



Upton Primary Newsletter

7th June 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:

Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.

Corinthians 16:13

SPORTS DAY - FRIDAY 21st JUNE

We are delighted to give you information about this year's sports day.

After our successful sports day last year we are staying with the same format and splitting the day into Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. In this way children have the minimum amount of time to wait and the maximum time participating in sporting activities.



The timings are as follows:

- Reception and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) in the morning from 10.30am to 12.00pm
- Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) in the afternoon from 1.00pm to 3.00pm

During the lunchbreak, from 12.00pm to 1.00pm, we are inviting all parents/carers to come along for a bring-your-own picnic on the school field. The access for this will be through the double gates in Price's Lane, which will be open from 12.00pm and closed at 1.00pm for the start of our Key Stage 2 sports events. Your children will be able to join you for the picnic. Hot lunches will still be available and any child booked in for a hot lunch will eat this in the dinner hall and join you on the field afterwards.

NSPCC STAY SAFE PROGRAMME

On Tuesday Kia and Sarah from the NSPCC came to the school to talk to the children about the work they do including explaining how they support children and their families who need help. We would like to support the NSPCC, as we have so successfully done in previous years, and hope you will be able to help your child collect sponsors in advance of their sponsored event on Thursday 13th June.

Please return any sponsor forms and money to the school by Wednesday 19th June.

There is also a letter attached giving details of a parent workshop that the NSPCC are holding at this school on Thursday 13th June at 9.00am. If you are able to attend this please contact the school office.



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LEAVER'S PHOTOS

Tempest Photography will be attending school on the morning of Thursday 13th June to take photos of the Year 6 and Pre School leavers.

54 IDEAS FOR PARENTS TO GET WORCESTERSHIRE TALKING

16. Team topic. On the bus or in the car think of a topic and see how many things you can come up with as a team in a set time. A minute might be enough. You can choose any topic but here are some ideas for inspiration: 'living things, things with wheels, things with circles or things made of metal.'
17. What's the same and what's different? Choose a topic that your child is interested in and ask them select two items from that topic. Can they say what same and different about two things is? For instance: from Toy Story they could compare Buzz Light-Year and Woody or from Harry Potter it could be Sirius and Voldemort.
18. Listening advice. Concentrating on one thing at a time helps your child to learn to listen better. Too much competing noise makes it harder for your child to listen to anything. If your child is on the computer do they also need the TV on? Encourage your child to plan what they watch on TV.
19. Change the story. Take turns to tell well known stories with your child, but make small changes to the story and see where that takes you. Change the character, the setting or the ending. You might have 'Big red riding hood' or 'Goldilocks and the three kittens.' What would big red riding hood do to the wolf? What would Daddy kitten do when he saw Goldilocks in his bed? What would his voice sound like?
20. Noisy treasure hunt. This is good for practising listening. In another room hide something that makes a noise such as an old clock that makes a ticking noise. Ask your child to find the object. An alternative is to set a quiet ring tone on your mobile, hide it and then call it from another phone.



HEADTEACHERS AWARDS

Daisey, Martin and Morgan (Year 6) for their best writing this year on a film called Alma. Outstanding!

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

YEARS 3 AND 4 CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

On Wednesday, Years 3 and 4 invited their parents into school to share learning from their most recent topic 'Paper dragons and red rabbits' The classes worked really hard to create a walking museum where each child had work to share or present. Some of the examples of work were 'How to make a clay dragon' or a retelling of the story of 'Lin Yi's Lantern'. The children enjoyed this opportunity a great deal, particularly the 'ask the parents section'.

YEARS 1 AND 2 CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

On Thursday afternoon Years 1 and 2 completed an orienteering challenge on the school field and playground, assisted by their parents. They hunted for clues which each revealed a letter and then had to use the letters to find a mystery word.

Lots of fun was had by all and we would like to thank the parents for supporting this.

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YEARS 3 AND 4 TASTING EXPERIENCE

On Friday, as a culmination of their learning about China and the Shang Dynasty, Years 3 and 4 had the experience of tasting some Chinese foods.



They were able to taste prawn crackers, sweet chill sauce, egg noodles, rice noodles, egg fried rice, bamboo shoots and vegetable spring rolls. The children all thoroughly enjoyed this experience and had some super discussions about the different tastes and textures of the food.

Year 3 and 4 would like to thank Mrs Nation for coming in and helping the classes with the food tasting.

QINETIQ CHALLENGE

On Friday Lily, Adam and Oscar from Year 5 went to Qinetiq in Malvern to take part in the STEM Challenge final from which they were picked to do when they took part in the STEM challenge at school in May. They were set two challenges throughout the day, the first was to draw a robot using a Lego Mindstorms robot and the second was to programme the Lego robot to move around the zig zag track.

They worked well together to achieve good results for each activity and Mrs Moroni was proud of the way they conducted themselves throughout the day.

Thank you to Mrs Sam Dodd for her help on the day.



Summer Fete - Friday 14th June 5.00pm to 7.00pm

We are really looking forward to seeing you, your friends and families next Friday at our Summer Fete! Please come and help us raise lots of money for our school. Entry is free and there are lots of fun activities and stalls with many prizes to be won. Hot dogs, cakes, ice pops and hot and cold drinks will all be on sale.

Here are just some of the things we have planned:

Bouncy Slide - Speed Gun Races - Football - Lucky Dip - Hook a Duck - Bottle Stall - Pick a Lolly - Sand Sifting - Bric a Brac - Glitter Face Paints - Crazy Hair - Splat the Rat - Washing Line Game - Sweetie Tombola - Coconut Shy - Second Hand Uniform - Plant Stall - Neals Yard - Flamingo Paperie Cards - Upton Doctors Surgery - Police - Fire Engine (unless called out).



Silent Auction

You are also invited to bid for lots in our Silent Auction which closes during the Fete on Friday 14th (at 6.00pm) and the winners will be announced before the end of the Fete. The Silent Auction has some amazing prizes up for grabs, the letter is attached to this email and has also been sent home in book bags. All proceeds from the auction go directly to the Friends.

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Cakes and Bric-a-Brac

Please send all donations of cakes for the refreshments and bric-a-brac (in good used condition) into school next Friday on the morning of the Fete.

Fete Helpers

If you have not already volunteered but are able to spare some time to help either setting up from 1.30pm or manning a stand between 5.00pm and 7.00pm please let your Class Rep or a member of the Friends committee know. Even if it is only for half an hour, every little bit helps!

Thank You!

Disco - This raised a fantastic £472.69. Thank you to everybody who supported this through attending or helping.

Bake Off Cake Sale - The Y5 and Y6 cake sales raised £171.27 between them bringing the overall total to an incredible £519.68. Well done everybody. We will be shortly announcing the winning class!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Positive Parenting Programme

Triple P is a parenting programme, but it doesn't tell you how to be a parent. It's more like a toolbox of ideas. You choose the strategies you need. You choose the way you want to use them. It's all about making Triple P work for you.



Teen Triple P helps you:

- Raise happy, confident children
- Manage difficult behaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life more
- Set rules and routines that everyone respects and follows
- Encourage positive behaviour
- Take care of yourself as a parent
- Feel confident that you're doing the right thing

Date: Monday 10th June 2019 (6 Weeks)
Time: 1pm until 3pm
Venue: Riverboats Children's Centre, Upton, Price's Ln, Worcs, WR8 0LY

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Free Family Friendly Bike Ride

Worcester Cycle Sunday 2019

SUNDAY JUNE 9TH 2019
 10:30-12:30 • @PITCHCROFT RACECOURSE






This is a FREE traffic free cycling for all the family around Worcester's beautiful Riverside Parks. Join them for National Bike week at Pitchcroft on Sunday 9th June between 10.30am and 12.30pm, for a family friendly bike ride around the Riverside Parks. Plus skill challenges, mini grass track racing, guided rides and children's cycle games – all run by local cycle clubs – Worcester St John's Cycling Club, Women on Wheels. All ages and all types of bikes welcome. No need to register simply turn up.

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