# **Ubley C of E Primary School**

## **Newsletter 17th October 2025**



#### **Diary Dates**

23<sup>rd</sup> October – Harvest service 9.15am

23<sup>rd</sup> October – Fox class to Wells Literature Festival pm

3<sup>rd</sup> November – INSET day

7<sup>th</sup> November – PTA school disco

10<sup>th</sup> November – swimming starts for Otter Class

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Ubley Christmas Market 10 am – 4pm

16th December – Hedgehogs and Squirrels nativity 9.30am and 6pm

18<sup>th</sup> December – community coffee morning

**Mobile Library** 

23<sup>rd</sup> October

### **Celebration Assembly**

These children received thankfulness awards this week.

Fox Class – Pru for her positive attitude and sense of humour.

Otter Class – Ivor for never complaining even when things are difficult, and his positive outlook.

Squirrel Class - Freddie for always saying thank you, his gratitude and never complaining.

Hedgehog Class – Tilly for understanding and never making a fuss.



## Caring, Capable and Confident

Fox Class – Finnley for being focused and enthusiastic with his persuading letter this week.

Otter Class – Fia for being confident and capable and working very hard with her times tables.

**Squirrel Class** – Arthur H for being capable with phonics when writing.

**Hedgehog Class** – Harriet for showing how capable she is to achieve success.



## The winning houses this week is Yeo and Mendip

Joint 1st place Yeo and Mendip with 103 points each

2nd place Chew with 90 points



**Book Reviews** 

There was a lot of reading going on this week, a fantastic array of book reviews!

Thank you to Arya, Bea M, Penny T, Molly and Fia.



## **Hedgehog and Squirrel trip to Nempnett Pastures**





Squirrels and Hedgehogs had a trip to Nempnett Pastures this week; they had a brilliant time.

Scarlett really enjoyed the tractor ride and feeding hay to the cows.

Arabella had fun making a clay hedgehog and putting seeds on it.

Harriet loved seeing the big dog watching over the turkeys.

They also all made an enormous bug hotel.

#### **Wellies for Eco Council**

The Eco Council have a new project and need lots of wellies, if anybody has a pair that they no longer need, they would be very grateful to have them.



#### **Clubs for Term 2**

The clubs' letter will come out next week, football this term had a very low take up, so we would welcome as many children to join as possible, as clubs will disappear if not used.



#### Harvest Service and local food bank

Just a reminder that our harvest service is on Thursday next week, 9.15am in the church. We will be collecting produce for the local food bank and welcome any donations from the attached sheet, to be bought into school.

#### Food Bank

Donations from the Harvest Service will be taken to the Food Bank at Carpenter's Food and Support in Withywood. The food distributed enables people struggling to feed themselves and their families. Last week 62 people received help.

Food can also be donated via the green boxes in Ubley Church porch and Compton Martin Church. The boxes are emptied regularly.. There is a list of items needed on the lid of the box. Please consider adding these items to your weekly shop.

Thank you

Stock cubes & spices Rice, grains & noodles Oil & Flour

Long life dairy-free milk Snacks - Biscuits, Crackers, Crisps, Sweets & Treats

> Spreads Jam, Honey, Peanut Butter & Marmite

Tea & instant coffee

Toiletries
Deodorant, Shampoo, Soap Bars, Dental Care & Sanitary Towels
Baby products
Laundry Tabs, Bleach, Washing-Up Liquid



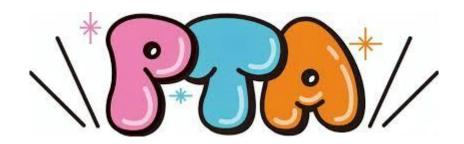
#### **Parent Tours**

We are holding some tours of the school for any parents looking for Reception places in September 2026.

Please spread the word to any families you are aware will be looking.

Thank you

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 1.30pm – 2.30pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am – 10.30am



#### **Beer Festival PTA Kitchen**

We once again kept all the Chew Valley Beer Festival goers fully fed over the weekend thanks to our delicious lunches and evening meals, served by current and former members of our wonderful PTA. This year we extended our offering to everyone attending Friday evening's Ubley Publey Beer Festival opening evening and had a great uptake! Our famed Ploughman's and evening offering was just as popular on Saturday with the kitchen teams selling out.

Kind donations from local businesses and members of the school community helped us to get to our best profit yet, an incredible £1,112!!

Thanks to all who donated and gave up their time to help make the event such a successful fundraiser.

#### **PTA Secret Present Room**

Providing we are able to secure enough donations of unwanted, new gifts we will be opening the doors of our own Santa's grotto again this December. The Secret Present Room offers all children the chance to choose a gift for their parent, grandparent or sibling and, with the help of our elves, wrap and label it ready to put under the tree.

In order to run this activity we need your unwanted, new gifts. Think toiletries, candles, socks, books, chocolates etc.

Please drop these in to Elspeth at school.

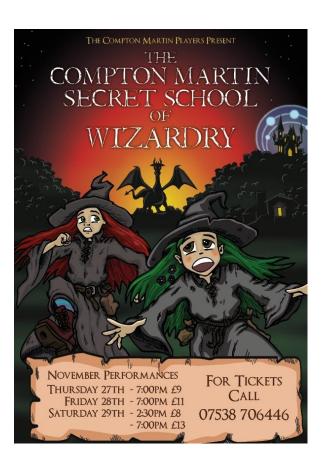
#### **PTA Winter Craft Market**

Last call for stall holders. If you, or anyone you know, would like to take a stall at our Winter Craft Market on Saturday 29th November please get in touch asap - rollinson.chloe@gmail.com

We are also looking for a team of parent helpers to assist us on the day. If you are free and could spare a few hours on the day please let us know.









## 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. <a href="https://www.eastharptreeandubley.org.uk/site/data/files/35A50BD4930F9634BF552753A3C156">https://www.eastharptreeandubley.org.uk/site/data/files/35A50BD4930F9634BF552753A3C156</a>
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#### **Inset dates**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

### Term dates 2025/2026

Term	Start Date	End date
1	Tuesday 2nd September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
2	Monday 3rd November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
3	Monday 5th January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
4	Monday 23rd February 2026	Thursday 2 April 2026
5	Monday 20th April 2026	Friday 22 May 2026
6	Monday 1st June 2026	Wednesday 22 July 2026