

Ubley C of E Primary School

Newsletter 19th June 2026



Diary Dates

23rd June – summer reading challenge assembly

24th June – Year 6 leavers service Wells Cathedral, packed lunch needed.

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

SPORTS COUNCIL FUNRUN!

WE ARE RAISING FOR A CHARITY CALLED:

FAMILY FUND

VISIT FAMILY FUND .ORG TO VISIT THE WEBSITE



FRIDAY 3rd JULY. £3 TO ENTER!

MEDAL FOR ALL FINISHERS

Celebration Assembly

These children received perseverance awards this week:

Otter Class – Francesca for always practicing her spellings at home and applying the spellings in her writing.

Squirrel Class – Caelan for always trying his best and never giving up.

Hedgehog Class – Arabella for encouraging others and supporting friends.



Caring, Capable and Confident

Otter Class – Uliana for working hard and completing tasks on time.

Squirrel Class – Chloe for always being caring and capable in lessons.

Hedgehog Class – Scarlett for being caring and showing constant kindness to friends and adults.



School library

Year 3 had a great time chilling in the library this week.
A big thank you to all the parents who have donated games, books and puzzles.
We are always on the look out for more.



Well done to Atti and Kit



Congratulations to Kit and Atti who took part in the Mini Burn race, which involved running, cycling and kayaking. They very proudly showed the school their medals in assembly and talked about what they had to do.

Congratulations to George who shared his grading certificate from Taekwondo, he was awarded the white belt green stripe,

Francesca shared her end of season medal for football



Ready, respectful and safe

Rosa, Isla and Maggie enjoyed a special treat with Mr Harvey for always being ready, respectful and safe.



Doodle Maths

Congratulations to Otter Class who won the trophy this week.

1st place – Otter Class with 592 stars

2nd place – Squirrels with 235 stars

3rd place – Hedgehogs with 78 stars

Francesca collected the trophy on behalf of the class as she met her weekly target.



Book reviews

Thank you to Bea and Uliana for their review of *The Beast of Buckingham Palace* and Dominic's review of *How to Ride a Dragon Storm*.



House points this week

These will be rolled over to next week.

PTA uniform sale

There 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

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



CHANGES TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS

GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS



LIGHTHOUSE
SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP



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

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>

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

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