



Unsworth
Primary School

Newsletter

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Whole School Enquiry

This half term we will be learning all about Easter and to start off the enquiry the whole school will be visiting St George's Church on the morning on Monday 19th March. Following on from the visit each class will then do some work based on a different aspect of the Easter theme. We will share our learning with The Reverend Donna from St George's when she visits us at the end of the enquiry. Look out for more information via our website and Twitter feed.



World Book Day



Despite the wintry weather we still enjoyed celebrating World Book Day by sharing stories with different people in different areas of the school. The children also enjoyed visiting our Book Swap Shop and thank you to the school council for organising this. For photographs from the day please take a look at our Twitter feed via the school website.

'Share a story today and every day'

Digital Leaders

Our digital leaders did a great job supporting our annual Safer Internet Day in February. They are currently planning to hold learning conversations with their classes to find out more about what technology they would like to use.

Easter and Summer Playschemes



We still have places available for our Easter playscheme which runs from 9th to 13th April. We are also taking bookings for the summer playscheme. For more information go to <http://unsworth-primary.co.uk/easter-and-summer-playschemes/>.

Class News

Our topic in **Reception** is 'Once upon a time' and each week we are focussing on a different story. We have climbed a giant beanstalk and planted our own beans. We have built bridges to 'trip trap' over. We have made and tried porridge and we have built houses using bricks, wood and straw. We are developing our story telling in detail and are now attempting to write stories. Miss Ashton.



This half term **Year 1** are learning about the weather and the different seasons in our Science lessons. We will also be thinking about hot and cold places around the world and locating the North and South Poles on globes and maps. We will read a range of stories from other cultures and use the small world area to re-tell these. Miss Dooley.

This term in **Year 2** we will be learning to write fantasy stories in our English lessons. In Maths, we have been recapping addition and subtraction, 2D and 3D shape and working on 2-step problems. We have also been learning about money and learning our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will be learning about plants and growth in Science. Our topic in History this half term is Florence and Mary. We will be learning all about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We have a QFirst sports coach for PE and will be doing gymnastics. Miss Robinson.

In **Year 3** this half term we will be learning about forces and magnetism in science and we will also be learning about Ghanaian culture in Geography. The children are really enjoying reading a variety of mystery stories in Literacy which will be useful when they start to write their own exciting mystery stories this term. Mrs McLoughlin.

Year 4 will be working on states of matter in Science and before Easter, we will be writing an explanation text. We will be doing dance and swimming this half term so please ensure that the kit is in school. Please continue to work on the times tables at home as well as ensuring the reading book is brought in daily. Mr Garside.

Year 5 are all fired up and ready for the next enquiries which are volcanoes, earthquakes and growing old. We have also been busy getting ready for our class assembly and can't wait to share our learning about the history of the local area. Mrs Ali.

Year 6 are continuing to work on understanding equivalences between fractions, decimals and percentages in our Percentage Maths unit. We have also started our new History topic which is 'Vikings' and we have begun our Persuasive Writing unit. Over the next few weeks I will sometimes send home grammar or worksheets instead of an enquiry task. Miss Sinclair.



Sports News

We are looking forward to representing Bury schools in the Greater Manchester school games in athletics on Tuesday 20th March. It is a fantastic day at the Etihad stadium facilities.

Other fixtures to look out for in the next few weeks are:

Girls football 7 a-side

Boys football quarter final @ bury grammar.

Tag rugby

Basketball

Cross country events @ St Gabriel's, Derby and Heaton Park.



General Data Protection Register

From the end of May 2018 the current EU Data Protection Act will be replaced by the General Data Protection Regulations. We have added a new page to our website under key information that explains the changes in detail. All current consent letters that have been sent into school for photographs and trips etc. remain valid. Parents and carers are entitled to withdraw consent at any time by contacting the school office.

PTA News

Thank you for coming along to our Valentine's Disco. It was nice to see so many families enjoying the evening and supporting our school. Our next event is Easter Egg Bingo on Saturday 24th March and there will be a non-uniform day on Friday 16th March where we ask children to bring in an Easter Egg for the event. If you are available to help either with the organisation or on the day please let Mrs Hayward know or the school office.



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event or Activity	More information
9th March	Y1 Bikeability learn to ride and balance bike sessions	
12th March	Year 6 visit Crucial Crew	12.15pm —3.30pm
13th—16th March	Years 5 & 6 Bikeability	
16th March	Non-uniform day for donations of Easter eggs	
22nd March	Year R Class Assembly	9.10am in the school hall
24th March	PTA Easter Egg Bingo	2pm—4pm
25th March	Communitree Easter family session	
26th/ 27th March	Y1-Y6 Progress meetings	3.30pm—6pm
29th March	School,closes for Easter and Spring break	3.30pm (after school club will run as usual)
9th—13th April	Easter Playscheme	Contact school office to book places
16th April	School re-opens	9am