

Ubley C of E Primary School

Newsletter 10th January 2025

School Value this term is Courage

Diary Dates

Return on the 7th January

15th January – Years 3 & 4 netball tournament, packed lunch needed

12th March – Year 2 gymnastics festival

13th March – Guy Bass, visiting author

25th March – Year 5 & 6 football – packed lunch needed

9th June – class photographs

12th June – Year 6 Moving Up Celebration, Bath Abbey – packed lunch needed

INSET days 2024/2025

Monday 6th January

Friday 14th February

Monday 2nd June

Reminders

Please make sure you notify the school office of any home time arrangement changes.

Children need to bring a water bottle in each day, and children in Key Stage 2 may bring in a healthy snack for break time. Key Stage 1 have fruit provided.

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to all the children who received certificates and awards this week and to Mendip House for having the most house points.



Aspens – free meal

Aspens are again offering all children in KS2 a free meal, please see attached menu. Meals can be ordered via your online account.

We would encourage all children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 to take up a meal on the 16th January as the number of meals taken on this day will help with school funding.



Valley Arts has 2 holiday drama clubs running in Chew Magna during February half term on **Monday 17th February 2025** and bookings are now being taken

<https://www.valleyartscentre.co.uk/Events/holiday-youth-drama/>

February Half Term Holiday Drama Clubs
Chew Magna Baptist Church, Bristol, BS40 8SP
Monday 17th February 2024, 10am-4pm
Cost £25* (*plus booking fee)

"A Play In a Day" - Suitable for ages 6-10

Calling all young thespians! Join our Youth Theatre "Play in a Day" holiday club this February Half Term and discover what it's like to create, rehearse, and perform your very own play, all in one day! Perfect for budding actors ready to shine! [BOOK PLAY IN A DAY HERE](#)

"Paper Puppet Theatre Workshop" - Suitable for ages 9-13

Unleash your creativity in our Paper Puppets Workshop! Led by experienced theatre maker Tomasin Cuthbert-Menes, Artistic Director of Soap Soup Theatre, come and learn all about puppet making and puppetry techniques and discover some of the ways in which you can bring puppets to life in performance. [BOOK PUPPET DAY HERE](#)

Please note - If booking in siblings, each child must be under a separate booking.

Book Reviews

Thank you to Nell, Millie, Pru and Evelyn for sharing their book recommendations at assembly.



Compton Martin Pond competition

Just a reminder that if you wanted to submit an entry for the pond sign (see newsletter 22nd November on the website) your entry needs to be in by Sunday

The best drawings will be immortalised on the new sign next to the pond! The artists of these drawings will also receive as a reward a book voucher!

Please send all pictures/photos of drawings to irussell@comptonmartinparishcouncil.gov.uk by Sunday January 12th.

Information from B&NES Public Health Department

B&NES Public Health protection team would like to draw your attention to the following information received from the SW UK Health Security Agency. Please share with parents and carers as appropriate.

Back to school advice release

We issued this release this week with advice for parents and carers as children go back to school - <https://ukhsa-newsroom.prgloo.com/news/ukhsa-south-west-press-release-parents-and-carers-urged-to-take-simple-steps-to-ensure-children-make-the-healthiest-start-to-the-new-year>

Many thanks

Jenny Myatt

Health Improvement Officer

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.uk/site/data/files/35A50BD4930F9634BF552753A3C15692.pdf>

Term Dates	Academic Year 2024 - 2025
Term 3	Monday 6 th January – Friday 14 th February 2025
Inset Day	Friday 14th February 2024
Term 4	Monday 24 th February – Friday 4 th April 2025
Term 5	Tuesday 22 nd April – Friday 23 rd May 2025
Term 6	Monday 2 nd June – Tuesday 22 nd July 2025
Inset Day	Monday 2nd June 2025