

Summer Term Newsletter
Week Ending 11/06/2021



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#### From Mrs Mayo

Welcome back. I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term. It was beautiful weather for most of it and the weather looks like it is going to continue.

Over the next few weeks, there are going to be a few changes of staff in school as Mrs Bradley, who has been working as a Teaching Assistant with us for over 4 years, will be leaving us next Friday (the 18th June) for a full time 1:1 TA position at another school. Mrs Bradley has been a great asset to the school and has many strengths. She has worked with many children over the years, and has run some excellent groups including yoga and lego. We will of course also miss her exceptional baking skills too, but hopefully, she will pop in to see us all and bring some goodies with her. We wish her the best of luck in her new adventure.

In addition, Mrs Dunne will be returning from maternity leave on Thursday 1st July, so sadly, on the 30th June it will be Mr Skelton's last day. Mr Skelton has been with us for just over a year now, and what a year it has been! He has fitted in really well with the team, and he will be missed, especially his musical flair and singing. We wish him the very best in the future, and thank him for all of his hard work especially in such strange times. Mrs Dunne will be teaching Reception and Year 1, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and I will be teaching Thursday and Friday.

#### R/1 - Mr Skelton

'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside, oh I do like to be beside the sea!'. Welcome to our final half term of the year and to our new topic of 'the seaside'. This week we have been finding out what the children already know about the seaside and listening to their stories of their fab holidays that they have spent there. We have been thinking about what you would find at the seaside using our senses and fish and chips was definitely a favourite for what we could smell and taste! Our key text is 'The Lighthouse Keppers Lunch' and the children have been learning how those pesky seagulls keep on eating Mr Grinling's lunch! In maths Year 1 have been going round in circles using positional language to describe turns as well as giving instruction's to each other to find different objects around the playground. Reception have been learning about British coins and how much the value of each one is.



Upton Snodsbury School Christian Values

are

Friendship, Respect, Thankfulness, Forgiveness, Responsibility, Trust "Where a love of learning grows"

#### Year 1/2 Miss Jones

Oh I do like to be beside the seaside. This term we are exploring the seaside and to start off our topic we have been creating ice-creams (not real ones) by following and understanding the features of instructions. This will all be needed for our learning next week where we will be making something and will need to write our own set of instructions for it. To help us understand how to do this, we have begun looking at what happens when we bend, twist, squash or stretch different materials and whether they can go back to their shape once completing these actions. We have really enjoyed looking at different solids and liquids and what happens to them once they have been heated and cooled. I wonder if these can go back to their original shape?



#### Year 3/4 Miss Earp

Welcome back! What a busy first week we have had! We have started to explore our new topic; "How do you solve the problem of plastic waste in our oceans?" The children are so engaged in this topic already and it's lovely to see them so enthusiastic about their learning! To start our topic, we explore where water comes from by exploring the water cycle. We made our own water cycles to keep at home to observe what happens to the water over time. In English, we've dived down deep into the ocean to go on an adventure with a whale! We are using visual literacy to help us write our own diaries about the whale's journey. So far, the children have sequenced the story and explored the features of a diary. In maths we are revising negative numbers as we are exploring temperature in science over the next few weeks to learn about the states of matter. I am so excited to explore this topic with the children!





# Stars of The Week

Year R/1—Matilda & Joe P

Rec—Matilda for fantastic independent writing

Year 1—Joe P for super work at home

Year 1/2 - Joseph

For being a fantastic listener to all instructions asked of him

Year 3/4 - Ophelia & Olivia

Year 3—Ophelia for showing great listening to be able to sequence the events of our story well

Year 4—Olivia for working well independently in all subjects, but in particular being a maths super star!









### **Bug Club**

#### **Bug Club – Overview of the past two weeks**

Bug club champions is about how many of you are starting a book on bug club and accessing those questions/quizzes correctly with the bugs face on.

5/20 children in R/1 have starting reading at least 1 book. That's 25% engagement!

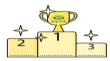
Eva has achieved the most correct questions at 71% with 5 books too!

8/10 children in 1/2 have starting reading at least 1 book. That's 80% engagement!

Martha has achieved the most correct questions at 72% with 4 books too!

19/24 children in Year 3/4 have started reading at least 1 book. That's 79% engagement!

Holly W has achieved the most correct questions at a huge 90%





15th June—Young Voices Big Sing—Year 4 (in school)

21st June- Hartpury Student in school all week- cricket club starts

23rd June— New Reception September Intake 21 —Parents Talk

21st June—Cricket afterschool club begins (4 weeks)

25th June—Reception Class—Vision Screening in school

22nd June — Bags to school collection at school

2nd July—Sports Day - date changed — see below

2nd July—Taster Day at St Nicholas Middle School— letter emailed to parents 28/4

5th July—Taster Day at St Nicholas Middle School

w/c 5th July last week of clubs (gardening, football, eco gardening, singing)

2nd & 5th July-Whole School Transition morning

6th July— Swimming finishes today

8th July—Brass Instrument Taster Session YR 2 & 3 —visiting tutor from Brass Band England

9th July—Sports Day

12th July—Sports Day (back up 1)

Wed 21st July—Leaver Service (tba)

Last Day of Term-Wed 21st July

\* New or Amended Dates are in red



# **Art Competition**

Owl Homes would like you to produce a piece of artwork with the winning piece being displayed in their new show homeat Upton Snodsbury.

#### Details

Theme: Owls

Size: A4

Style: As creative as possible, it can be a collage of materials, pen, pencil or paint

Entry Deadline: Friday 9th July, ready for the Owl Homes Team to collect and judge

Please ensure your child's initials and class are on the back of the artwork so winners can be

identified

Winners will be announced w/c 12th July.

#### Prizes:

1st Place - £30 Hobbycraft Voucher and their Artwork displayed in their show home

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - £15 Hobbycraft Voucher

3rd Place - £10 Hobbycraft Voucher

As well as the prizes above, Owl Homes have kindly offered to donate arts and craft resources to the school for taking part. So lets get creating!

There will be an opportunity for the winning children to visit the development on Friday 16th July, where they will be able to have their photo taken (subject to permission), collect their prizes and see the winning piece of artwork displayed in their new show home.

Completed artwork can be handed into the school office. Good luck!

# This Weeks Worship at Upton Snodsbury School



Worship Theme: Hope

This week we looked at the importance of Hope. We began by looking at seeds and what they grow in to, if we look after them well. As part of this, we then looked at the parable of the Sower and how we can grow through love, kindness and respect. We also read the <u>The Great Kapok Tree</u> by Lynne Cherry . This focuses on how deforestation is a recurring problem and impacts the entire planet. This story illustrates that there is hope for people to make changes. After both of these we spoke about how the children can grow too.



Bags 2 School will be collecting all your unwanted items for recycling on 22nd June 2021 & 9th November 2021. Please place your garments in black bin bags and bring along to the school before this date.



# Upton Snodsbury Parish Recreational Association needs your help.

USPRA are looking at replacing the fencing and surrounding play area so that everyone in our community can continue to enjoy the space safely. Please Like, Share and Donate to get involved in the competition. Closing date is 7th July 2021at 9.00am

For further information please visit the website below or scan the QR Code.

https://communityfund.calor.co.uk/upton-snodsbury-parkfence?tk=37c6a1a30a49d4074473035dce273e40b1622945



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