

Ubley C of E Primary School

Newsletter 20th December 2024

School Value this term is Compassion

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school has been buzzing with Christmas excitement for several weeks now and the children and staff have been immersed in wonderful Christmas performances and festivities.

This week it has been fantastic to see the children so engaged and inspired during English lessons focusing on *The Snowman* by Raymond Briggs - a wonderful, magical Christmas story.

A huge well done to all our amazing children for all their efforts this term. I also want to extend my sincere gratitude to our hard working, dedicated staff team.

I hope everyone enjoys a safe, relaxing, and joyful holiday season. May your Christmas and New Year be filled with warmth, happiness and wonder.

Mr Harvey



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to all the children who received certificates and awards this week and to Yeo House for having the most house points. Year 1 won the award for the most doodle maths points this week.

Thank you to all the children who gave a book review and recommendation in assembly,



Treat for Winning house

The school council have spoken to their classes about the treat for the winning house each term. They would like to vary it each term, but during the winter they all voted to have a non-uniform day.

Children in **Yeo** house can come in non-uniform on Friday 10th January

School Council

The School Council have had several meetings this term and we have had some great ideas, comments and suggestions.

They would like to have an Eco Council and also a Sports Council, which we will arrange to start next term.

They have arranged some litter picking groups in Otter Class and Fox Class gathered some class mates to sort out the play equipment and the PE Shed. Thank you!

Thank you to Nell, Bea K, Wren, Fia, Oaky and Molly for representing their classes.



Offer Class trip to Bath Abbey

When we went to Bath Abbey, we learnt about Christmas a long time ago. First, we learnt about the monks and how Christmas was a very hard time for them. In the tudor times they would have nicer meals and Christmases. In the Georgian times they would put a pea and a bean in a cake, if you got the pea in your slice then you would be the queen, and if you got the bean you would be the king. *Daisy & Penny T*



Christmas Jumper Day

It was lovely to see all the children in their Christmas jumpers, we will be sending £45 to Save The Children.

Thank you

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

Diary Dates

Return on the 7th January

10th January non-uniform day for Yeo house

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

INSET days 2024/2025

Monday 6th January

Friday 14th February

Monday 2nd June