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# Upton Primary Newsletter

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Upton upon Severn CofE Primary, Nursery and Riverboats SureStart Children's Centre, working together to support the local community

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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

**Psalms 147:3** - He heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds.

**This has been a sad week within the Upton community following the loss of a former pupil.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.**

O Lord, we call upon You in our time of sorrow, that You give us the strength and will to bear our heavy burdens, until we can again feel the warmth and love of Your divine compassion. Be mindful of us and have mercy on us while we struggle to comprehend life's hardships.



## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we have started one of our Worships with Ted (Year 6) playing the cornet as we entered the hall. Ted has been learning since September and showed great confidence to stand in front of all

the school to play. Congratulations to Ted on such an impressive performance, he received a Headteacher's Award.



### **YEAR 6 WW2 WORKSHOP**

On Friday, Year 6 were lucky enough to have an exciting WW2 workshop delivered by Su Vale from Hartlebury Museum. The children were treated to stories told by a 1940's housewife of life on the home front. Our visitor brought lots of great artefacts from the war and the children had the opportunity to try on clothes, do the washing, play some games and try their hand at shopping with old money. Bringing history to life is an important part of teaching history and the children really enjoyed the morning. They came away with a new appreciation of the war effort and how the country came together at the worst of times truly showing that 'Anything is possible'.







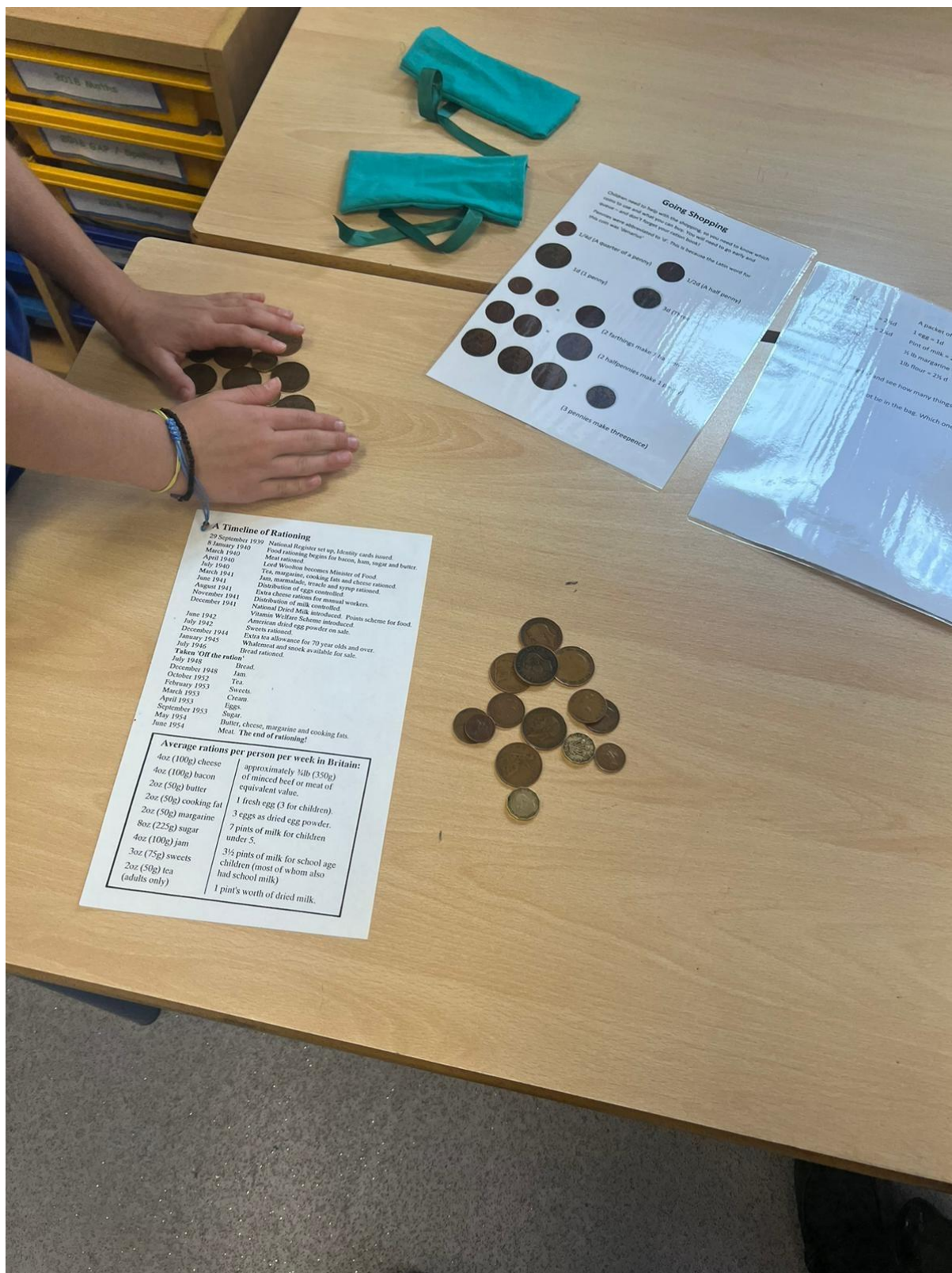












### Going Shopping

Children need to help with the shopping, so they need to know which coins to use and what they can buy. You will need to know which coins were introduced in '45, this is because the Latin word for the coin was 'denarius'.

1/2d (A quarter of a penny)

1d (1 penny)

1/2d (A half penny)

3d (3 pennies)

(2 farthings make 1 penny)

(2 halfpennies make 1 penny)

(3 pennies make threepence)

### A Timeline of Rationing

29 September 1939 National Registry set up. Identify each household.  
 8 January 1940 Food rationing begins for bacon, ham, sugar and butter.  
 March 1940 Meat rationed.  
 April 1940 Lord Woolton becomes Minister of Food.  
 July 1940 Tea, margarine, cooking fat and cheese rationed.  
 March 1941 Jam, marmalade, treacle and syrup rationed.  
 June 1941 Distribution of eggs controlled.  
 August 1941 Extra cheese rations for manual workers.  
 November 1941 Distribution of milk controlled.  
 December 1941 National Dried Milk introduced. Points scheme for food.  
 June 1942 American dried egg powder on sale.  
 July 1942 American dried egg powder introduced.  
 December 1942 Sweets rationed.  
 January 1943 Extra 10c allowance for 70 year olds and over.  
 July 1946 Wholesome and snack available for sale.  
 Bread rationed.

**Take Off the ration**

July 1948 Bread.  
 December 1948 Jam.  
 October 1952 Tea.  
 February 1953 Sweets.  
 March 1953 Cream.  
 April 1953 Eggs.  
 September 1953 Sugar.  
 May 1954 Butter, cheese, margarine and cooking fats.  
 June 1954 Meat. The end of rationing!

| Average rations per person per week in Britain: |                                                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4oz (100g) cheese                               | approximately 3/4lb (350g) of minced beef or meat of equivalent value.           |
| 4oz (100g) bacon                                | 1 fresh egg (3 for children).                                                    |
| 2oz (50g) butter                                | 3 eggs as dried egg powder.                                                      |
| 2oz (50g) cooking fat                           | 7 pints of milk for children under 5.                                            |
| 2oz (50g) margarine                             | 3 1/2 pints of milk for school age children (most of whom also had school milk). |
| 8oz (225g) sugar                                | 1 pint's worth of dried milk.                                                    |
| 4oz (100g) jam                                  |                                                                                  |
| 3oz (75g) sweets                                |                                                                                  |
| 2oz (50g) tea (adults only)                     |                                                                                  |











## SUCCESS ASSEMBLIES



In school, we hold a weekly celebration success assembly where various awards are given to the children. These weekly awards for the merit certificate and, at times, a headteachers certificate are important in supporting our children.

We would like to involve the parents in these awards but would request that, if the invitation is sent to you, do not inform your child they have been selected for an award. We would love to invite parents and carers to attend our Success Assembly each week from 2.35pm to 3.00pm. If your child is due to receive a certificate we will let you know in advance by the Wednesday evening.

During this award ceremony, we also present goose certificates, which are selected by the children of each class on a Friday. These certificates will not be known in advance and so if your child is chosen for one of these awards we will be unable to invite you to the afternoon ceremony. If your child is ill on the day of receiving their award, we will hold the certificate for the next week.

## YEAR 1

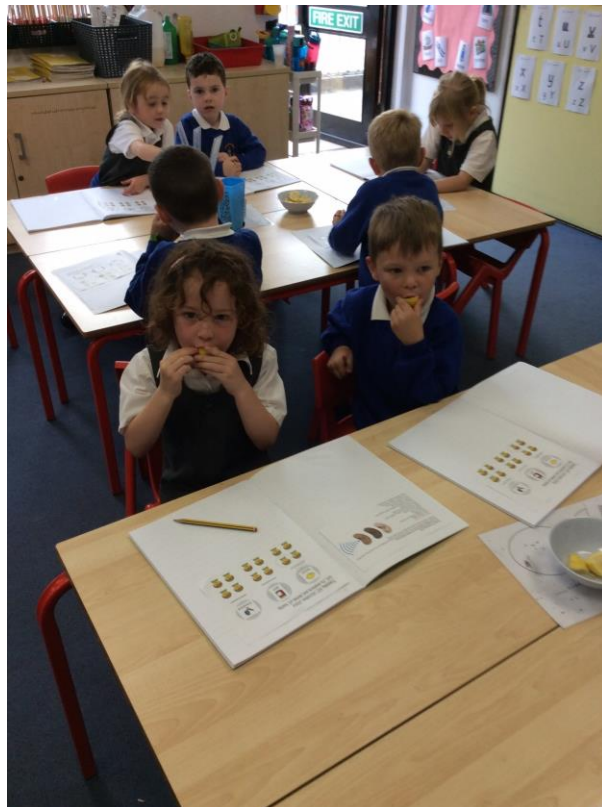
### ART PROJECT

Year 1 will soon be creating their final piece of art, which they have been working towards this half term. Whilst you are out food shopping this week, if you see any free supermarket food magazines/leaflets, which you could pick up for us, we would really appreciate it!

### SCIENCE

This half term in science, Year 1 have been learning about the 5 senses and this week we became scientists and participated in an experiment about taste. We tried lemons, jam and breadsticks to determine whether or not it was sweet, salty or sour. We had great fun and even rated the foods depending on whether we liked them or not. Some of the children surprised themselves by trying things that they thought they did not like!





## FRIENDS ASSOCIATION



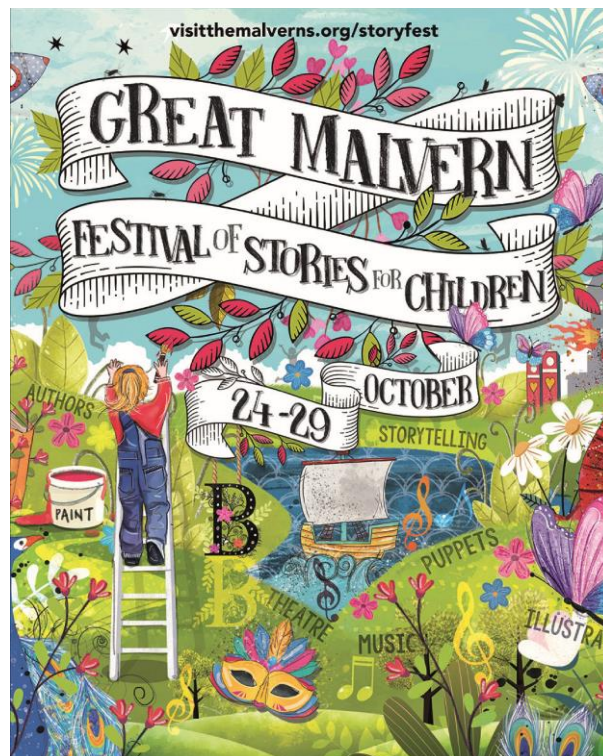
Following the departure from the school of some members of our Friends Committee, due to their children moving on to High School, they would like to recruit some new members.

They will be holding an informal get together on Monday 23rd October at The Swan from 7.00pm. If you would like to find out more about how you can become involved in The Friends Association, please pop along to the meeting.

## SUPPORTING PARENTS

[Natterhub Parent Webinar](#)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



1 - This year's Festival of Stories event will take place from 24th to 29th October at various venues in Great Malvern, with a programme for schools from Tuesday to Friday and the weekend programme for families.

Last year, parents and grandparents enjoyed the festival along with children and grandchildren, and this year's programme promises not to disappoint with Aardman Animations (Wallace & Gromit) hosting workshops, a storytelling whale inside Priory Park, with many more storytellers, authors and puppetry throughout the weekend - [www.VisitTheMalverns.org/storyfest](http://www.VisitTheMalverns.org/storyfest) for more information.



**NEWTOWN SPORTS  
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

### **Newtown Sports FC**

**Looking for players for the following  
Girls League Teams:**

#### **U9s Girls Lynx – yrs 3 and 4**

Train Wednesdays, Chase High School, 6-7pm  
League Games, Mercian League, Saturday mornings

For more information, please contact U9s girls Manager  
Jack Simons 07720 544907

#### **U11s Girls Lynx – yrs 5 and 6**

Train Wednesdays, Chase High School, 7-8pm  
League Games, Mercian League, Saturday mornings

For more information, please contact U11s girls Manager  
Matt Rogers 07914 344526

**THE JOHN MOORE MUSEUM**  
NATURAL HISTORY | HERITAGE | LIVING VOICES

## **Create your own Wildlife refuge: Half Term Holiday Crafts**



**Wed 1st November and  
Thu 2nd November**

**10.00am – 12:00pm**

**Old Baptist Chapel,  
Tewkesbury**



**This autumn we will be making a  
cute selection of wildlife toilet roll  
animals for you to take home,  
from leaping frogs to stripy  
badgers!**

**All materials will be supplied**

**Ages 3+**

**Donations appreciated**



#### **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

Limited spaces per session  
Call 01684 297174 or email  
[admin@johnmooremuseum.org](mailto:admin@johnmooremuseum.org)

