



Upton Primary Newsletter

28th March 2019

Upton-upon-Severn CofE Primary, Nursery and Pre School and Riverboats SureStart Children's Centre, working together to support the local community

**Our School Vision is to offer inspiration to young lives
'Anything is possible, we can all succeed'
'To inspire ... To aspire'**

Bible quote for this week:

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

[Proverbs 22:6](#)



SUSTRANS BIG PEDAL PLEASE SUPPORT US WITH THIS

Use human power to get to school - Cycle, walk or scoot to school next week.

From Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April, the whole school will be taking part in the BIG PEDAL 2019! We are really looking forward to this active event it is the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking and scooting challenge inspiring pupils, staff and parents to choose human power for their journey to school. For the first time, walking will be counted alongside cycling and scooting. Scooters can be left securely on the playground and bikes can be left locked in the bike racks.

Don't forget - bike maintenance available on Monday 1st April. Rachel Vann, the Physical Activity and Wellbeing Officer for Malvern Hills, will be offering a Dr Bike session to carry out vital checks to all bikes. The cost for this will be £3 per bike checked. Payment can be made on the day (exact cash please as no change held in school).

iSingPop

iSingPOP is a primary school music project that brings together school, church and community. Children are given the opportunity to record their very own album and perform a live concert in the local church. This week we have been fortunate enough, with the support of St Peter and St Paul Church and our Friends Association, to have been able to have this project in our school. This has been led by Shell Perris who works for the iSingPop organisation. She is also one of our school Governors and a parent. The whole community have come together for this event and, on Friday afternoon, we held the first of two concerts singing the seven songs which we had learnt all week. The impact was dramatic. It is extremely moving to hear children's voices singing together and it was very clear that everyone who attended enjoyed it immensely.

Usually, at this time of year, we hold our Mother's Day singing service but the opportunity to hold the iSingPop concert could not be missed and the songs reflect our Christian values.



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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

We are officially about to launch into our summertime hours so do not forget to put your clocks forward one hour this weekend.

STAFF TRAINING

The TAs had some maths training today with Miss Ludlow and Mrs Moroni. They specifically looked at dyscalculia and the challenges that this brings to some children. They explored some of the resources that the school has that we can use both in class and in intervention to support the children and improve their conceptual understanding of number.



MODEL CLUB

After Easter we are planning on running a model club for KS2 children which will help support them with their spatial awareness and cognitive skills. According to the National Toy Council, model building and construction will foster spatial play and nurture a child's dexterity, as well as other cognitive skills such as planning, problem solving and logical thinking.

However, we are going to need a little support from our parents if possible. If anyone has any old Lego kits, K'nex, or unused Airfix models that they could donate to us to enable us to build up a resource bank to support this club we would be very grateful to receive donations.

BELL BOATING

As we approach the end of the Spring term it has been very positive to see the change in the weather and a drop in the river levels. The lighter evenings we have after the Easter holiday enables us to return to our bell boating activities. Both the bell boats are currently out of the water and you will probably have seen them on the far side of the playground in their winter spots. The hulls of the boats need a good clean prior to them being returned to the water. If anyone feels they could help in getting the boats in 'ship shape' condition ready for the bell boating season please contact the office and let them know of your availability.



Hayden (Year 6) for a brilliant piece of writing about Charles Darwin.

He will be invited to a Headteacher's tea party.

DATES FOR DIARY

EASTER SERVICE

Friday 12th April at 9.30am in Upton Parish Church

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING CLASS ASSEMBLY

Year 4 - Wednesday 3rd April at 2.30pm

Year 6 - Friday 5th April at 2.30pm

We look forward to warmly welcoming your family and friends to your child's class assembly.

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