

12th May 2023

Upton Primary Newsletter

Upton-upon-Severn CofE Primary, Nursery 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)

WEEKLY BIBLE QUOTE

[Ephesians 2:9](#) - Not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

PERSEVERANCE

Our half-term's theme is perseverance and this is a value that underpins our school vision 'Anything is possible, we can all succeed'. We work with our children to ensure that whatever they encounter they need to persevere with their work, activity or whatever challenge it happens to be to ensure that they keep going. A dictionary definition of perseverance is: '**persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.**'

Many times throughout our lives we have to persevere when life throws us challenges. This week our Year 6 children have been persevering superbly with their statutory assessments (SATs) that are set for all children at the end of the primary stage of education. At our school we always focus on the positives and this week has been no exception. Our children have responded with the calm positivity that we instil in them regarding the tests because what matters most is the effort that they have put into their work and we are very proud of the way they responded to this first taste of formal examinations.

As a special relaxing afternoon treat following all their perseverance the children were taken to the Upton park for a relaxing games afternoon and Mrs Davies treated them all to an ice lolly. Here are the children showing how relaxed and happy they are, embracing positivity.





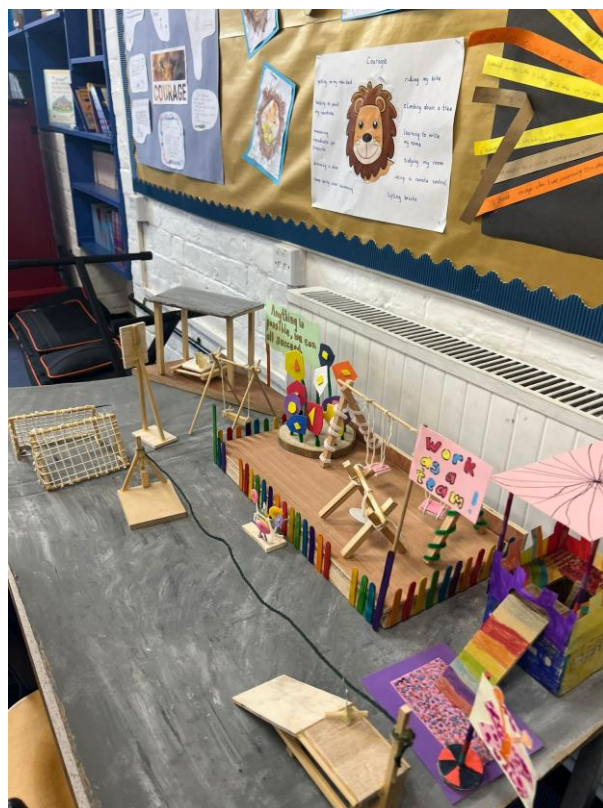




YEAR 6 STEM CHALLENGE

This week some of our Year 6 children took on Mrs Davies' STEM activity challenge to research, plan and create the perfect playground. They looked at our existing playground and discussed what they liked about it and ways that it could be improved. Next the children turned their thoughts to what their perfect playground might look like and then planned and created their own playground model.

They used a wide range of materials and media as well as safely using some hand tools. Their favourite creations are the play castle with ball pool, the zipline, swings and greenhouse.



YEAR 4 SEWING SKILLS

Year 4 have designed and made spy bugs. The children have persevered on their sewing skills to use either running stitch or over stitch. They look amazing! Well done Year 4.



YEAR 3 MINPINS

Year 3 made tiny houses for the Minpins, small people who live deep inside trees in the forest (according to Roald Dahl). Once the houses were complete, the children pretended to be estate agents and wrote glowing descriptions of their houses. The children had lots of fun making the houses and demonstrated great team work in working together.



THE MOORINGS - AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Booking forms for our wrap around care will be sent out during the beginning of next week. Please see grid below for details of activities taking place and light snacks that will be provided over the first two weeks:

WEEK 1 - TUESDAY 6TH TO FRIDAY 9TH JUNE 2023					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ACTIVITY					
CRAFT	Salt painting	Loom bands	Salt painting	Foil art	Baking
OUTDOOR	Catch the flag	Childrens' choice	Group games	Rounders	Bingo
SNACK	Beans on toast	Fruit loaf	Scotch pancakes	Toasted waffles	Hot Dogs (tin sausages)

WEEK 2 - MONDAY 12TH TO FRIDAY 16TH JUNE 2023					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ACTIVITY					
CRAFT	Baking	Miniature beach models	Childrens'	Sea scape	Miniature beach models
OUTDOOR	Scavenger hunt	Obstacle course	Choice Multi-sports	painting Group games	Childrens' choice
SNACK	Cheese and Crackers	Jam on toast	Scones (plain or fruit)	Wraps (cheese or ham)	Crumpets

ST RICHARDS HOSPICE CHARITY MALVERN WALK - PERSEVERANCE IN ACTION

This weekend Teddy and I will be taking part in the St Richards Hospice charity walk. This walk spans the Malvern Hills from one end to the other and is 11 miles in total. In order to ensure that Teddy (and myself) are ready for an 11 mile walk we have been '*persevering*' each evening over the last few weeks (whatever the weather) building up our stamina to ensure we can manage the distance over the hills. Teddy has really enjoyed these training walks and we are hoping for some lovely dry weather for our Saturday challenge. Further information on the charity walk and the work that St Richards do can be found on their website as follows:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/malvernhillswalk2023>



COMMUNITY NOTICES

FAMILIES HEREFORD & WORCESTER

The link to the May/June issue of the Families magazine is: [Magazine Link](#)

Upton upon Severn

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