



# Upton Primary Newsletter

17th May 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:

But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.

[Chronicles 15:7](#)

## YEAR 6 SATS

Congratulations to Year 6 who have been taking their SATs this week. All the children were calm and relaxed throughout the tests and did their best. These tests are designed to show the progress children have made throughout Key Stage 2.

In the afternoons the children enjoyed lots of rounders and art and had a relaxed end to every day. They were also very excited about their Forest School day at Clive's Fruit Farm today.

## JON THE POTTER

On Tuesday Jon the Potter joined Years 3 and 4 for a dragon making workshop. At the start Jon showed the children how to make the models - making the body hollow and ensuring that there is an air hole in the model to stop it from exploding. Once the children got started they had to split their clay into four parts: two parts were for the main part which had to be hollow, one part was for decoration and the final part was for the base.



All the children had an amazing time making their dragons, each one looked fantastic.

We would like to thank Jon the Potter for coming to school and making the dragons with them. More information about Jon the Potter and his work can be seen by visiting his website: [www.eastnorpottery.co.uk](http://www.eastnorpottery.co.uk)

## RIVERBOATS HOLIDAY CLUB

Our May half-term holiday club is filling up quickly, so if you are looking for a space for your child please do get in touch! Email: [riverboats@uptonuponsevern.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:riverboats@uptonuponsevern.worcs.sch.uk)

May half-term activities:

- Tuesday 28th - Forest School
- Wednesday 29th - Slime
- Thursday 30th - Picnic (children will not need a full packed lunch, just a few small items, such as crisps, fruit, snack bar, to accompany the picnic we will make.)
- Friday 31st - Cooking

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### EARLY YEARS MATHS WORKSHOP

River Room, Nursery and Reception class enjoyed a maths workshop after school on Thursday to show the progression through Early Years. We played lots of games and had fun learning about numbers, shapes and measures.



We would like to thank all those parents who attended this and, as always, appreciate your support.

### CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

- Years 1 and 2 - Thursday 6th June at 2.00pm
- Years 3 and 4 - Wednesday 5th June at 9.00am
- Years 5 and 6 - Date to follow

### 54 IDEAS FOR PARENTS TO GET WORCESTERSHIRE TALKING

In our Newsletter of 15th February we gave the first 5 ideas to enhance children's communication skills. There are 54 ideas in total and, each week, we will publish 5 more of these:

6. **Stop the DVD.** Before you play a DVD tell all the viewers that you will be stopping it at some point. Choose a really exciting time to stop it. Ask everyone to guess what they think will happen next. Why do they think that?
7. **Explore your local library.** As well as books they will have tapes and events to develop speaking and listening. Your nearest library is in Upton-upon-Severn and is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.30am to 4.30pm and Saturdays from 9.30am to 1.00pm.
8. **'I spy'.** 'I spy' is a familiar game, but it is great for learning language and phonics as well as filling in time on journeys. On the bus or in the car one player looks around and thinks of one item. He /she then gives a clue 'I spy with my little eye, something beginning with (and says letter). All other players guess the item. Give 'I spy' a twist by giving a clue as well as the traditional letter. Like this, 'I spy with my little eye a food that starts with an 's'.'
9. **Favourite movie.** Ask your child to retell a favourite movie. If this is too long, start on something simpler like a favourite story book. Does it have a beginning, middle and end? Can you follow what they are talking about? You can prompt by drawing pictures of the main characters and using these to act out some scenes.
10. **Advice.** Talking is important. It is closely linked to reading, writing and learning. Did you know that research shows that spoken language abilities at 5 years of age predict their reading at 15? By playing simple speaking and listening games you may not think you are developing reading and writing, but you are. Get talking!

### MATHS CURRICULUM

Our website contains some useful information and links to help your child at home with our maths curriculum. These can be found under 'Parent Info', 'Curriculum Key Areas'.

### PAYMENT4SCHOOLS

Please ensure that, when making payments online, the correct item is selected and that you do not pay for any other trip/event under that selected item.

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**HEADLICE**

We have had some cases of head lice in school over this term. May we please remind you to check your child's head on a weekly basis. Also, if your child has shoulder length hair or longer, that this is tied up at all times.

**STAFF TRAINING**

Over the last few weeks staff have been doing lots of internal moderation and external training to ensure our judgements about writing in Early Years and Years 2 to 6 are accurate.

**School Discos Tonight - Friday 17th May**

All children from Years 1 to 6 **MUST** wait with an adult up to 6.45pm before being let in by The Friends and staff members.

**Bake Off Competition**

The last two classes will be holding their cake sales next week at school pick up as follows:

- Thursday 23rd May - Year 5
- Friday 24th May - Year 6

**Summer Fete - Bottle Stall Donations**

Friday 24th May - Non uniform day & bring a bottle which can be anything from shampoo to champagne! Please can the children take them directly to the Friends shed on the school field where members of the Friends will be there to take them and store them. No glass bottles for children on the bus please.

**Mello Festival Tickets** - Thank you to everybody who bid for these, they raised £70 for the Friends.

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# COMMUNITY

# COUCH TO 5K



More than just running

COUCH TO 5K	LOCATION	DATE	TIME
<p><b>Ideal for beginners and the perfect way to get active.</b></p> <p><i>£25 for 12 week programme - 1 session per week</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full training plan</li> <li>UKA qualified leader</li> </ul> <p>To check availability and book your place please email: <a href="mailto:getactive@malvern hills.gov.uk">getactive@malvern hills.gov.uk</a> or call tel: 01684 862475</p>	<p><b>Upton Primary School</b> School Ln, Upton upon Severn, Worcester WR8 0LD</p>	<p><b>Starting Tuesday</b> <b>21 May</b> <b>2019</b></p>	<p><b>9-10am</b></p>
	<p><b>Malvern Town Football Club</b> Langland Stadium, Langland Ave, Malvern WR14 2EQ</p>	<p><b>Starting Thursday</b> <b>23 May</b> <b>2019</b></p>	<p><b>10-11am</b></p>

