



Upton Primary Newsletter

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'
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. *Philippians 4:13*

1st July 2022

WEEKLY BIBLE QUOTE

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation

Isaiah 12:3

SEVERN TRENT WATER ASSEMBLY

We welcomed the team from Severn Trent and GEDA Construction who are working in this area on all the improvements that are taking place around Upton. We had an instructional and exciting presentation in which nine volunteers from Year 6 participated to ensure our children fully understand the different aspects of Severn Trent's Water. It was explained to the children how important it is to stay fully hydrated and what we can all do to look after our environment. We look forward to welcoming Severn Trent back during the next academic year and working with GEDA Construction in 2023 to assist in planting some trees in our local area.



GEDA Construction kindly donated £200 to our school and our thanks go to them for this lovely token of generosity.

UPTON JAZZ FESTIVAL

Our choir sang on the riverfront to officially open the Upton Jazz Festival on Saturday morning. We walked through Upton with our umbrellas up and lots of people joined us as the children sang on stage at The Swan. The choir had been billed as 'Upton's Rising Stars' and this is what we are going to call our school choir from now on! They sang really well, with enthusiasm and enjoyment, and Mrs Wills and Mrs Moroni received many positive comments. Our thanks go to John Holloway, who accompanied us, and Chris Lamb for lending us her keyboard, as well as the jazz organisers. Millie and Naomi won the umbrella competition, with all the entries looking fantastic.



JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

The children of Key Stage Two are performing the musical 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' on Tuesday 5th July at 1.30pm and 5.30pm and Wednesday 6th July at 5.30pm in the School Hall. This will be the first time that Key Stage 2 will have been able to perform in front of an audience in recent years.

Tickets are available to order at £3.00 per person (if you have not already ordered any). Tickets will not be needed for siblings of children performing in the show during the school day. The show will last approximately 45 minutes. **NO PHOTOGRAPHS OR FILMING** will be allowed. We hope to see you there.



YEAR 6 ENTERPRISE FAIR

On Thursday 7th July, Year 6 will be holding the annual Enterprise Fair. The Enterprise Fair is led by the year 6 children; sourcing, budgeting and promoting the goods they wish to sell, with all profits being used towards school resources for the forthcoming year.

On sale this year is a vast variety of goods, from baked goodies, slap bands, stationery and keyrings to name but a few things. Items on sale range in price from 50p to £2.50. All children in school will have the opportunity to see the goods on sale as part of the Enterprise fair. If you would like your children to bring in money to spend at the Enterprise Fair, please ensure your child brings their money into school on Tuesday 12th July.

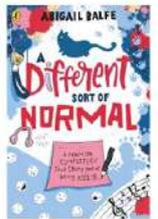
FOCUS ON READING

Find out which books teachers think are best.

The longlist for top books has been released for 2022!



"This is another wonderful longlist, a gorgeous selection of books that deserve to be celebrated. The only awards to be judged entirely by teachers, the UKLA Awards are a special thing, ensuring that the teacher judges can share the books with their classes and really find out first-hand what engages, delights, educates and inspires. The awards are equally valuable for parents looking to support the school environment and further encourage reading for pleasure. We are excited to see which books shine through this year, but they are all stars!"
Deborah Maclaren Managing Director of LoveReading.



To see the full list and also lots of other book lists split into age groups, please follow this link:

<https://www.lovereadingschools.co.uk/blog/book-award-news/ukla-book-awards-2022-6087>

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

THE MOORINGS

We have had another busy week in The Moorings. Some of the children have made pitta pizzas. Bingo has been a popular game this week and the children have also enjoyed creating their own maps.



NURSERY

As we approach the last few weeks in nursery before the summer, we wanted to remind ourselves about how amazing we all are. So, each day we pick a name out of our magic stick cup and see who will be the star of the day. Whoever is chosen has the responsibility of helping peers with daily tasks including snack time and lining-up time. This week has also seen us creating our own perfume ready to take on holiday with us with natural resources being used to create a beautiful scent!



RECEPTION

This week in Reception class we have been practising for our sports day, reading the story of 'Billy's Bucket', writing fabulous sentences and enjoying the activities in the indoor and outdoor classroom.



YEAR ONE

This week, Year 1 explored 'Traction Man meets TurboDog' further. We decided to have a class debate to argue whether or not Scrubbing Brush should be put in the bin. The class thought of some excellent arguments and expressed them really clearly. In art, we have been printing using objects around the classroom and paint. The children really enjoyed this and demonstrated new skills learnt.



YEAR TWO

This week, Year 2 went bug hunting! We found so many creepy crawlies around school and were amazed at where some were living. Our garden is really taking shape and many of the plants we put in are now thriving.



In English we focussed on writing a story which contained a secret, we compared our two books 'The Night Gardener' and 'The Secret Sky Garden' to inspire our ideas.

YEARS THREE, FOUR, FIVE AND SIX

This week children in Key Stage 2 have been busy rehearsing for the play of 'Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat'. Some of the children from Key Stage 2 have put together some words to explain what they have done and what they are looking forward to sharing:

“We will be performing a play and it will be great! We have chosen this play because it has really catchy songs and is one of the school’s favourites. We haven’t been able to do it for a few years due to the pandemic so we’re really excited. Rehearsals are going amazing. It has come together so quickly and the teachers and pupils are really proud of the production and can’t wait to share it with you.”



RSE Day (which stands for Relationships and Sex Education) is an annual event that occurs on the last Thursday of June and encourages parents, teachers, carers and educators to talk openly about relationships and sex education with their children. RSE Day is about celebrating the role everyone has in Relationships and Sex Education including schools, families and communities. RSE Day encourages us all to talk about these topics openly.

There is a different theme every year, and the theme for RSE Day 2022 is "Celebrating Differences - Everyone Can Sparkle!"

It is incredibly important to have good quality conversations about relationships and sex education all year round, but an annual RSE Day is a good start!

When children are comfortable talking about relationships and sex education, it has a very positive impact on their life. Good quality conversations about RSE help to keep children safe, improves their communication, increases everyone's understanding of sex and relationships and improves their self-esteem and confidence. Attached are some ideas to support conversations at home.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE - 5 THINGS YOU CAN DO

WHEN A CHILD'S SPEECH IS UNCLEAR

Some children take a little longer to be able to produce sounds clearly, and can be hard to understand. Here are 5 things you can do if a child's speech is unclear:

If you have any concerns about your child's communication skills, please phone or email the school office, and I will call you back on my next visit to school. You can also contact me directly on 01562 752749.

Keren Somers (Speech and Language Therapist)

5 things that will help you understand them!

Watch as well as listen!
Their face will give you extra clues



Ask them to SHOW you if they can..

Reduce the background noise – it will make it easier to understand them!

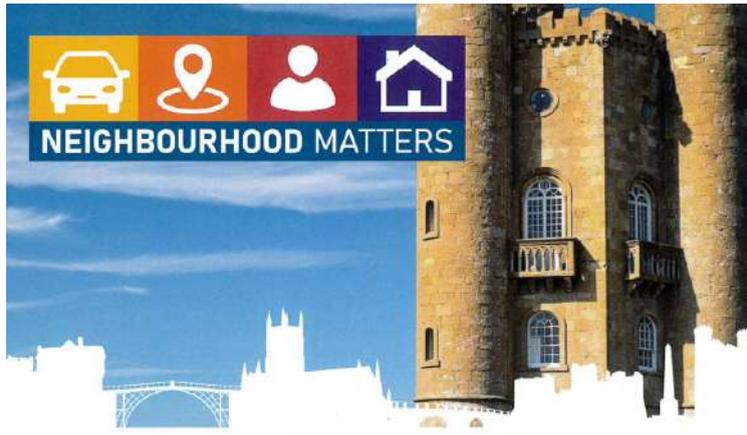
Apologise and ask them to say it again – hearing it a second time helps!

Good communication between school and home helps. Knowing what they have been up helps you guess what they are talking about!



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COMMUNITY



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You can choose exactly what type of alert you wish to receive and how you receive them and how often.

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Kids Kapers Summer Club 2022

25th July - 19th August
9am - 5pm

£25 per child per day
Breakfast Club 8am - 9.am
£2.50 per child per day



Come and join us this summer for some fun and exciting activities including arts and crafts, baking, dodgeball, games, team challenges, football, rounders and so much more!

Contact us for details!

**Please Complete and return the consent form on our website
WWW.Kidskapers.biz**

**For details please contact Kids Kapers, Sarah Fletcher - 07773 484171
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