



# News from us

Autumn Term Newsletter

Week Ending 17/09/2021



Whole School Attendance

99.38%

## From Mrs Mayo

As part of our Worship theme of responsibility this week, we had a very special visitor in this week in school - Harley. Harley is 11-year-old cross breed. We think she is a mixture of a Jack Russel and Sheep dog. Harley will not be in every day but she will be here for special events and support work in school. We have been very proud of how the children have interacted with Harley especially those children who have a fear of dogs. To support this, we ensure that Harley always has an adult around and we will ensure that these children do not need to have a close contact with her. There is a risk assessment in place for Harley being on site and I kindly request that parents do not bring dogs on to the playground at pick up. The risk assessment does not cover other dogs on site.



Here are some of the key benefits of having a school dog:

- ◆ A greater enjoyment of being in the school environment, improved attendance and a greater willingness to learn and participate.
- ◆ Improved behaviour, social interaction and sense of responsibility in the classroom
- ◆ Increased knowledge of dogs and how to behave safely and appropriately around them.
- ◆ They gain a better understanding of how to take responsibility for another living being. This, potentially, gives them better recognition of their own responsibilities.
- ◆ Members of the school have a 'shared interest'. This encourages everyone to communicate, which has a positive impact on communication and relationships around the school.



Yesterday, we celebrated National TA Day. Thank you to Mrs Dunne who arranged a special tea party for them. The children also listed a range of adjectives to describe them all and we used this to create a little memento for every TA. These lists were so individual what was lovely to see and it showed how much the children know them all. The TAs in school work incredibly hard and we are privileged to have such a talented bunch. If you would like to be part of the acknowledgement of them there is a little tribute board at the bottom of the following website: [National Teaching Assistants' Day | 16 September \(nationalteachingassistantsday.co.uk\)](https://nationalteachingassistantsday.co.uk)

Upton Snodsbury School continues to support Worcester University by providing work placements for their teaching students. We have had the pleasure of having Laura Lewis join our team in Year 2 this week and she will be with us until December.

In Worship, we learnt about the festival of Yom Kippur which some consider the most important Jewish festival. Yom Kippur is a day to reflect on the past year and ask for God's forgiveness for anything that people may feel they have done wrong.

This is because in the Jewish faith, on Yom Kippur, God decides what the next 12 months will be like for everyone. God records his judgement of what is in store for people over the next year in the Book of Life, which is then closed and sealed up on Yom Kippur.

As part of this we looked at a video and took part in a quiz. The children really enjoyed this so here is a link so they can re watch and also find out some more: [Yom Kippur: What is it, when is it and how is it marked? - CBBC Newsround](https://www.cbbc.com/news/religion/yom-kippur). As part of our responsibility theme, we looked at what we could ask for forgiveness for and put some of these on our reflection boards in the classroom.

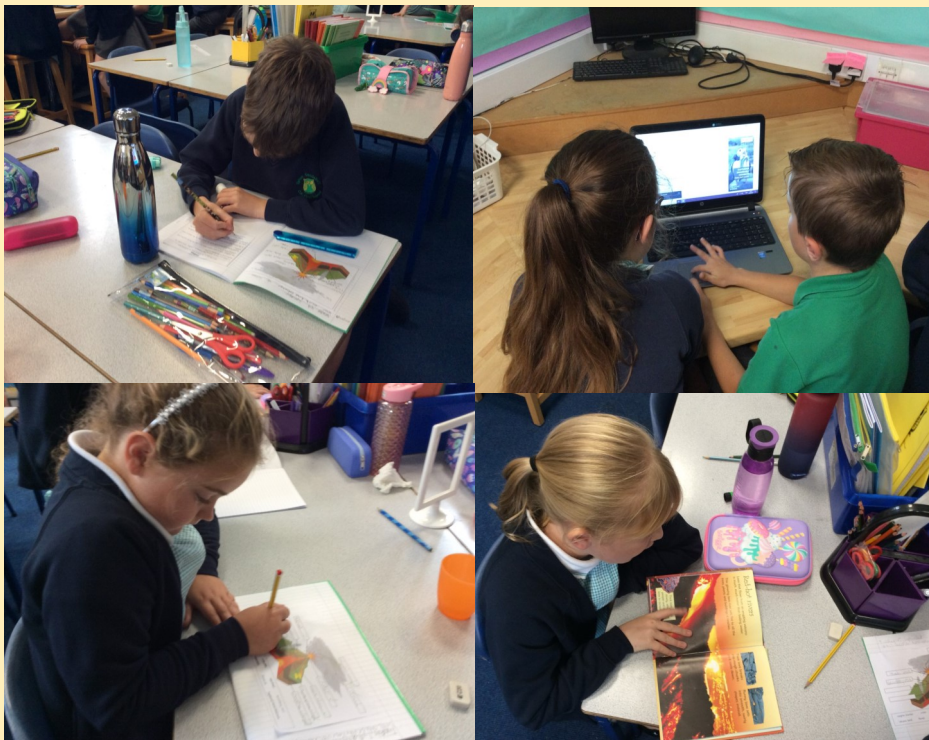
Finally, I have been informed that a few of you have been receiving this newsletter a few times. It will always be emailed out every Friday, as not everyone has the school website mobile APP. If you wish to unsubscribe to this you can request this on the email.

**Upton Snodsbury School Christian Values are**  
**Friendship, Respect, Thankfulness, Forgiveness, Responsibility, Trust**  
**"Where a love of learning grows"**

## This weeks class focus is on: Miss Earp - Year 3/4

This week we have delved in deep with exploring volcanoes. We've learnt how a volcano is formed and what impact a volcano erupting can have on people's lives. We carried out lots of research safely on the internet using Kiddle and read lots of books! In English, we have created our own shape poems about a volcano. We've used super description, onomatopoeia, similes and personification. For maths, we've continued to explore place value and used dienes to help us partition numbers and represent numbers in different ways.

Our Christian Value is Responsibility. We explored this in our PSHEC lesson when we were discussing what rules are and why we have them. Everyone has a job and working together to follow our class rules; listen, follow, try are all of our responsibilities.



There has been lots of police on patrol in our playground this week! Class R/1 have enjoyed playing on all the bikes and trikes. We have also been listening and talking about each others feelings in class.



## Stars of The Week



**Year R - Tilly** - For showing good listening in our classroom  
and following instructions

**Year 1- Xander** - For being a fantastic learner and showing our  
Christian value of responsibility as he is keen to keep our class library neat and tidy

**Year 2 - Florence** - Showing excellent independence in class

**Year 3 - Lydia** - For being a good friend, working collaboratively to complete tasks without  
lots of help from Mrs Harding and Miss Earp!

**Year 4 - Rosie** - For working so well independently with her handwriting and  
creating personification for her poem

## House Points Total

**WILLOW**

**19**

**ASH**

**13**

**SYCAMORE**

**19**

**OAK**

**15**



27th Sept - After School Clubs begin

22nd Sept - FUSS AGM 8pm The Oak

29th Sept- 1.30pm Open Afternoon

1st Oct - Harvest

5th Oct - Whole School Hike

11th Oct - Flu - Nasal Spray whole school (letter to parents 10/8)

12th Oct - 9.30am Open Morning

**20th Oct - Pershore Rugby Tournament (8 players only Year 3/4)**

20th Oct - Parents Consultations 1pm - 6pm

**October Half Term - 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021**

1st Nov - Teacher Training Day - school closed to children

3rd Nov - 6pm Open Evening

9th Nov - Bags2Schools - clothes recycling collection

19th Nov - BBC Children in Need

**6th Dec - Last week of afterschool clubs**

17th Dec - Last day of term

**\* New or Amended Dates are in red**



## After School Clubs - Start 27th September - 10th December 2021

You will be able to book after school clubs from Monday evening when they will go live online via Schoolmoney. There will be limited spaces, and please remember to tick the consent box.

**Monday - Multi Sports for Years 3 - 4** (Miss Clarke) £3.00 per session

**Tuesday - Arts & Crafts for Years 1 - 4** (Mrs Maggs) flyer emailed to parents £6 per session including materials

**Thursday - Yoga for Years 1 - 4** (Miss Lewis) £0.20 per session

**Thursday - First Aid** (Miss Earp) £0.20 per session



### Thank you from All the Staff and Children at USFS

"Mrs Wadsworth, has kindly received a donation for our outdoor learning/ Forest School area. The donation of a very creative outdoor fire role play area has kindly been made by Sandra Hillman on behalf of her late mother Margaret House. Margaret had a wonderfully creative mind and her garden reflected this and it was like real-life 'Alice in Wonderland' scene. This was just one of the many creations she made with her daughter Sandra and we are sure that this will be used and appreciated by all the children in their imaginative and creative outdoor learning. A huge 'Thank you' Margaret and Sandra from all at Upton Snodsbury School!"

### MISSING PROPERTY

Could we please ask you all to check to see whether you have mistakenly taken home a dressing up costume. It's a blue and white dress with a pearl and diamond trim, tiara and a fur gilet. All contained in a Tesco carrier bag and may have gone home with swimming bags or end of year production kits. If you do come across it please hand it into the school office.

### FUSS - AGM - Wednesday 22nd September

The FUSS Annual General meeting will take place on  
Wednesday 22nd September at 8pm at The Oak.

### BAGS 2 SCHOOLS - 9th November 2021

Why not have a clear out during October half-term, as Bags2school will be collecting from the school playground on the above date.

For the time being parents are being asked to use black recycling bags.



Upton Snodsbury C of E First School—Private Facebook Page

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