

Upham Newsletter

25 January 2019



Photo: Class 3 getting to grips with trombones and cornets in Listen2Me this week!

Dates For Your Diary

Fri 25 Jan – 3.30pm FUS
Cake Sale

W.b. Mon 11 Feb (Not
Tues 12th) – Bikeability
for Yr 5

Tues 12 Feb – Vocal
Festival involving some
of Class 4 pm at Romsey
Abbey, evening
performance starts
6.30pm

Wed 13 Feb – Class 3
Trip Fishbourne Palace

Mon 18 – Fri 22 Feb –
Half Term

Mon 25 Feb – INSET
Closure Day

Tuesday 26 Feb – First
Day Back of Spring II
Term

Thurs 14 March – 4.30-
7.30pm Parents Evening

Tues 19 March – 3.40 –
6pm Parents Evening

Fri 5 Apr – 9am Easter
Service at Blessed Mary

Mon 8 – Mon 22 Apr –
Easter Holidays

Tues 23 Apr- First Day
Back of Summer Term

A few words from the headteacher ...

Each class is now well into their new topics. Much of their learning is blended into this topic with learning being carried from one curriculum area into another whilst some parts of learning remain separate and 'discrete'. Class 1 are learning about light and dark and how animals, such as owls, survive whilst Class 2 are learning about famous people from history in 'Famous Faces'. Class 3 are exploring 'The Rotten Romans' whilst Class 4 'The Mysterious Mayans'.

On-Line Safety – Some really useful free resources

I imagine that on-line safety is something that is constantly on your minds for your children, it's so hard to know what to do as a parent sometimes. I would like to draw your attention to a **brilliant resource**; the following website:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/>

It contains lots of colourful, downloadable **A4 guides** for parents on a variety of topics – social media, settings, grooming, screen addiction and general guidance. They document, in a really easy to understand way, things you should be aware of as a parent and how to control settings within the games.

I think the guidance regarding some games your children might enjoy playing is particularly good. If any of your children play any of the following on-line, I would urge you to check out the guides following the link above:

Fortnite, Grand Theft Auto (should not be played by under 18 anyway), **Minecraft** (age restricted to 10), **Roblox, FIFA**

And also if your child regularly uses:

You Tube, Yubo, TikTok

I have also placed the link on our website – under the 'Our Curriculum' tab – look for the E-Safety page where there is lots of information for parents.



Letters

This Week:

Wed – Class 4 Letter re
residential visit – **please
return confirmation
slip by Fri 1 Feb.**

Thurs – Class 3 Trip
Letter



Sports News

On Tuesday children from Class 4 took part in a basketball competition against schools from across the area (Fair Oak, Hedge End, Swanmore, Hamble, Netley). Some very tough competition but the children did well, even the games they lost were very close and very competitively played. Thanks to Mrs Barrett for taking them and to everyone who helped with transport.

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