

Ubley C of E Primary School

Newsletter 31st January 2025

School Value this term is Courage

Diary Dates

12th March – Year 2 gymnastics festival

13th March – Guy Bass, visiting author

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

2nd April – Easter Service at the church 9.15am

9th June – class photographs

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

INSET days 2024/2025

Friday 14th February

Monday 2nd June

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to all the children who received certificates and awards this week. House points will roll over to next week. Thank you to Esme for singing 'Those Boots' by Lainey Wilson. Millie, Poppy C and Poppy L all gave fantastic book reviews. Connie showed us her medals she won for gymnastics. Well done!

We also said goodbye and good luck to Evan and Fletcher who are leaving today for a new adventure in Scotland.



People who help us

This week Hedgehog Class have been learning about fire fighters and have had the loan of a fire box from Avon Fire & Rescue, which has lots of activities for the children.



The children in Hedgehog and Squirrel Class conducted an experiment to see which item out of water, sand and card would put out a fire.



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

Chinese New Year & Persian New Year

Children in Hedgehog Class celebrated both of these New Years, trying spring rolls, noodles and rice for the Year of the Snake.

To celebrate the Persian New Year they painted flowers on their faces to symbolise the start of spring.



Jo Sinclair's Tuesday art club

The children have been busy this term and this week they made snakes to celebrate the Chinese Year of the Snake



Sports Leaders

After consulting with their classes, the school council asked to re-introduce sports leaders.

There were a lot of children who were interested in being a leader and they will all be invited during the next few terms to help.

At their first meeting the new sports leaders have decided to add some new activities to playtimes, which they will run.

Fox Class leaders are Wilfred and Esme, and for Otter Class, Daisy and Chelsea.



Today they introduced funky Friday dance, teaching the children the Macarena.



Term Dates

| Term Dates | Academic Year 2024 - 2025 |
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| 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 |



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.