



# Upton Noble News

Friday 22nd November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all have had a pleasant and relaxing half term, it was lovely to welcome the children back.

During the first week the majority of our Year 6 pupils developed their cycling skills in order to pass their cycling proficiency test. They spent two days developing their knowledge and understanding in riding safely on the roads. Congratulations goes to all of them for passing and demonstrating a high level of skill in riding their bikes safely on the road.



Congratulations also goes to all our cross-country runners who represented the school in the 2<sup>nd</sup> race of the season at Downside. Stamina and resilience were demonstrated by all as this course is particularly challenging. Everyone should be immensely proud of themselves and we look forward to the next event at. Thank you to all our parents for your support with this.



Last Monday we held our Remembrance service outside St Mary's church. Our Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputies and our Year 6 Collective Worship group played key roles in this event. We held a 2 minutes silence after Mrs Prichard played the Last Post on her clarinet. Thank you to Reverend Helen for joining us in commemorating this event.

Thank you to Mrs Haygreen for bringing Jubilant, the calf into school to show Acorn Class and thank you to Zara for being an expert handler. Last Friday Acorn class really enjoyed learning about Jubilant and stroking her. We were all surprised by her long hair- her winter coat ready for the cold weather.



Last Friday each class brought in change to try and create Pugsley's face for children in need. At first glance we were unsure whether we would cover the area with coins, however the generosity of everyone meant that we covered the design Miss Lane created. The money raised for this was £101.72, £98 was received for wearing mufti therefore the grand total raised was £199.72. The school council also decided that each class should set themselves a chal-

lenge as the theme this year was "challenge yourself." The challenges varied across classes. For example: The length of time being silent to how many laps could be completed in a set time and how many star jumps could be completed in a specific time. Each class successfully beat their first attempt. Well done to everyone.





On Monday our netball players competed at King Arthurs in a netball tournament involving many of the local primary schools. Miss Yeo was very impressed with the sportsmanship shown during the event and the children were fantastic sporting role models. Congratulations go to the whole team for their incredible effort.

We look forward to seeing the parents of Maple Class next Thursday for their family learning morning. Mrs Baker has an exciting morning planned in store for everyone which will require people's designing and making skills. We are looking forward to seeing everyone getting creative.

Over the next few weeks Acorn, Elm and Willow will be busy rehearsing in preparation for their Nativity performances and Key Stage 2 will be preparing for their Carols by Candlelight event. We look forward to seeing you all at these events and seeing our children shine.

In the mean time we wish everyone a lovely weekend.

*Mrs Bisset and Mrs House*

  <b>CERTIFICATE ACHIEVERS</b>   <b>'LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE'</b>	
<b>CHRISTIAN VALUES</b>	<b>Creative Thinker</b>
<b>Acorn: Resilience - Lilly</b>	<b>Acorn: Rosa</b>
<b>Elm: Trust - Chloe</b>	<b>Elm: Rose</b>
<b>Willow: Resilience - Seth</b>	<b>Willow: Freddie</b>
<b>Ash: Resilience - Resilience - Michael</b>	<b>Ash: Darcey</b>
<b>Beech: Resilience - Rupert</b>	<b>Beech: Leo</b>
<b>Sycamore: Love - Leia</b>	<b>Sycamore: Florence</b>
<b>Maple: Love - Tara</b>	<b>Maple: Owen</b>

## Wellbeing Tip of the Week:



With the night's drawing in, it is important to feed yourself with light. Be intentional about going outside during daylight, consciously feed your inner self with 'light' and actively share your 'light' with others whenever you can.

School Attendance 15th November - 21st November	
<b>Acorn</b>	98.0%
<b>Elm</b>	94.3%
<b>Willow</b>	94.5%
<b>Ash</b>	89.1%
<b>Beech</b>	88.1%
<b>Sycamore</b>	97.1%
<b>Maple</b>	99.3%
<b>Whole School</b>	
93.7%	
Congratulations to Maple class this week who gained the highest attendance	

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Details
Wed 27th Nov	Drama Club Performance	
Thur 28th Nov	Maple - Family Learning Day	9.15am - 11.30am
Fri 6th December	Sycamore Family Learning Day	Details to follow
Tue 10th Dec	KS1 Nativity Performance @ 1.30pm	Details to follow
Wed 11th Dec	KS1 Nativity Performance @ 9.30 am	Details to follow
Wed 11th Dec	Image Theatre Company	Performance to pupils
Thur 12th Dec	KS2 Carols By Candle Light @ 6pm	Details to follow
Fri 13th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	Details to follow
Fri 13th Dec	Elm - Family Learning Day	Details to follow
Wed 18th Dec	Carol Service @ Wanstrow Church 10am	Details to follow
Fri 20th Dec	Last Day of Term	

# WEAR IT YELLOW!



**St Margaret's  
Hospice Care**

Dear Emma - Louise House, staff, parents and pupils of Upton Noble Primary school

**Thank you for helping us turn Somerset Yellow for St Margaret's Hospice!**

We hope you had a fantastic time taking part in our campaign. Thank you for raising an amazing £167.82.

Your kind support helps us to raise vital funds towards the care of vulnerable people within Somerset and neighbouring areas. Every donation helps us support more people facing life limiting illnesses within our communities - last year alone, our specialist teams managed 33,000 calls and we cared for almost 5,000 people across Somerset.

Thank you again for supporting our campaign and for helping us to raise money for the hospice. We could not have done it without you! If you enjoyed the day and would like to take part next year, please let us know as we would love to keep you informed about plans for Wear it Yellow 2025!

On behalf of our patients, their families, our staff and volunteers; thank you once again for your kind support of St Margaret's Hospice Care.

Yours sincerely,

Holly Hackett  
Community Partnerships Fundraiser  
St Margaret's Hospice Care



Friends of Ditchheat School presents a



# Christmas Wreath Making Evening

Friday 29th November 7 to 9pm

Ditchheat Primary School Hall

£25 per person

Includes materials, tuition, mulled wine and festive nibbles

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**SPECIAL OFFERS ON THE DAY!**

### Christmas Charity Event

We're pleased to announce that we'll be holding our annual Christmas Charity Day on Thursday the 12th of December.

As always, we'll have cakes, hot drinks, bacon butties (until we eat them all!) a raffle full of fabulous prizes and plenty of banter!

If you're free, come along, enjoy yourself and help support these great charities.