



Upton Noble News

Friday 4th April 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are again at the end of another term with so much to celebrate. Sport has featured highly with many individual and team successes. We ran with resilience and determination at the final cross country with many children achieving personal bests. We also came a respectable third (narrowly missing second place) in the indoor athletics and football tournaments. We look forward to our upcoming race around the streets of London in April.

Many thanks to our PTA for an edge of the seat night of bingo last night and for your generous contributions to support our school.

Next term marks a very special celebration; 80 years since VE Day. We look forward to celebrating this in school dressed in 1940s style clothing, a special lunch and a visit from some vehicles from the era.

Wishing you all a peaceful Easter and we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 22nd April.

Mrs Bisset and Mrs Curtis

Executive Headteacher and Deputy Head of School

  CERTIFICATE ACHIEVERS   'LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE'	
CHRISTIAN VALUES	Independent Enquirer
Acorn: Love - Lily	Acorn: Emrys
Elm: Love - Olive	Elm: Jack
Willow: Love - Whole Class	Willow: Grace
Ash: Love - Matilda	Ash: Zara
Beech: Resilience - Otto	Beech: Rupert
Sycamore: Resilience - Florence	Sycamore: Jack
Maple: Resilience - Owen	Maple: Oscar



Writer of the Week



Acorn	George
Elm	Archie
Willow	Quinn
Ash	Connie
Beech	Arthur
Sycamore	Hattie
Maple	Hetty

Sponsored Readathon Reminder

Please return the sponsored Readathon records back to school, you can submit your sponsorship online via the link below.

[How to send in your school's sponsorship money](#)

School Attendance 28th March - 3rd April

Acorn	92.1%
Elm	95.0%
Willow	93.2%
Ash	89.3%
Beech	95.2%
Sycamore	88.7%
Maple	100%

Whole School

93.1%

Congratulations to Maple class this week who gained the highest attendance



Wellbeing Tip of the Week:



Smell the flowers. Notice the sky. Exercise. Pray. Meditate. Read. Enjoy music. Mindfully pause, if only for a few seconds. Allow the good feeling to land in your body. It is the felt experience that delivers the benefits.

Easter Competitions

Easter Bonnet	Easter Egg	Easter Garden
Acorn - -----	Acorn - Archie	Acorn - Robyn
Elm - Angus	Elm - Olive	Elm - Rowan
Willow - Lillian	Willow - Leo	Willow - Oliver
Ash - Nephele	Ash - Darcey	Ash - Tristan
Beech - -----	Beech - Rex	Beech - Natasha
Sycamore - Stan	Sycamore - Heidi	Sycamore - Harry
Maple - -----	Maple - Florence	Maple - Eilidh
KS1 Overall Winner Angus	KS1 Overall Winner Archie	KS1 Overall Winner Robyn
KS2 Overall Winner Nephele	KS2 Overall Winner Heidi	KS2 Overall Winner Tristan



Sporting Success

18 children across KS2 made the journey to King Arthur's for an indoor athletics competition, alongside eight other schools. The morning of the event involved children practising their athletics skills, with the afternoon saved for the competition. After some excellent sprints, javelin throws and relay races, the children worked their way to a third place finish with many children representing the school for the first time in this event. It was great fun and we cannot wait to go again soon!



THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the PTA who have kindly donated embroidered and printed t-shirts to the school for sporting activities. We think they look fab!



EYFS & KS1 Events

Acorn Class welcomed two adorable lambs into their garden.



Elm Class have been learning about food safety this term, including good hygiene and using tools safely. They applied these skills when making tasty porridge dishes, which the children designed themselves! The children ate their porridge and most bowls were scraped clean!

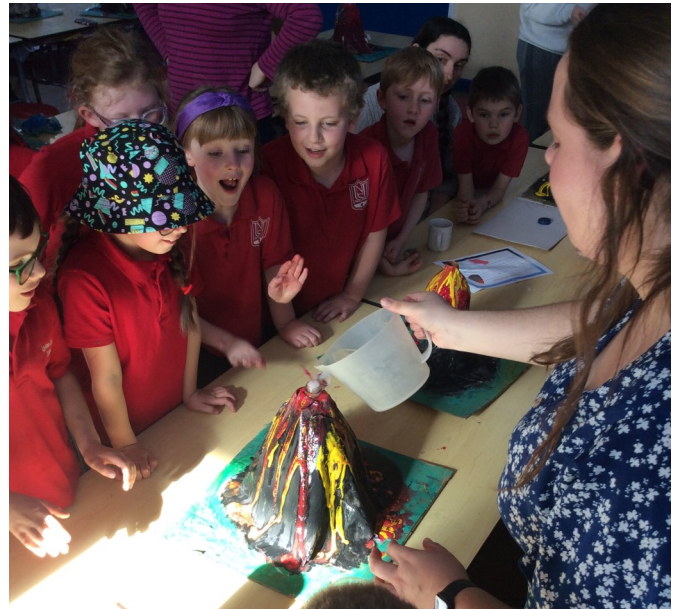


Willow Class delivered a Collective Worship around the Christian value of Love.



KS2 Events

Ash Class had their family learning day where they built volcanoes and made them erupt with soap, bicarbonate of soda and vinegar.



Beech Class had great fun creating model digestive systems as part of their outdoor learning this week.



KS2 Events

This term, Sycamore Class have been learning all about 'Farm to Fork'. This has involved thinking about the nutritional value of food as well as all the different foods that can be locally sourced. As we are in the season of Lent and pancake day in the not too distant past, they have made pancakes using locally sourced ingredients. Whether it was salami, flour and cheese from Westcombe, milk from a local farm or honey and eggs from the children's gardens, the children sourced as locally as they could. These went down a treat!



Maple Class had a taste of what it might be like to go to school in Victorian times. The teacher was very strict and insisted on silence. She had a cane, and inspected their hands to make sure they were clean. They all had to write on slates with their right hands. They all agreed that they definitely prefer to go to school today than in 1885!





We are looking forward to celebrating the 80th Anniversary of VE Day in school on Thursday May 8th.

We are marking this special day by inviting children and staff to come in 1940's British period clothes. Children may like to dress as an evacuee, a land girl, or wear clothes typical of the 'make-do-and-mend' era for example.

We will have a celebratory lunch and will end the day with a visit from some wartime military vehicles.

If you have any artefacts that you would be willing to share, or a family member who would be able to sing wartime songs or talk about their childhood memories, please get in touch.

Many thanks.

Batcombe are holding a VE Day competition and are asking the children to get creative They would like the children to create a drawing, painting or collage which has a connection to VE Day 1945.

More information on how to submit entries will supplied nearer the time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Details
Fri 4th April	Last Day of Term	
Tues 22nd April	First Day Back	
Wed 23rd April	Yr3 & 4 Food to Fork Trip	Sign up on ScoPay
Thurs 24th April	Maple Class Parent Okehampton Information meeting	3.45pm in Maple classroom
Sat 26th April	London TCS Mini Marathon	Selected children.
Tues 29th April	R & Y6 Height and Weight check	Rescheduled
Thurs 1st May	Whole Class Photos	
Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday	
Thurs 8th May	VE Day	
Mon 12th - 15th May	SATs Week - Maple Class	

Hauser and Wirth, Somerset will be working on an exciting art project with all Year 3 and 4 pupils across the East Somerset Federation for a week early in the summer term.

As part of the project the children have been asked to bring in a personal item which they don't mind being included in the artwork.

Please could the children bring their items to school by Thursday 24th April so that they can be collected in preparation for the project.

There will be more details to follow when we return to school after the Easter holidays.

St Mary's Church presents

Wonders of Wood & Wire

a Harp Guitar Odyssey

Jon Pickard

Classical / Folk / Original
From Debussy to Dire Straits,
Bach, O'Carolan & much more

*"Weaves a flying carpet on the
strings...Almost unbelievable,
technically, stylistically..."*
Akustik Gitarre Magazine

*"Revolutionary...
Absolutely breathtaking!"*
BritishTheatre.com

*"A true visionary...
A gem of a show"*
Buxton Fringe



St Mary's Church Bruton, BA10 0DU
Saturday 26 April - Doors open 7pm

Bar available, funds to support the church

Tickets £15. Over 65's under 16's £12

Tickets: Bruton Convenience Store, 23 High Street

Or: <https://wegottickets.com/event/653062/>



