

End of Year Message from Mr. Harvey

As another school year draws to a close, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the hard work and enthusiasm of our children, the dedication and determined commitment of our highly skilled staff, the valuable support of our parents, our governors and the creative PTA team. Your collective efforts have made this school year such a success. I am immensely proud to be the Headteacher of such a wonderful, successful and happy school.

The end of the year is always a time of mixed emotions – immense pride in what we've accomplished, excitement for the summer break ahead, and anticipation for what the next school year will bring. I encourage our children to take this time to rest and rejuvenate, and to our families, a huge thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education journey.

This year has been a tremendous success, and I would like to celebrate the remarkable achievements across our school. One hundred per cent of our Year 1 children passed the Y1 phonics check whilst our pupils achieved excellent outcomes in the national Y6 SATS, the Y4 multiplication check and at the Early Years Foundation Stage. Our attendance rates are amongst the top ten per cent of schools in the country, which is a testament to the commitment of our families.

The positive feedback we have received has been wonderful. The LSP teaching and learning team have provided very positive feedback during their visits, and visitors frequently comment on the excellent attitude and behaviour of our children. Our parent survey also highlighted very positive feedback, with families particularly appreciating our strong community ethos and caring pastoral support.

Beyond academics, we continue to offer a broad and rich personal development experience. From engaging trips and the Year 5 and 6 Grittleton residential, to special celebration days such as Ubley 150 Day, book day and sports day, our children benefit from a wide range of opportunities. Music concerts, sports clubs, mindfulness, languages, arts/crafts, street dance, theatre visits, drama workshops, and forest school to name just a few. We are grateful for our strong, supportive links with the local community and the village church, which enrich our pupils' experiences.

Throughout the year, we have seen many examples of how our children embrace and live out our key school values of Compassion, Courage, Friendship, Forgiveness, Generosity and Perseverance. We have witnessed proactive, caring children taking action to support charities, develop their leadership skills and stand up for good causes.

At the end of this term, we sadly say goodbye to Mrs. Eaton, one of our teaching assistants. Many thanks for all her hard work and commitment at Ubley over the years and we wish her all the best for the future. Mrs. Bonadie from East Harptree School, will be joining our team of Learning Partners (the new name for teaching assistants) in September.

For those saying goodbye as your children move on from Year 6, we wish you and your children happiness and success in the future.

Wishing you all an enjoyable summer break when it finally arrives next Wednesday! I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 7th September for another exciting school year.

Yours.

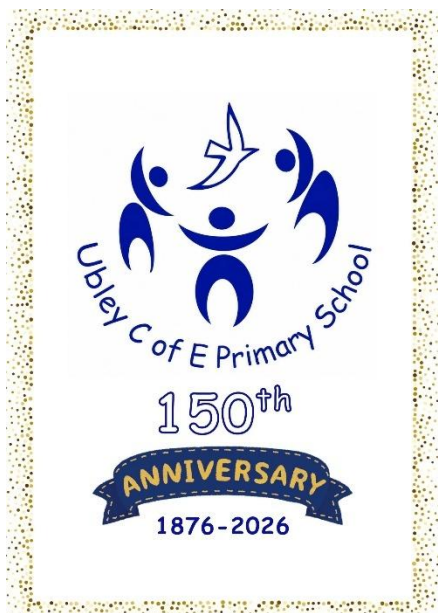
Ian Harvey
Collaboration Headteacher

150th Anniversary Celebrations

This week we started celebrations for the 150th anniversary of Ubley School.

It was lovely to see the children in their Victorian outfits, the children wrote poetry, drew pictures of the school now and back in 1876. Thank you to the parents who came at the end of the day to see the dancing and singing.

We will continue our celebrations in the new term.



Celebration Assembly

These children received perseverance awards this week:

Fox Class – Jack for persevering with the singing and dancing at the celebration.

Otter Class – Oaky for not giving up and always sticking at things.

Squirrel Class – Levison for keeping going all year with phonics.

Hedgehog Class – Tilly for being very supporting and helping her friends.



Caring, Capable and Confident

Fox Class – Jos for his enthusiasm with the singing and dancing at the celebration.

Otter Class – Robbie for being resilient and determined all year,

Squirrel Class – Ruby for always being caring, and capable and confident with her work.

Hedgehog Class – Harriet for growing in confidence and trying new things.



Ready, respectful and safe

Scarlett, Bea M, Nyah, Arthur T and Molly all received a treat with Mr Harvey this afternoon for always being ready, respectful and safe.



Well done to Tilly who told us all about her medal from gymnastics, especially her balancing skills

Doodle Maths

Congratulations to Otter Class who won the trophy this week.

1st place – Otter Class with 395 stars

2nd place – Fox Class with 248 stars

3rd place – Squirrel Class with 130

4th place – Hedgehog Class with 87

Francesca collected the award for Doodlemaths this week as she accumulated 146 stars and spent the longest time doodling.





House points this week

1st place goes to Chew with 180 points

2nd place to Mendip with 165 points

3rd place to Yeo with 148 points

Yeo House won overall this term with 791 points, the school council decided on a non-uniform day on Monday for children in Yeo, and a whole school treat spending some time playing at the Glebe.



Music award

Molly, Rosa and Poppy all played the keyboard to their friends in Squirrel Class, next step will be to perform to the whole school in assembly.

Syvana, Poppy L. Rosa, Molly, Elsie and Syvana were all awarded their keyboard certificates



Fox Class Pizza Express & M Shed

On Wednesday, Foxes had a fantastic trip to Pizza Express! The children became pizza chefs for the morning, creating and making their very own delicious pizzas. It was a wonderful hands-on experience, and there were plenty of smiles as everyone enjoyed the fruits of their hard work. A brilliant time was had by all!



As part of our Bristol trip on Wednesday, Foxes also enjoyed a visit to the M Shed Museum. The museum brought Bristol's fascinating history to life, taking us on a journey from prehistoric times right through to the present day. The children were engaged, curious and full of excellent questions throughout. It was a fantastic day of learning and fun for everyone!



Offer Class's moving monsters

Over the past few weeks, Offer Class have designed and then made their pneumatic moving monsters, which they demonstrated in assembly.



Valley Arts

Valley Arts' fabulous "A Play in a Week" Youth Theatre Summer Camp is back!

Once again led by experienced writer and director Toby Hulse, of Roustabout Theatre, this week-long holiday club is designed for young people aged 7 to 14.

Throughout the week they will play games, have fun and learn a range of theatre skills from a professional theatre maker; including improvisation, storytelling and devising. Using these skills, they then create their own play from scratch, which they perform to an audience of family and friends on the final day!

Valley Arts "A Play in a Week" Summer Camp

Mon 10th – Fri 14th August 2026 • 10am – 4pm every day

Chew Magna Baptist Church, BS40 8SP [Link to book](#) - [Youth Holiday Clubs - Valley Arts Centre](#)





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