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ULEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st November 2025

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

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Children in Need

Thank you everyone for getting involved last Friday for such a good cause.

There were certainly a lot of spots and dots!

We do hope you managed to donate online!



Royal British Legion

Thank you from Uley School and Karen Randall (Uley School Governor). A magnificent £196.27 was raised for such a good cause.

Keep flourishing everyone!

Staffing

Last week, we said goodbye to Mrs Quemby. Mrs Quemby has been at Uley School in a variety of roles over the past few years. Her support and care has been much appreciated. We wish her all the best.

Just so you know, Miss Meulbrouck will be absent for a while as she recovers from surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her when she has recovered.

In the meantime, Fun Club will be managed through existing staff – thank you to staff for stepping in!

We are recruiting for a Breakfast Club staff (7.30 – 8.50am) to start as soon as possible. If you would like, or know someone who would like more information, please contact the school office.

For Parents - Cyberbullying Advice

Children being bullied online, particularly in games and via messaging apps, remains one of the top concerns of many parents and their children. Internet Matters have a range of guides and articles to support parents and carers which I have listed below:

- Talking to children and conversation tips for ages 6-10, 11-13, 14-17 and vulnerable children - [HERE](#)

- What is cyberbullying and what are the signs - [HERE](#)
- Helpful ways to prevent cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- How to deal with cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- Parents experiences of cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- Useful resource - [HERE](#)

Parking Reminders

A reminder to please avoid using Woodstock Terrace to drop children off and to collect children at any point during the day. We have worked hard with the local residents and endeavoured for many years to make this a pedestrian route to school and encourage our children and families to walk to school this way. Any cars driving travelling up/down Woodstock Terrace are putting young children at risk. Please do not drive up/down Woodstock Terrace. Thank you.

Co-Opted Governor Vacancy

At Uley C of E Primary School we continue to look for a co-opted governor to join our governing body. As a governor you will be a volunteer who makes a vital contribution to the success of the school.

School governors have three main roles.

Governors ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.

The governing body helps to set long-term plans for the school, decide where improvements need to be made and how to make them.

Governors hold the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and the effective and efficient performance management of staff.

The governing body looks at the quality of education being offered and ensures the head is doing everything possible to improve results.

Governors oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent.

Governors examine budgets and spending proposals to monitor whether the school is getting value for money and ensure the money is spent in the right areas.

This role may be particularly of interest if you have skills in finance/accounting, human resources, data or education but we invite applications from anyone who is interested in helping the school be the best it can be. Full training is available and governors are encouraged to attend regular training sessions, either in person or online.

We are looking for someone from the community (not a current parent of the school) who can attend approximately six full governing body meetings per year and around six committee meetings per year. Meetings are held in school, usually on Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Governors also spend pre-arranged time in school across the year.

You must be 18 or over to apply and all governors must have Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks. If you would like to find out more please contact the school.

What are Co-opted Governors?

- Co-opted governors and trustees are appointed by the board based on their skills, experience and perspective.
- They often have specialised knowledge in areas like HR, finance, law, data and education.
- Sometimes known as community governors and cannot be a current parent at the school.

School Closures

Making the decision to close a school is quite a challenge as there are so many factors to consider. In the event of a closure, the decision will be as early as possible. For those uncertain circumstances such as snow, the decision to close may need to take place early in the morning to allow for additional information such as monitoring of the area, updated weather forecasts and information from the Local Authority.

In the event that the school has to close, such as snow, the procedures are:

- You will receive a text message
- A message will be posted on the Gloucestershire County Council website so please check: <http://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools/>
- A message will be posted on the school website

Work will be provided during school closures. This will be sent out via email initially before posting on the school website.

Christmas is Coming! Dates for your diaries

Thursday 11th December - Infant Nativity 2pm and 6.30pm – a letter will be sent out soon

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas lunch and parties

The children will be having their Christmas lunch followed by parties and a special visitors. Children can wear a Christmassy jumper along with school uniform.

Friday 19th December – 1.30pm

End of term Carol Service in the church, 1.30pm all welcome. The children may be picked up from school if the service finishes early.

Don't forget that staff are happy to arrange to speak with you, 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

Dates for your Diary

Friday 21st November – Class 4 Swimming

Friday 28th November – Class 4 Swimming

Wednesday 3rd December – Class 4 Live, Learn, Flourish Worship, 9.10 am all welcome

Friday 5th December – Class 4 swimming

Saturday 6th December – Cross Country race at Dursley Rugby Club, 9.30am.

Friday 12th December – Class 4 swimming

Wednesday 10th December – 9- 9.30am all welcome to join us for homework share.

Wednesday 10th December – Year 6 SATs information session, 3.45pm

Thursday 11th December – Infant Nativity 2pm and 6.30pm performances (return to school for 6pm) – more information will follow

Monday 15th December – Class 4 Class viola performance, 2.30pm - more information will follow

Wednesday 17th December – Children's Christmas lunch and parties

Friday 19th December – Uley School Christmas Service St Giles 1.30pm

Term dates can be found on the school website

After-School-Clubs					
	Club	Age-range	Start-date	Finish-date	Member-of-Staff
Monday	Football 3.20-4pm	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Maximum 14	Monday 22 nd September	Monday 24 th November	Miss Davies
Tuesday	Infant Art 3.20-4pm	Years R, 1 and 2 Maximum 12 first-come-first-served	Tuesday 23 rd September	Tuesday 25 th November	Miss Morris
Tuesday	Karaoke 3.20-4.00pm	Years 4, 5 and 6 The children will have the opportunity to enjoy singing and perform at our church services. Due to cost and staff availability, Young Voices will take place every other year – we look forward to signing up again for September 2026	Tuesday 23 rd September	Tuesday 25 th November	Mrs. Delrosa
Wednesday	Cross-Country 3.20-4pm	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Information to follow, but races are at Dursley Rugby Club in Stinchcombe on: 18 October 2025 15 November 2025 6 December 2025 17 January 2026 Backup date: 7 February 2026	Wednesday 24 th September Wednesday 7 th January	Wednesday 3 rd December Wednesday 14 th January	Mrs. Harbin Mrs. Mandeville

New!
Interactive Map for Parents, Carers & Practitioners

Easily find parent courses, workshops and drop-in groups across Gloucestershire

SEND

Dads

co-parenting

0-11yrs **11+yrs**

Pre-birth, Birth & Early Years

Visit

<https://www.google.com/maps/@51.8111111,-1.1111111,15t/data=!3m1!1e3!3m1!1s0x4876c43a3071111111:0x111111111111111111>

St Giles Church
CHRISTMAS
TREE FESTIVAL

Calling all Village groups to decorate a tree for the festival in St Giles.

The Street, Uley GL11 5SN

6th-13th December 2025



Class 2

Who is Muslim and how they live?

Class 2 have been learning the Muslims face Mecca when they pray showing self-control and respect.

"I learnt that Muslims pray five times a day," Alila

Class 3

Class 3 have been thinking about 'The Power for Good' during anti-bullying week.

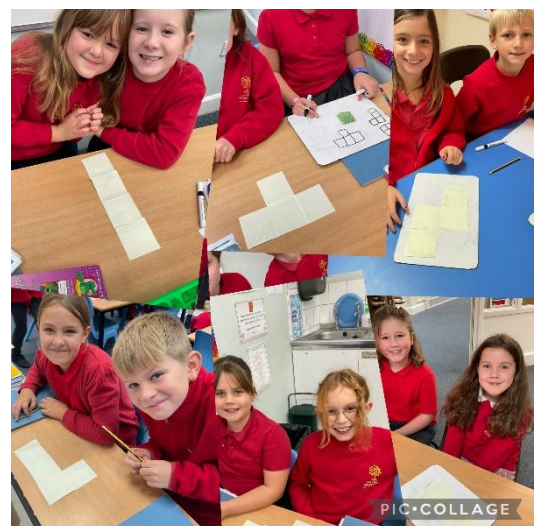
We discussed what kindness would look like, defined bullying and thought about how we can use our own power for good!



For Remembrance, every child at Uley School made a poppy. In worship we learnt about the Christmas Eve truce of 1914. The children were invited to lay their poppies as a mark of respect.

Year 4

Year four have explored measuring area this week. They used post-it notes to create a variety of rectilinear shapes. They very much enjoyed having a practical lesson!





Football

Years 5 & 6 enjoyed the cluster football event at Rednock. We came 3rd overall and the children showed great teamwork, sportsmanship and resilience! Well done!

Class 3

In English, Class 3 have been exploring a range of playscripts to see if there are any differences or similarities. They have found most playscripts have a title, setting character/ cast list, acts or scenes, stage directions and lines.

They are excited to be learning a playscript, making props and performing later on this week!



Class 1

Preschool have settled well. They enjoyed a great balance bike session with Mrs Brazier where they had to coast between chalk lines, stop and go and follow the leader. They did brilliantly.





Class 1 have created some beautiful poppies by printing, using cubes, Lego and buttons. We talked about why we wear poppies and watched a lovely animation on the BBC about a rabbit in the fields during WW1.

Class 4

An audacious crime has been committed in Class 4! At some point on Friday the 9th of November, a brazen thief stole Miss Morris's precious mug! Luckily they were caught on CCTV and we could examine the footage for clues!

Also luckily, we are in the middle of a newspaper writing unit and can use this daring heist to inspire our writing. We are now publishing these by practising our typing skills. Thankfully, the mug was safely, yet mysteriously, returned this Tuesday morning. Miss Morris is very relieved!

