

Ubley C of E Primary School

Newsletter 26th June 2026



Diary Dates

30th June – sports day afternoon. From 1pm, PTA selling refreshments

1st July – Year 6 induction day CVS, move up day for all classes

1st July – new parents' breakfast at the Church, current Reception parents are welcome.

3rd July – Sports council fun run

9th July – Fox Class to CVS sports event, packed lunch needed

15th July – Fox Class trip to the Harbourside

16th July – 150th anniversary, Victorian day. parents invited from 2.40pm. More details will follow.

22nd July – Fox Class leavers' service 1.30pm for parents

Mobile Library

1st July

15th July

Sports Council fun run

Don't forget to sign up for the fun run on the 3rd July. Payment can be cash or can be added to ParentPay.

It would great to see as many children as possible sign up, they will all receive a medal for taking part.

Please could you ensure your child is aware if you are not signing them up to take part.

WE ARE RAISING FOR A CHARITY CALLED:

FAMILY FUND

VISIT [FAMILY FUND .ORG](https://familyfund.org) TO VISIT THE WEBSITE



FRIDAY 3RD JULY. [£3 TO ENTER!](#)

MEDAL FOR ALL FINISHERS



Sports day is next week on Tuesday 30th June at 1pm at the Glebe, it will be great to see as many of you as possible to cheer the children on. Just a reminder to send in a water bottle, sun hat and apply sun cream to your child before school.

The PTA will be selling refreshments.

Celebration Assembly

These children received perseverance awards this week:

Fox Class – Finnley for his perseverance at getting to the top of Jacob's ladder at camp.

Otter Class – Elsie and Mia nominated Syvana for always keeping going when things are hard.

Squirrel Class – Owen for never giving up and sticking with things.

Hedgehog Class – Louis as he always keeps going with everything.



Caring, Capable and Confident

Fox Class – Willow for showing incredible confidence during camp and stepping outside of her comfort zone.

Otter Class – Thomas for working hard and his amazing attitude to work.

Squirrel Class – Freddie for growing in confidence.

Hedgehog Class – Lola for always being confident to extend her learning.



Football awards

Well done to Toby and Francesca who both play for Chew Valley football club, and they both won a trophy for showing confidence and improving in their football

Ready, respectful and safe

Alisa, Lola, Caelan and Tilly enjoyed a special treat with Mr Harvey for always being ready, respectful and safe.



Doodle Maths

Congratulations to Fox Class who won the trophy this week.

1st place – Fox Class with 640 stars

2nd place – Squirrel Class with 626 stars

3rd place – Otter Class with 431 stars

4th place – Hedgehog Class with 341 stars

Lola collected the trophy for the class as Lola spent the most time on doodle maths this week, an amazing 1hr 17 mins!



House points this week

1st place goes to Chew with 172 points

2nd place Mendip with 158 points

3rd place Yeo with 142 points

Overall this term Chew and Yeo are jointly in the lead with 330 points each.

PTA uniform sale

here will be a second-hand uniform sale on Wednesday 1st July, uniform will be set out in the church for the day, please bring along cash as there will be an honesty box, or message the PTA to pay online



Thank you



A big thank you to Matt Smart, Jack Chitty, Gareth Nettleton and Billy Headdon who put up the gazebo in school, some welcome shade for the children.

Fox Class camp

Fox Class had the most amazing time at Grittleton Camp last week along with years 5 and 6 from East Harptree School.
Great fun and lots of new friendships were made.





Willow – I am proud of myself for trying new things. I particularly enjoyed archery.

Lola – I wish I could go back!

Trixie – The activities were amazing.

Phoebe – I loved all of the activities at camp but Aeroball was – by far – my favourite.

Finnley – I really loved climbing to the top of Jacob's ladder and I was very proud of myself and the rest of my group.

Arthur – The food was great: much better than I expected.

Georgina – Body Zorbing was my favourite activity and I would definitely do it again.

Pru – I liked making friends with the East Harptree 'peeps'.

Daisy – I learnt lots of new skills such as aiming to hit the target in archery.

Wren – I made a lot of new friends which was great.

Penny T – It was an adventurous week; I particularly loved the crate stacking challenge.

Bea – It was so fun; I wish we were there for more than a week!

Penny A – It was really fun and exciting.

Connie – I loved all of the activities but my favourites were Body Zorbing and crate stack.

Nyah – I liked being in the dorms with my friends and I loved Body Zorbing. The staff at Grittleton were really positive.

Jos – It was fun!

Jack – All of the activities were great!

Inset days for 2026/2027

Thursday 3rd September 2026

Friday 4th September 2026

Friday 20th November 2026

Friday 15th January 2027

Monday 22nd February 2027 (Trust training day)

Monday 7th June 2027

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/page/?title=Policies&pid=109>

Term Dates 2026/2027

1	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026
2	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
3	Monday 4 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
4	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
5	Monday 12 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027
6	Monday 7 th June 2027	Friday 23 rd July 2027

CHANGES TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS

GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS



From September 2026, more families will be eligible for Free School Meals



Applying could save you up to £495 per child, per year, on school lunches

FREE SCHOOL MEAL EXPANSION

More families may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) from September 2026, when families receiving Universal Credit will be able to access free school meals. There will be two types of Free School Meal eligibility from September 2026:



TARGETED FSM
Continues to be based on the existing £7,400 income threshold.



EXPANDED FSM (NEW)
Applies to meals only. Covers pupils whose households are in receipt of Universal Credit



IMPORTANT: While eligibility to Expanded FSM will be automatically granted to all recipients of Universal Credit, families will still need to apply to receive this benefit.

RECHECKS FOR ALL PUPILS CURRENTLY IN RECEIPT OF FSM

Since 2018, there has been a Free School Meal transitional protection policy to ensure that children didn't lose their free school meals if their family's income increased. This meant that free school meals entitlement has been typically locked in until the end of the child's current phase of education (e.g. end of primary or secondary school). This protection is ending at the end of the 2025-26 academic year. This means that all existing pupils in receipt of free school meals will need to have their entitlement rechecked before the start of September 2026. If your family's earnings exceed the FSM threshold, your child(ren) will lose their eligibility and pay for school meals from September 2026.



In most cases, these rechecks will be automatic and no action will be required by parents



NORTH SOMERSET SCHOOLS ONLY
Anyone who was awarded FSMs over 2 years ago would have applied via an old system. These parents/carers will need to reapply via their North Somerset Citizen's account.



ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS THAT BENEFITS PUPILS
Pupil Premium is extra funding given to schools for every child whose family is entitled for Targeted Free School Meals. This money makes a big difference to schools and the eligible pupils. It is often used for extra resources, school trips and additional staff. Pupil Premium will continue to be paid to schools for those pupils who have been covered by the transitional protection arrangements outlined above.

FIND OUT MORE: WWW.LSP.ORG.UK/FSM-CHANGES



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