

Ubley C of E Primary School
Newsletter 15 December 2023



As we come to the end of 2023, I would like to thank all our families, staff, and children for everything you do for our wonderful school community.

It has been a very busy couple of weeks with many joyful and memorable events. It was fantastic to take the children to watch a performance of Peter Pan at the Bristol Hippodrome last week. The children enjoyed the colourful spectacle and festive humour.

Huge thanks to the PTA for funding this special treat for the children.

We have lots of exciting events planned for the new year.

Over the holiday, try to provide lots of opportunities for your child to read different things, maybe a spot of funny poetry, a gripping new novel, non-fiction, maps, joke books, comics, or magazines –there's so much choice.

Knowledge is a seed that grows when you read.

We look forward to seeing the children fully recharged and ready to learn on **Tuesday 2nd January 2024**.
Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Nativity

I am sure you will agree that the children were fantastic in their Nativity this year. They did well to learn lines, songs and had great stage presence. Congratulation to all the children and thank you to Mrs Beck, Mrs Rose and Mrs Watson.



Diary Dates

2nd January 2024 – first day of term 3

17th January – PTA AGM 7.30pm on Zoom

19th February – INSET day

Bikeability for Fox Class – February dates TBC

3rd June INSET day

6th June – Class photos

13th June – Year 1 sports at CVS

Thank you to the PTA

We would like to thank the PTA for all their fundraising this year, thank you to all the parents who are involved in the PTA.

The PTA very kindly fund the transport for all the school trips to keep the cost down and treated the school to the pantomime trip.

More information about events will follow next year.

Thank you!

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to all the children who received certificates and awards this week. Well done Yeo House for winning the most house points this week and Chew for winning for the term.



Photos from the Christmas lunch

All children in the school ate together for their Christmas lunch, and enjoyed the Christmas music and crackers.



Christingle Service

St Bartholomew's Church, Ubley

Sunday 17th December at 4pm

All welcome



Concert

Christmas songs & fun with
Chew Valley Voices

Our new choir &
children's group

Ending with a few easy
Barn dances.
Join in or just listen.

Mulled wine & nibbles
Free admission

Collection for
Caring in Bristol
Charity for the homeless

Sat 23 Dec
St. Andrew's
Blagdon
5pm



Valley Arts

February Half Term Holiday Drama Club
Chew Magna Baptist Church, Bristol, BS40 8SP
Tuesday 13th February 2024, 10am-4pm

Cost £24* (*plus booking fee)



"Everyone has the potential to be an amazing storyteller; some just don't know it yet."

Join us for a day of self-expression and imagination at our upcoming Acting and Devising Workshop! Enjoy playful group games, thrilling storytelling adventures, and the chance to hone essential acting skills. Take to the stage for a performance, receive supportive feedback and direction from industry professionals, and, above all, experience an abundance of joy. Book now for a workshop that promises creativity and fun!

www.ticketsource.co.uk/valley-arts

There will be 2 groups running, open to children in School Year Groups 2 - 4 and 5 - 8. Please note - If booking in siblings, each child must be under a separate booking.

Requests for leave of absence during term time

A reminder that the LSP Attendance Policy states that absences should only be granted in exceptional circumstances and a family holiday does not constitute such an exception.

The Lighthouse Schools Partnership policy is in line with the May 2022 statutory guidance to schools. In almost all cases a request for a holiday in term time will have to be refused and if the unauthorised holiday is for 5 or more full days it will incur a Penalty Notice. Please follow this link for the attendance policy.

https://www.eastharptreeandubley.org/_site/data/files/35A50BD4930F9634BF552753A3C15692.pdf

Term Dates 2023/2024

Term 3	Tuesday 2 nd January 2024 – Friday 9 th February 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 12 th February 2024 – Friday 16 th February 2024
Inset Day	Monday 19th February 2024
Term 4	Tuesday 20 th February 2024 – Thursday 28 th March 2024
Easter Holiday	Friday 29 th March 2024 – Friday 12 th April 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 th April 2024 – Friday 24 th May 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 th May 2024 – Friday 31 st May 2024
Inset Day	Monday 3rd June 2024
Term 6	Tuesday 4 th June 2024 – Tuesday 23 rd July 2024