



Friday 21st March 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'

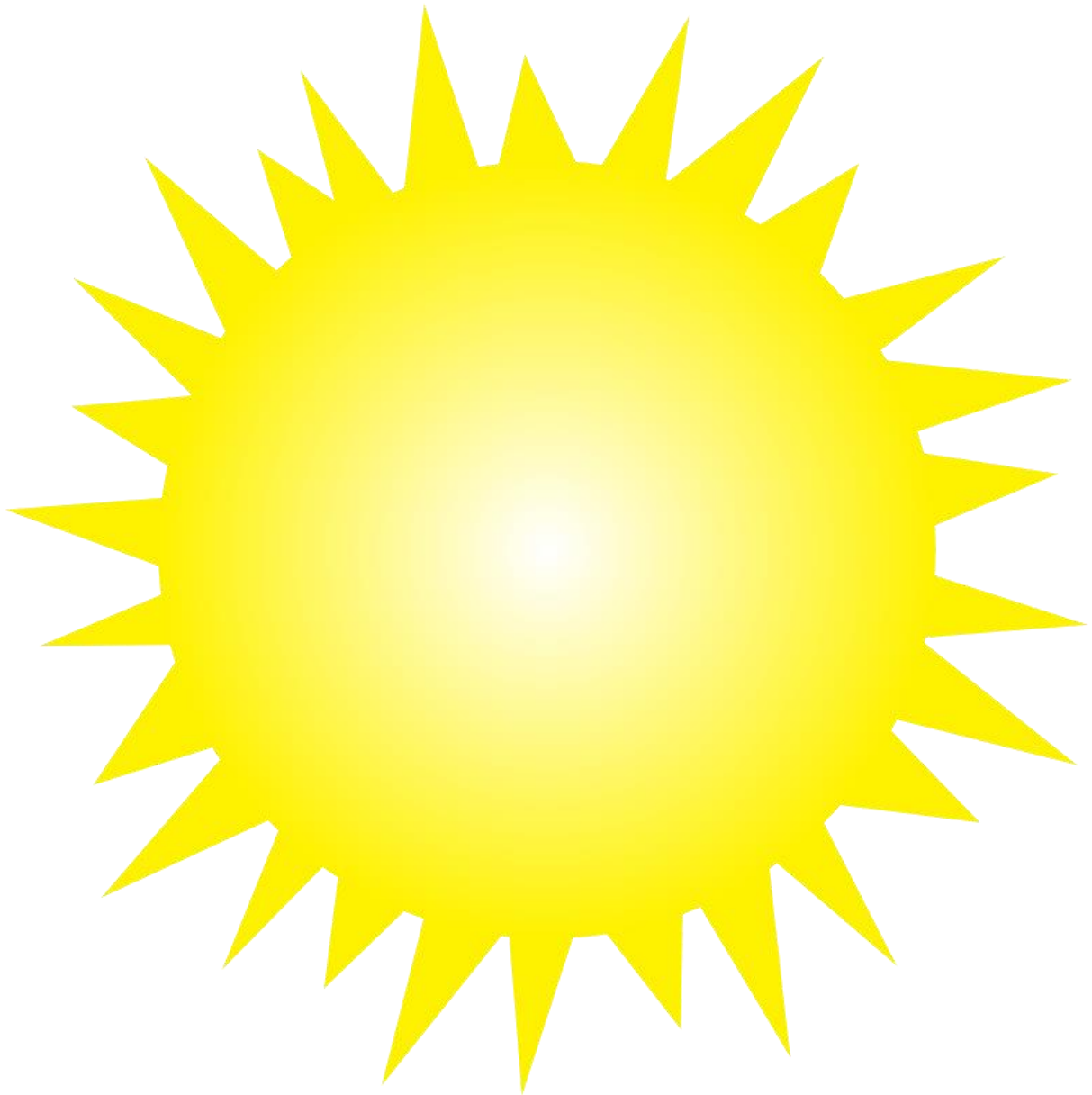
Providing enriching experiences to foster aspiration 'To inspire ... To aspire'

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

Bible quote

(Psalm 18.2) The Lord is my rock

Reception



What a lovely week in the sunshine. Spring has been in the air this week and it has been great to make use of the outside areas more. We enjoyed our first outdoor PE session on the field and it was great to see the children so active but also encouraging each other and making sure that everyone felt good about themselves. Our planting will begin again next week where we will be looking at the different vegetables that we can grow and deciding where we will put them. A fantastic week of fun and sunshine for everyone.

Year 1



As it was BSL week, the children had a go at learning the alphabet and we signed our names together. Colby said it was great because it helps you remember your vowels! We also used Sign-along to sing 'You Are My Sunshine'. We talked about how it would feel to lose one of your senses.

The children brought in their teddies to introduce to each other. They wrote labels to attach to their teddies to say who they belonged to, concentrating on capital letters to start their sentence and for names. We are looking forward to reading our new book, 'The Sea Saw' by Tom Percival.

Year 2







Year 2 has been busy this week in DT practising some different skills in preparation for making their own healthy wraps! We looked at 4 key skills: chopping, snipping, grating, and spreading, and had to choose the appropriate piece of equipment to complete the task. We thought about some of the foods and how we could use more than one skill- like cucumber! We were very busy and enjoyed getting messy. We then thought about how to be hygienic and clean up after ourselves!

Year 4 - karate workshop



On Thursday morning, the class took part in a karate workshop at Hanley Castle High School. Alongside students from Kempsey Primary School, the children learnt lots of patterns of movements, including punching, blocking, and kicking. The children enjoyed working individually and in small groups, taking turns and following instructions. The discipline of this sport and energy consumed was clear to see and the children returned to Upton happy and ready for their lunch! We brought back leaflets from the instructors for those who are interested in joining regular classes. We also have Nikki Sinclair at Upton on Mondays who runs after-school karate lessons too. Thank you to Ethan, Finley and Ethan's mum and to Georgia's mum for accompanying us.

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Year 5 British Sign Language Week and having an eggcellent time in Science

This week we have been learning some British Sign Language. We have all worked very hard to learn the alphabet to be able to sign our own names. Rae-Anne and Archie were both very confident in signing their names, the images below show them selling out their names.

In our science lesson this week, we have dissected eggs. We started off by examining the shell, looking at the tiny holes through microscopes, we then carefully cracked the shell and were able to examine the inner membrane and air sac. Finally, we used cocktail sticks to identify where the chalaza was and the different layers of the albumen.

This was a fascinating task to complete with so many squeals of 'I have found the air sac' 'I can see the chalaza'

Great learning Year 5, well done



















Year 6 - Combining DT and Science



Our science topic for this half term is electricity and we are learning how to make circuits that work and troubleshoot those that don't. We are testing different components to see the type of resistance they create. This ties in really well with our DT project which is to create a steady hand game. We have explored what makes a great toy, studying form and function, and decided which toys are focused on which priority. We examined the work of Philip Stark and his design concepts, which lean heavily towards form. This week we are designing our steady hand games and deciding what components of a circuit are needed to create them. We have considered fine motor skills and how these are required for these types of games.

Our art installation is now in place along the corridor and uses this wonderful position to show how the colours in our artwork change at different times of the day



Family Service



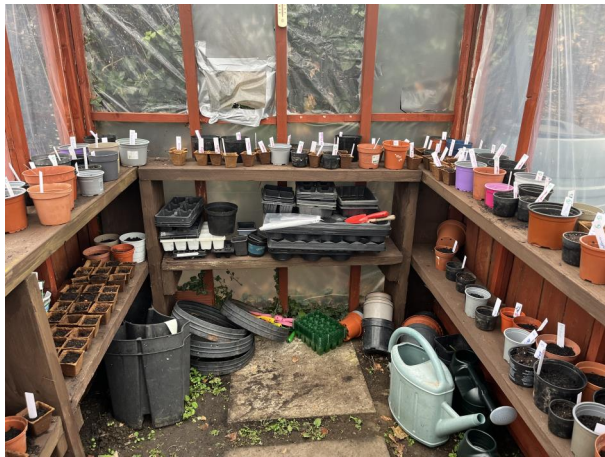
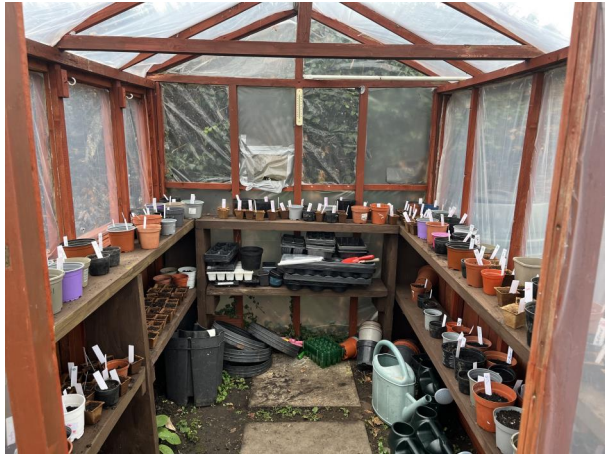
Family Service

We look forward to welcoming you to church next Friday morning at 9.30am for our singing service, which this year has the theme of celebrating our families and teamwork. We are learning a lovely selection of songs and we promise you will go away humming some great songs, both familiar and some new to you. Please come along and support the children at this informal service.

The Great Friends Plant Sale

Tonight, your child, will have brought home a mystery pot. Some of our pots are sunflowers, some are peas, some broad beans and some are onions. Over the next few weeks, we ask that you do your very best to nurture and grow your 'mystery plant' ready for the Friends plant sale on the 21st of May. For the team that brings back the most saleable plants, there will be a small prize, so please do not lose the plant label with the class number and team colour on it.

Happy growing everyone!





Focus On Reading: Library Visits



Throughout the year, classes visit the library in Upton to experience and learn about all that is on offer. We are very lucky to have such a well-stocked library on our doorstep and the staff always makes us feel very welcome. Children from our preschool visit every week to

listen to stories told by the staff. We would encourage parents to visit the library and join; there are many ways to read on offer from regular books to audio books and e-readers.

As well as Upton Library there are several other libraries nearby which offer all sorts of activities in the school holidays. Please follow the link to see what is on offer and the opening times.

<https://libraryon.org/libraries/worcestershire/upton-upon-severn-library>

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Dates for your diary

MAR 28 Hot Chocolate Sale	TBC Quiz Night	MAY 03 Car Boot Sale
MAY 21 & 22 3PM Plant Sale	JUN 13 TIME TBC School Disco	JUL 09 8.45AM Rags2Riches
JUL 11 Yr 6 Leavers Party	JUN/JUL TBC Summer Fete	NOV/DEC TBC Christmas Fayre

Any enquiries can be directed to
uptonprimaryfriends@gmail.com



**Friday 28th March
From 3pm**

£2.50 cash or card

dairy free option available

Served on the playground afterschool

Support the





As part of their 40th year celebrations, The Dream Tour featuring the Ubuntu choir is heading to the UK in Spring 2025! This inspiring group of African Children's Choir alumni will share their joyous music, stories of hope, and the incredible impact of education.

We will welcome them to Upton upon Severn on Friday 25th April 2025 at 7pm.

During the concert there will be a free-will offering taken and after the concert, the chance to buy merchandise.

All monies are raised through ticket sales, the offering and merchandise goes directly to support the African Children's Choir.

Adults £10 - Under 16s £5 - Family 2+2 £25

