



Friday 11th April 2025

Upton upon Severn CofE Primary, 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'

Providing enriching experiences to foster aspiration 'To inspire ... To aspire'

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13)

Bible quote [1 Corinthians 6:14](#)

And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.

Easter Service



This morning, we celebrated our Easter Service in our parish church, St Peter and St Paul's Church. The children told the Easter story through a series of readings and special songs. The entire service was moving and our children's ability with their singing most spiritual. Their voices were wonderful and as a combined school choir the impact was wonderful. Our school works hard to provide the children with many positive developments within the curriculum but, there are no words to fully describe the unique personal development opportunities' that a service of this magnitude offers. Our thanks go to the Reverend Barry

Unwin and the Church wardens for making us so welcome and to the friends association for providing welcoming refreshments prior to the service.

Preschool



On Monday, Pre-School and Reception welcomed Jason and Jess from a local specialist gardening nursery, who shared with us what they do and how they plant and grow different bushes and plants. This is an example of how we engage with our community to learn and grow.

To finish this amazing workshop, the children had the opportunity to put their learning into practice: Jason and Jess brought us sunflower seeds and soil, canes, and pots to start to grow our own amazing plants. We had lots of fun and learnt so much!

Year 1





In our RE lessons, we have been learning about Holy Week and the different thoughts and emotions that appear throughout the story. We thought that Peter and Pilate felt sorry for what they did. We thought of things that we were sorry for. We took a pinch of salt and threw it into the water to see it disappear. This means that we are letting go of the thing that we are sorry about, leaving it behind and moving on.

We remembered the part of the story where Jesus suffered, we said that everyone has sadness in their lives. We wrote about who was having a sad time at the moment on a flower and put it on the cross.

We thought about the part when Jesus' friends found the empty tomb and saw that Jesus was alive again. This gives Christians hope that when they die, they will go to live with God. On leaves, we wrote - My hope for the future is... and hung them on the tree of hope.

We learnt that Salvation is 'making it right' with God.

Year 3 - Awful Egyptians



Year 3 had an amazing time this morning at The Alexandra Theatre in Birmingham. We watched the stage show, Awful Egyptians, by Horrible Histories. The story was based around a teacher and a pupil being locked in the museum with all the Ancient Egyptian artefacts and experiencing an amazing journey through time. There were lots of laugh-out-loud moments.

For the second half of the performance, we used 3D glasses and the backdrop came to life with flying mummies, beetles, snakes and even a few rocks. Our behaviour, as always, was impeccable and it was a great way to end the term.

Leon "Look, we are now small in the city" (Our current English book is Small in the City by Sydney Smith)

Jonathan "I think this is my most favourite day at school ever!"

Darel "There were so many jump scares in the second half!"



Year 4 - biscuit making



Working together in groups, Year 4 adapted a biscuit recipe by adding up to three additional ingredients to a basic recipe. The children chose names for their groups and we had: Team Biscuit, The Queen Baker, Short and Sweet, Best Biscuit Bakers, Cookie Masters. Each group made their biscuit mixture, chilled it, cut it out and baked it. Some even decorated their biscuits.

In the afternoon, the children's parents were invited to critically evaluate (eat!) the biscuits. We all enjoyed the sunshine and sampled the biscuits, which were all delicious. Thankfully, there were enough left for the children to enjoy too.

In addition, the children costed out the total of the ingredients for their biscuits, and then the cost per biscuit and designed and made a packet.

What a huge amount of designing and making!







Year 5 perform Erie Canal

After many weeks of working very hard on their musical skills, Year 5 performed the song Erie Canal to Reception class. Year 5 have worked so hard on developing the musicality required to play the glocs in time with the music and playing the right notes in the right order. Added to this, they also learnt the structure of the song, understanding where rest periods were and improving within this time.

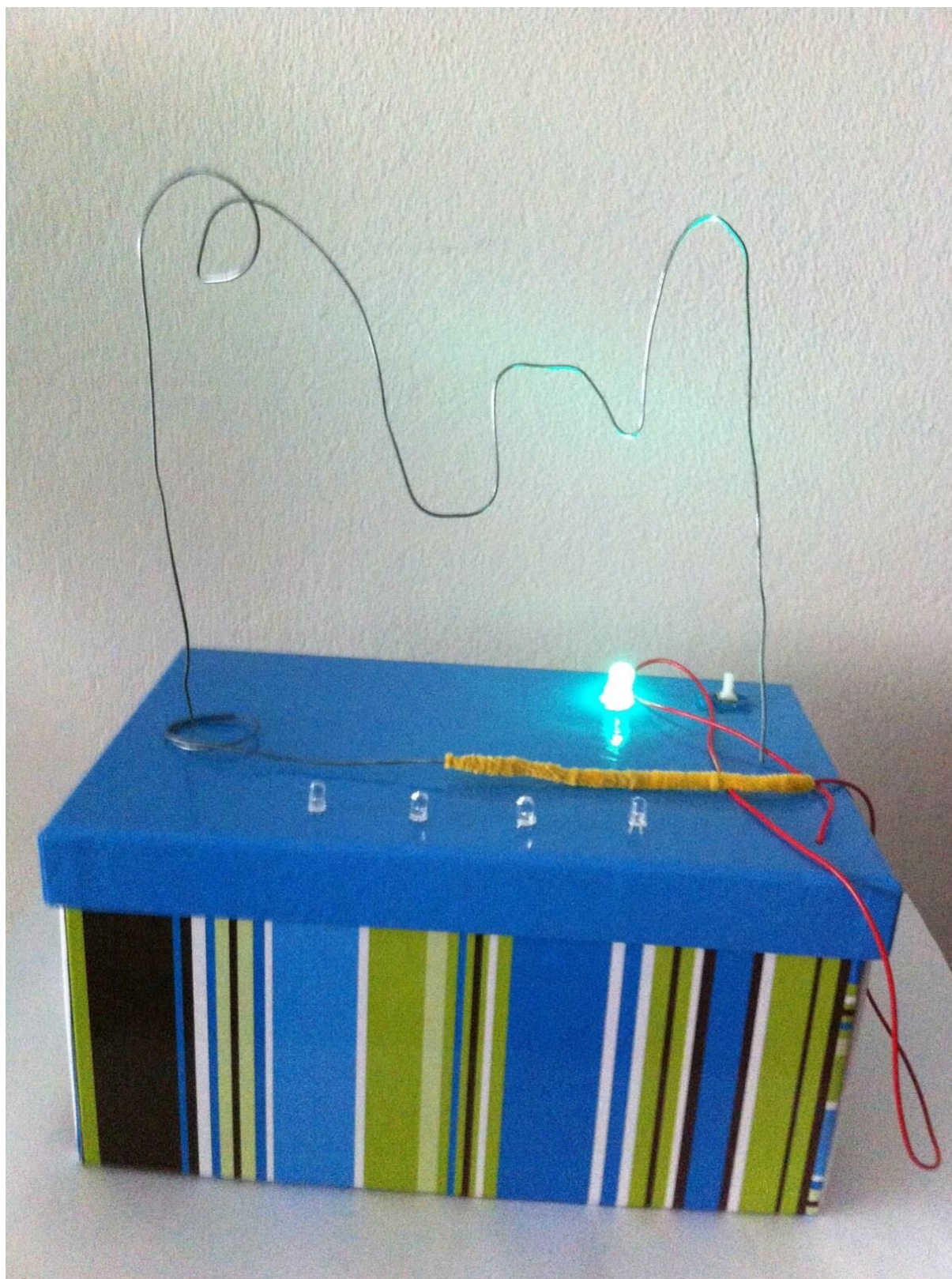
Reception class sat and listened beautifully giving the performance a resounding thumbs up.

Year 5 and Reception are planning to create a musical experience together over the summer term.





Year 6 Electrifying Fun

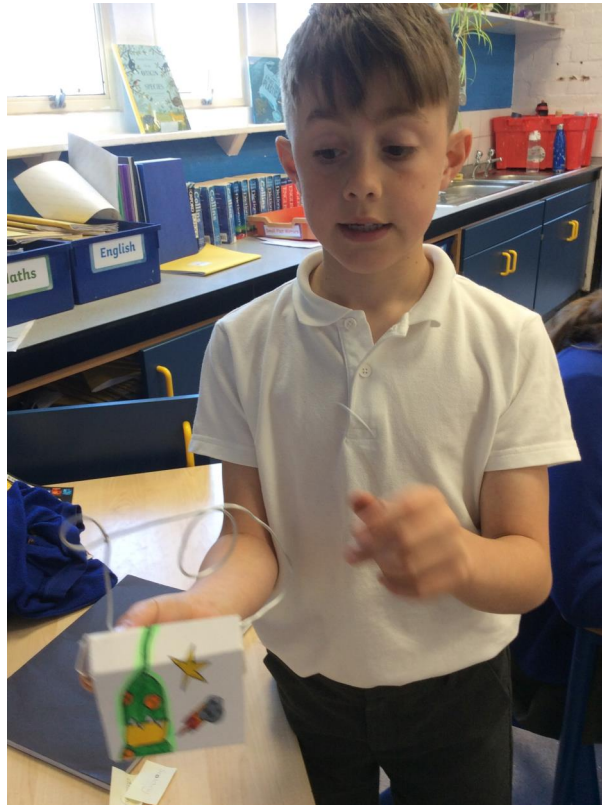


It's been a very busy week in Year 6, but one of the highlights was finishing off our steady hand games in DT. All the games are now complete and just waiting to be tested on one of our younger year groups. The children completed their bases and spent time bending their

wire into shape. They then created a wand and handle using a cork for insulation. Finally, it was time to connect up a circuit to see how well their games worked.

In English, we have been writing a dystopian story about a world where all the animals are dying. This piece of writing was inspired by the trilogy *The Last Wild* by Piers Torday and tells the story of a boy, Kester, who can talk to animals and fights hard to save them.

This week sees the end of much of our learning ahead of SATS after Easter. The children have been working really hard and are ready for a good rest.







Folk Festival

We will have folk workshops in school on Friday, 2nd May, for all our children to enjoy. As last year, there will be the opportunity to join in the folk festival parade and FOLK3D, who run the workshops in school, send this message:

Come along with your family on Sunday 4th May to the Upton Folk Festival.

There will be a procession you can all join in with - very easy dancing. This starts outside the Rugby Club, ready to leave at 12 noon – meet there at 11:45 am.

You can wear any bright colours you want to - add some ribbons for fun!

After the Procession, outside the Kings Head, we will show the town how to do our Maypole Dance and our Upton Special Ceilidh Dance and everyone can join us in those.

Breakfast Club and Moorings

We have had a busy couple of weeks at the Moorings! The children have had lots of Easter fun making Easter baskets, Easter baking, BINGO and themed word searches. We have also had darts tournaments, some amazing marble run constructions and loads of fun in the sunshine. Have a lovely Easter, everyone!

Please see the added letter about the new FREE breakfast club available to all pupils from 28th April 2025







Amazing news sharing our vision 'Anything is Possible we can all succeed'

MAAC-2024-363 Wear it Red - Thank You Poster

Thank you for making us

**Mission
Red-dy!**



Midlands
Air Ambulance
Charity®

We've raised an incredible...



0800 8 40 20 40

midlandsairambulance.com

Saving Lives by Saving Time



Registered with
FUNDRAISING
REGULATOR



Sponsored by

M6toll21



Midlands
Air Ambulance
Charity®

Registered Charity Number 1143118

The Wear it Red for the Midlands air ambulance started a few years ago in our school and following the success of our fundraising, the campaign has been growing each year. Following this year's campaign, we have received this incredible report from the Midlands air ambulance team.

'We have been totting up the totals following Wear it Red, and I have some wonderful news to share...

During 10th – 16th February, you were one of 102 organisations - including primary, secondary and SEN schools, businesses, and community organisations - across Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, West Midlands, and Worcestershire taking part in Midlands Air Ambulance Charity's Wear It Red Day 2025.

Kindly sponsored by M6toll, a total of 21,000 people got involved in Wear it Red – the most people we've ever had! – and raised a staggering **£18,000** for our lifesaving cause! This is enough to make five helicopter missions and six critical care car missions possible.

[You can also read our press release about the success of Wear it Red Day 2025 here.](#)

Our thanks to all of you for supporting the charity, and also thank you to the Midlands Air Ambulance for the incredible work they do.

Focus On Reading: Easter Book Buys



There have been some very exciting new children's books released in time for Easter so if you are looking for an alternative to Easter Eggs there are some great options if you follow the links below.

https://www.goodreads.com/genres/childrens?original_shelf=children-s

Office information.

REMINDERS :- Please ensure that you **book your child's hot dinner** for the new term by 9am on the 28th April.

Monday 28th April First day back after the Easter break



Happy Easter to all our families



