

**WEEK COMMENCING**  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025**



**BLUE DINNER MENU**

# WEEKLY NEWS



**THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025**

## MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup>

- Private music lessons with Alex, am
- Forest School - Year 3, pm

**After School Club** - Drawing with Mrs Langdon

## TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup>

- Forest School, pm - Year 1 & 4, pm

**After School Club** - Goal Getters - Y2- Y6  
Story Club with Miss Smith

## WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup>

- Open the Book
- Reception & Y1 - Scribbleton Trip, am
- Private Rock Steady music lessons, am
- NO Swimming for R, Y3 & Y5
- Forest School - Year 6, pm

**After School Club** - Y6 SATs with Mr Lovelass  
Arts with Miss Baugh

## THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup>

- Private drumming lessons, am
- Forest School, pm - Reception
- Visit from Exmoor Zoo for KS1, pm

**After School Club** - Brumble Rumble with Mrs Brown

## FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup>

**After School Club** - Choir with Mrs Brayley

**Life, Love &  
Learning to the Full**

Dear Parents/Carers

Taking risks can be a great way to try new things and learn more about the world. This week in assemblies we have been talking about taking risks – thinking carefully about which risks are positive ones like trying out for a new club or sharing an idea, and which ones are

negative risks that might put our safety at risk. When we take positive risks, we become braver and discover our hidden talents, while negative risks might lead to problems we can avoid. We encourage the children to talk to a trusted adult if they are ever unsure about a risk they're thinking of taking.



Today we have been taking part in Internet Safety Day. We all came together to learn more about how to stay safe online. Teachers shared tips about keeping our personal information private, being kind to others on the internet, and knowing when to ask for help if something doesn't seem right. It was a fun and informative day that showed just how important it is to look out for each other, both in school and online.

The Year Five children have been having a fantastic time in London this week! They've explored the magic of the Harry Potter Studios and the rich history of the Tower of London, and last night they were captivated by the theatre production of *Matilda!* Today, they're off to the Natural History Museum, with a visit to the Science



Museum scheduled for tomorrow before returning to Umberleigh Village Hall at approximately 6:30 pm.

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We know they will return brimming with stories of adventure and wonder. I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs Cook for accompanying the children. Her selfless dedication and willingness to give up so much of her own time have made these enriching experiences possible. Thank you, Mrs Cook!





Best wishes

Corrinne Smith – Head of School

## Celebration of Achievement

<p>Squirrels</p> 	<p>Well done to Marley for being the Squirrel Star of the Week. This week Marley has been really enthusiastic when exploring our past monarchs and has been great at roleplaying. Good job Marley! Also, a big well done to Wilbur, for receiving a Persevering Parrot certificate for his hard work in phonics. The hard work is paying off and Wilbur is making great progress. Keep up the hard work! Freddie has 'Bee'n Amazing' this week. He has been helping his classmates and reassuring people when they are feeling down. Thank you for being so kind Freddie. Lastly, we have a 'Doodle Superstar' this week which goes to Frida, well done this is great!</p>
<p>Hedgehogs</p> 	<p>Well done to Zebedee for achieving the Thinking Tortoise for work in maths this week. He has been able to apply previously learnt knowledge in fraction lessons this week. Congratulations to Emmy for reaching 1500 stars on Doodle Spell and to Flora for reaching a whopping 5000 stars on Doodle Spell and 4500 stars on Doodle maths. Top Doodler this week goes to Flora.</p>
<p>Foxes</p> 	<p>Errol has achieved the Thinking Tortoise for independence in his writing and successfully using a dictionary to check spellings for his story writing. Congratulations to Ethan for reaching 100 stars on Doodle Spell and Arthur for achieving an amazing 2000 stars and Orla for 1500 stars. A big well done to Archie for reaching 500 stars, Kaydon and Paige for reaching 1000 on Doodle Maths. Congratulations to Evie for practicing Doodle Times tables and reaching 300 stars. Orla has also achieved 40 merits and Lily 20 merits. Well done!</p>
<p>Owls</p> 	<p>Well done to Michael for earning the working together walrus learning power. Michael has been working really hard and has completed some tough maths work independently. Well done to Daniel for earning the Thinking Tortoise learning power. Daniel has been really proactive with his learning by presenting his work considerately and writing down his explanations clearly. Congratulations to Isaac for being our Top Doodler this week. Well done to Betsy for achieving Ready Reader 12!</p>

**20 Merits - Eli**  
**40 Merits - Toby**

## Lunch Menu Change – Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> February

Please can we request that **ALL Brumble Bee children bring a packed lunch to pre-school tomorrow**, due to our lunch being cooked off site and delivery may be later than Brumbles usual lunch time.

Please note that there will be **NO jacket potato options tomorrow** for school aged children for ease of transportation.

Thank you for your understanding.



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## Reminder: - Squirrels visit to Scribbleton

Miss Baugh has organised a morning visit for Squirrels to Scribbleton in Winkleigh on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Please consent for your child to attend this trip via Arbor by Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Feb!



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## Swimming Lessons After Half Term

It's the turn of our **Reception, Year 3 and Year 5 children** to attend swimming lessons on Wednesday afternoons after half term. Unfortunately, their first session planned for Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February has been cancelled due to swimming pool closure for maintenance work. This session has been re-arranged for Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, so children will receive 2 sessions that week.



Swimming lessons for this group are planned to commence on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

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## Hedgehog & Owl Trip to St. Nicholas Priory, Exeter – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

You should have received an emailed letter with details of this trip yesterday. Please make sure you consent for your child to attend this trip via Arbor by Fri 14<sup>th</sup> March. **If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals and you would like them to receive a school packed lunch for this trip, please order through the school office by Fri 14<sup>th</sup> March.**

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**Reminder to support us when you shop at Barnstaple  
Tesco stores please!**

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### **Goal Getters After School Club**

A reminder for Reception to Year 3 children to book their place to attend Tuesdays after school club commencing after half term!

Bookings also open for Year 2 – Year 6 after Easter. No session for Year 6 on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May due them being on their residential.

To book please see attached booking form and contact Goal Getters directly to make payment and have space confirmed.



### **Parents Evening**

We will be holding parent/teacher meetings on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March** with 10-minute appointments available from 3.40pm – 6pm.

Please sign up for an appointment with your child's class teacher via Arbor. Meeting slots are open and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.



### **Office Hours After Half Term**

Mrs Jones will be away from the office for 6 weeks but Mrs Stuttard will be covering any office enquiries and needs on Tuesday mornings, Friday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

The office emails and phone will be manned on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings by central team staff members. Please only contact the office on these days to report absence or if there is an emergency.

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# Team Multi Academy Trust Vacancies



Apply Now Direct at: - <https://mynewterm.com/>

or for more information: - [TEAM Multi-Academy Trust - Vacancies](#)

<p><b>1.1 SEND TEACHING ASSISTANT</b> EDV/2025/BCPS/00597</p> <p>Beaford Community Primary &amp; Nursery School</p> <p>The appointed person will work in close partnership with the relevant class teachers and will help to support pupils to engage with their learning. In-service training will be provided where...</p> <p>📍 Beaford, Winkleigh, Devon, EX19 8LJ 🕒 Fixed Term   Part-Time £ £12.86 - £13.27 Hourly Grade: C   27.5 Hours per week (MONDAY TO FRIDAY 08:45AM - 3:30PM)   Fixed Term   38 weeks Term Time Only</p> <p>New • Apply by Midday, Monday 24th Feb, 2025 • Job start: ASAP</p>	 <a href="#">Apply Now</a>
<p><b>Meal Time Assistant</b> EDV/2025/UPA/01664</p> <p>Umberleigh Primary Academy</p> <p>The appointed person will work as part of a team of Meal Time Assistants managed by the Head of School. In-service training will be provided where appropriate.</p> <p>📍 Dorridge Hill, Umberleigh, Devon, EX37 9AD 🕒 Permanent   Part-Time £ £12.27 Hourly HOURS PER WEEK: 2 (12:10PM - 1:10PM MONDAY AND FRIDAY)   Grade A   38 weeks   Term time only</p> <p>8 Days Remaining • Apply by Midday, Friday 21st Feb, 2025 • Job start: ASAP</p>	 <a href="#">Apply Now</a>
<p><b>0.44 FTE KS1/Reception Classroom Teacher</b> EDV/2024/PIA/18612</p> <p>Pilton Infants' Academy</p> <p>We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic colleague to join a thriving primary school. The successful candidate will have a passion for teaching, the ability to inspire and enthuse pupils and a...</p> <p>📍 Abbey Road, Barnstaple, Devon, EX31 1JU 🕒 Permanent   Part-Time £ MPS/UPS</p> <p>20 Days Remaining • Apply by Midday, Wednesday 5th Mar, 2025 • Job start: 22nd April 2025</p>	 <a href="#">Apply Now</a>
<p><b>0.6 FTE Classroom Teacher</b> EDV/2025/BA/15095</p> <p>Internal Applicants ONLY</p> <p>Brayford Academy</p> <p>We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic colleague to join a thriving primary school. The successful candidate will have a passion for teaching, the ability to inspire and enthuse pupils and a...</p> <p>📍 Brayford, Barnstaple, Devon, EX32 7QJ 🕒 Permanent   Part-Time £ Salary: MPS/UPS   HOURS: 0.60 FTE / 19.50 HPW   STATUS: PERMANENT / PART TIME</p> <p>New • Apply by Midday, Monday 24th Feb, 2025 • Job start: Monday 17th March 2025</p>	 <a href="#">Apply Now</a>
<p><b>Casual Afterschool Club Playworker</b> EDV/2025/WCEPA/22576</p> <p>Witheridge Church of England Primary Academy</p> <p>The appointed person will work in close partnership with the play leader to help provide quality after school provision for pupils. In-service training will be provided where appropriate. The...</p> <p>📍 Fore Street, Witheridge, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 8AH 🕒 Temporary   Part-Time £ £12.46 Hourly Grade: B   10 HPW (2HOURS PER DAY MONDAY TO FRIDAY 3:30PM - 5:30PM)   STATUS: TEMPORARY FIXED TERM LINKED TO ABSENCE COVER   TERM TIME ONLY</p> <p>New • Apply by Midday, Friday 21st Feb, 2025 • Job start: ASAP</p>	 <a href="#">Apply Now</a>

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# UMBERLEIGH ACADEMY MENU - SPRING 2025



	<b>Week 1:</b> 6/1, 27/1, 24/2, 14/3, 17/3	<b>Week 2:</b> 13/1, 3/2, 3/3, 24/3	<b>Week 3:</b> 20/1, 10/2, 10/3, 31/3
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Toad in The Hole</b> V – Vegetable Toad in the Hole Diced Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Cupcake	<b>Pork Sausages</b> V – Vegetarian Sausages Mash Potato, Baked Beans & or Veg Pancake with Fruit Topping	<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> V – Broccoli & Cheese Bake Vegetables & Salad Jam Sponge
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Beef Lasagne</b> V – Cheesy Pasta Garlic Bread, Peas & Sweetcorn Fruit Jelly, Fresh Fruit & Ice Cream	<b>Beef Pasta Bolognese</b> V – Quorn Pasta Bolognese Peas & Carrots Iced Sponge	<b>Meatballs &amp; Pasta</b> V – Quorn Meatballs and Pasta Garlic Bread & Seasonal Veg Lemon & Strawberry Cheesecake
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Roast Pork</b> V – Cauliflower Cheese Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Scotch Pancake, Yogurt & Fruit	<b>Roast Gammon</b> V - Vegetarian Roast Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Fresh Fruit & Ice Cream	<b>Roast Turkey</b> V – Cheese & Onion Pie Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Fruit Salad & Choc Pot
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Chicken Curry</b> V – Vegetarian Curry Poppadum, Rice & Sweetcorn Lemon Drizzle Cake	<b>Chicken Fajita</b> V - Quorn Nugget Fajita Salad & Sweetcorn Chocolate Sponge & Custard	<b>Hunters Chicken</b> V – Macaroni Cheese Rice & Mixed Vegetables Sticky Toffee Pudding
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Oven Baked Fish</b> V – Vegetarian Nuggets Golden Fries & Seasonal Veg Flapjack	<b>Salmon Fish Cakes</b> V – Cheese Wheels Golden Fries & Seasonal Veg Cookie & Milkshake	<b>Fish Fingers</b> V – Veggie Fingers Golden Fries, Peas & Carrots Shortbread Biscuit

Main meal in **Bold**    V = Vegetarian Option  
 Available Everyday: - Jacket Potatoes with filled choices of Tuna, Cheese & / or Beans.    Yogurt Pots & Fresh Fruit  
 Brumble Bees - £1.95 per day    Infant Children – FREE    Junior Children - £2.55 per day

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WEBSITE:  
[www.umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

Facebook: @Umbereleigh Academy

Email: [admin@umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

**The School Office**

Emails & phone are only monitored between 8.30am and 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the school number: - 01769 540362. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.

**Please ONLY phone after 12.30pm if it is urgent!**

**Breakfast Club**

Please book in advance by 12pm every Friday for following week!

Time: - 7.45am - 8.45am

£4.00 per child

Payments will be added to your Arbor account



Dates for your Diary		
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Half Term	
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Squirrel Class visit to Scribbleton	am
<del>26<sup>th</sup> Feb</del>	<del>Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 &amp; 5</del>	<del>pm</del>
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 & 5	pm
6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 & 5	pm
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Hedgehogs & Owls Trip to St. Nicholas Priory	All day
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 & 5	pm
21 <sup>st</sup> march	Red Nose Day	
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Proms concert at Queens Theatre	1.30pm & 6pm
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 & 5	pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Rock Steady Music Concert @ V.Hall	9am – 9.45am
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Swimming Lessons – R, Y3 & 5 (Last)	pm
4 <sup>TH</sup> April	Family sharing morning – all classes	8.45am – 9.15am
4 <sup>th</sup> April	LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM	
7 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Holidays	
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	First Day of Summer Term	
5 <sup>th</sup> May	May bank Holiday – no school	
18 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 6 Bude Residential	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Family sharing morning – all classes	8.45am – 9.15am
26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term	
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Non-Pupil Day	
9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3&4 Wildside Residential	
22 <sup>ND</sup> July	Family sharing morning – all classes	8.45am – 9.15am
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	LAT DAY OF SUMMER TERM	

## TERM DATES 2025/2026

### AUTUMN TERM

- First day of term - Thursday 4th September 2025
- **Half Term** - Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025
- Last day of term - Friday 19th December 2025

### SPRING TERM

- First day of term - Tuesday 6th January 2026
- **Half Term** - Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
- Last day of term - Thursday 2nd April 2026

### SUMMER TERM

- First day of term - Monday 20th April 2026
- **Bank Holiday - May Day** - Monday 4th May 2026
- **Half Term** - Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026
- **Non Pupil Day** - Monday 1st June 2026
- Last day of term - Tuesday 21st July 2026

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# Community News

Any articles which appear in the school newsletter, that have not been organised by or on behalf of the school, have not been verified by TEAM Multi-Academy Trust as to the suitability for children. The news items are for parent information only.

The Really Useful Theatre Company Presents

## Ali the Barber and some thieves



UMBERLEIGH VILLAGE HALL

**Thurs 27th Feb - Sat 1st March**

Curtain up 7.30pm

£10  
incl. ploughmans Supper

**Matinee: Sat 1st March 2.30pm**

£2

TICKET SALES at UMB. VILLAGE HALL  
Sat 1st Feb 10am - 12am  
Wed and Sat from 5th Feb 10am - 11am



## Umberleigh Village Hall



Please join us for some egg-citing fundraising!

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

**Doors Open 6.45pm**

Eyes Down 7.30pm



Raffle  
Tea/Coffee/Biscuits  
Funds raised for  
Umberleigh Primary School



Chittlehampton

# BIG Breakfast



Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May

@

Umberleigh Village Hall

9am - 12pm

Full English Breakfast including cereal, toast, fruit juice & tea / coffee



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£10.00 per person ~ £5.00 per child under 10 years

Please book tickets in advance by 7<sup>th</sup> May with Emily on: - 07485142756



Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April

At

Umberleigh Village Hall

Eyes Down 7.30pm



One / Two Line & Full House Prizes  
Plus Lots of Raffle Prizes to **WIN!**

Tea / Coffee & Biscuits

Everyone Welcome!



Proceeds to Chittle YFC