenges, or Your child becomes overwhelmed by their emotions, or You're feeling isolated because of your child's needs, or Traditional parenting methods are just not working well for your family,

Absolutely no official 'diagnosis' is necessary, you don't even have to know what might be causing your child to need extra help.

Through the course we encourage a willingness to explore ideas and find out what works for you and your family. We recognise that all children are individuals and no-one knows your child better than you.

The course offers practical, jargon-free advice and practical steps to engage and build relationships with your children with additional needs. The course is also a great opportunity to build relationships with other parents.

There are seven sessions, including: 1. Parenting Children with Additional Needs 2. Self-Esteem

- 3. Coping with Your Feelings
- 4. Understanding Behaviour
  - 5. Managing Behaviour
- 6. Home and School Issues
  - 7. The Wider Family

Time out for Parents: Children with Additional Needs is run by licensed facilitators for 'Care for the Family'.