



# Upton Primary Newsletter

20th 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:

Everyone helps his neighbour and says to his brother, "Be strong!"

Isiah 41:6

## **SPORTS DAY - RECEPTION to YEAR 6**

We look forward to seeing you all at our sports day tomorrow (Friday 21st June).

- Reception and KS1 children are to wear their PE kits and coloured t-shirt to school and will stay in this all day.
- KS2 children are to come in uniform and have their PE kits and plain coloured t-shirt in school to change into.

Please also make sure your child has a water bottle. Entrance will be through the gates to the school field on Price's Lane.

**Avon**

**Severn**

**Teme**

**Wye**

## **SPORTS DAY PROGRAMME**

### **Reception and Key Stage 1**

*(All times will be approximate)*

10.30am - Obstacle races

10.50am - Egg and Spoon race

11.15am - Sprint

11.30am - Parents race

**Results announced**

PICNIC LUNCH 12.00pm to 1.00pm

### **Key Stage 2**

*(All times will be approximate)*

1.15pm - Throwing events (shot put and Javelin)

1.40pm - Class obstacle races

2.00pm - Distance races

2.30pm - Sprint races

2.40pm - Relay race

2.50pm - Parents race

**Results announced**

Thank you for supporting our teams and sports day

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**BELLOBOATING REGATTA - SATURDAY 29th JUNE - 12.30pm**

This year's Bellboating Regatta will be taking place at the Tewkesbury Marina. Teams of children from Years 4 to 6 are needed for this Regatta and it would be lovely to have as many children as possible at this event.



We will also be entering the parent/teacher race. This event is a very enjoyable occasion and the atmosphere at Tewkesbury Marina, by the River Avon, is happy and relaxed.

**ALIVE**

Last Sunday Mrs Moroni accompanied 25 children from Reception to Year 5 to the first Alive family worship concert, which was organised and led by Shell Perris. The children sang and danced to songs from ISingPop on stage with the ISingPop band. They had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thanks go to Shell for providing this opportunity for our children, and to the parents who came and supported Mrs Moroni on the day.

**ROYAL THREE COUNTIES SHOW**

Last Friday, Year 3 went to the show for the day. The children took part in an orchid planting workshop and all took home a young orchid plant to grow. They saw farm animals, vintage engines (including Rupert's grandad's collection!) and dogs performing agility manoeuvres. They made bees from miniature fir cones and listened to a bee keeper's talk. The children even sang some impromptu songs on the Diocese performance stand. Such a busy day!

The weather could have been considerably kinder, but we were wrapped up against the rain, and had a most memorable day. Mrs Moroni and Miss Tolladay would like to thank our lovely band of parents who helped on the day and went home as tired as the children!

**PUZZLEWOOD**

On Wednesday the Reception class had an amazing trip to Puzzlewood. This magical wood ignited some great ideas that the children shared with the staff and they have written about today. One question was, 'What would you find through the magical door?'

Answers included - A dinosaur world, a unicorn world and being transported into a book.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and it was excellent that members of the public commented on their impeccable behaviour.

We would also like to thank the parents who helped with this fun day.



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## NSPCC

Thank you to all those who sponsored the children for their NSPCC activities and we can confirm that we raised a total of:

**£580.47**

The NSPCC states that:

"Child abuse is preventable, not inevitable. That's why, every day, the NSPCC work to protect children, prevent abuse and make child abuse a thing of the past. As the UK's leading children's charity fighting to end child abuse, the NSPCC have remained committed to this mission for over 100 years.

But all this is only possible with public support. As an independent charity, which receives around 90% of its funding from supporters, they rely on the support of people like you to make sure we can keep every child who needs us safe. Every pound raised and every penny received will help make sure we can reach more children."

If you would like to learn more about the NSPCC or make a donation, please see their website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/about-us/>

## SINGING DAY

Next Thursday afternoon Year 4 and our KS2 choir will join classes of children from Eldersfield and Hanley Swan primary schools when we host a singing day. The children will form a joint choir and rehearse through the morning, with a concert in the church at 2.00pm, to which you are warmly invited to attend.



## OPEN THE BOOK

On Tuesday 9th July, to mark 20 years of Open the Book, there will be a special service for all children from Reception to Year 6 in the Church, to which you are invited.

Our Open the Book team, led by Chris Lamb, has prepared an assembly which is longer than usual and this will be held in St Peter and St Paul's church.

We hope you can join us.

## 54 IDEAS FOR PARENTS TO GET WORCESTERSHIRE TALKING

26. Alphabet lists. Choose a category, it might be something like clothes, food or TV programmes. Then choose a letter. See how many words you can think of from that category that start with the target letter. E.g.: clothes starting with 's': scarf, socks, sweatshirt.
27. What does it do? This is another game for journeys: one player calls out an object that they see and the next person has to think of 5 things that it can do / be done with it. For instance: 'tree' climb, chop, grow, fall down, and absorb carbon dioxide. If you are stuck in doors you can look around you or in books and play the same activity.
28. Big brain. 'Big brain' is a variation on 'I spy' but rather than seeing something you need to think of an object and the letter it starts with. Great for playing when you are waiting somewhere. For instance: 'I think with my big brain something that is cold starts with an 'l''. 'Is it ice?' 'No.' Can you guess what it is?
29. Do some acting. Take in turns to act out some simple scenarios like getting a pretend present, falling over and hurting your knee, running late for work / school or finding that your bike is missing. Really emphasise body

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language, facial expressions as well as what to say. Lots of phones have video recording, so it is fun to play them back as well.

30. Get out and about. Exploring London will give you and your child lots to talk about as well as lots of time to play the speaking and listening games on the journey. Take photos of your trip so that your child can talk to others when you get back. If no one is home when you get back, give someone else a call so your child can talk to them.



### **SUMMER FETE AND SILENT AUCTION**

Together these raised an amazing: **£1,012.84!**

Thank you to everybody who came along, lots of fun was had by all and a special mention to all those who volunteered their time to help whether setting up or running a stall, it is very much appreciated. We even had a visit from the Police ... though fortunately this was planned and lots of children had a chance to sit in the Police Car and test out the siren!

### **RAGS 2 RICHES**

Our next collection will be on Thursday 4th July, please start to put aside any old clothes you do not want any more and bags will be sent home nearer the time.

### **BAHOO SHOE VOUCHER**

Bahoo, a Malvern shoe shop have very kindly donated a £20 voucher to the Friends which just missed our Silent Auction, so we are auctioning it off separately. It is valid until 31st August, so perfect for summer shoes or back to school shoes! We are asking for sealed bids by Friday 28th June. (Please put name and bid in a sealed envelope marked 'Bahoo Silent Auction' and send into school.)

# COMMUNITY

## ESOL for Parents & Grandparents

A course to help parents of nursery, pre-school and school children that speak English as a second language to understand key words, complete letters and forms from school, understand their child's homework, support their child's integration into education and support their own English speaking.

**9.30am – 11.30am every Thursday**

**Fairfield Centre, Carnforth Drive,  
Warndon, WR4 9HG**

**Starts 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 for 12 weeks**

Course is **FREE** if you earn less than £15,700 per year or you are  
Unemployed

To book this course search "ESOL" at  
[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses)

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