

WEEK COMMENCING

THIS SCHOOL IS A **Day 3rd March 2025**



RED DINNER MENU

WEEKLY NEWS



THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2025

Monday 3rd

- Private music lessons with Alex, am
- Forest School - Year 2, pm

After School Club - Drawing with Mrs Langdon

TUESDAY 4th

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

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

WEDNESDAY 5th

- Private Rock Steady music lessons, am
- Swimming for R, Y3 & Y5
- Forest School - Year 6, pm

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

THURSDAY 7th

- Private drumming lessons, am
- Forest School, pm - Reception

After School Club - Brumble Rumble with Mrs Brown

FRIDAY 8th

After School Club - Choir with Mrs Brayley

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Learning to the Full**

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term and we are all pleased to see some Spring sunshine. This week in assembly we have been talking about the importance of resilience. Resilience is a child's ability to bounce back from challenges, adapt to difficult situations, and thrive despite adversity. It is not an inborn trait but a skill that can be nurtured over time through supportive relationships, positive experiences, and the development of coping strategies. Children who develop resilience are better equipped to handle stress, overcome setbacks, and face life's uncertainties with confidence. It fosters emotional strength, problem-solving abilities, and a positive mindset, which contribute to lifelong mental well-being. We work hard at school to build the children's resilience by creating a safe and welcoming environment where positive relationships are built.

Before half term, Mr Polak our Director of Education visited the school. He looked through the children's history books and talked to the children about their experiences in school. He was very impressed with the work produced by the children and their positive attitudes to learning. Later this term, we will be receiving a visit from Mr Neil Swait as part of our TEAM school review cycle. Mr Swait is an Ofsted Inspector who has worked with TEAM to monitor the work of all schools in the trust for a number of years now. Whilst these reviews are challenging, there is also a critical level of support from TEAM that enables Umberleigh to thrive.

The rest of the term is set to be quite busy so please keep up to date with the newsletter dates, Arbor and emails from the front office. If you need more information about anything then please ask.

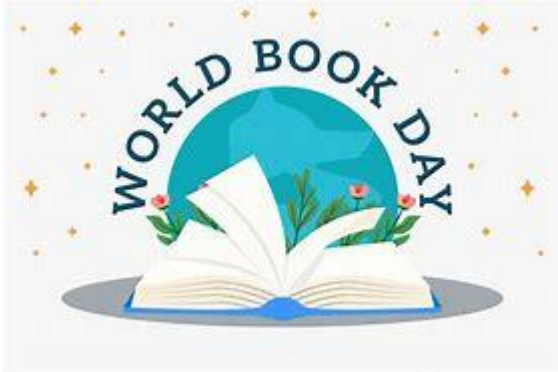
Best wishes Corrinne Smith

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World Book day – **MARCH 6TH**

Next Thursday is National World Book Day and the children have already been given a book token to spend. We enjoy taking these opportunities to promote a love of reading and give the children a chance to develop this essential lifelong skill. We invite the children to come to school this day dressed as their favourite book character. During the day the children will take part in book activities including a quiz designed and run by the year six children.







Swimming Lessons This 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 26th February has been cancelled due to swimming pool closure for maintenance work. This session has been re-arranged for Tuesday 1st April, so children will receive 2 sessions that week.

Swimming lessons for this group are planned to commence on Wednesday 5th March.



Celebration of Achievement

<p>Squirrels</p> 	<p>Well done to Scarlett for receiving the Star of the Week award. She is always very dedicated to her work and has great ambition to become even better. Well done to George for receiving the Persevering Parrot award. He has been trying really hard in his maths and never gives up. Well done to Bessie for receiving the You've Bee-n Amazing award. Bessie is always playing fairly in the playground and has been inviting new friends to play with her. Well done Squirrel Class!</p>
<p>Hedgehogs</p> 	<p>Well done to Thomas for achieving the Persevering Parrot for determination and concentration. Well done to <u>Cece</u> for receiving the Curious Cheetah for using her imagination in writing this week and for including the writer's knowledge. Congratulations to Zebedee and Poppy for reaching 1500 stars on Doodle Spell.</p>
<p>Foxes</p> 	<p>Congratulations to James; he is our 'Persevering Parrot' this week. He has been using expanded noun phrases in his writing independently. Mal has achieved 1000 stars on Doodle spell and <u>Kaydan</u> has achieved 1500 stars on Doodle tables. Well done <u>Kaydan</u>, he is our Top Doodler this week :)</p>
<p>Owls</p> 	<p>Well done to Emmie for earning the Curious Cheetah award. Emmie has shown a curiosity for learning which is enabling her to make links across lessons. Well done to Emmie for earning 4000 stars in Doodle Spell. Well done to Betsy for achieving ready reader 13. Well done to Freddie for earning the Curious Cheetah award for his imaginative writing.</p>

40 merits - Freddie

60 merits - Zebedee



WANTED

Mrs Langdon/The Fox class would like donations of cereal boxes and kitchen rolls. This is for a Design & Technology project.

Thank you

Hedgehog & Owl Trip to St. Nicholas Priory, Exeter – Tuesday 18th March

You should have received an emailed letter with details of this trip before half term. Please make sure you consent for your child to attend this trip via Arbor by Fri 14th 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 14th March.**



TESCO

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



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 have now been extended to include Years 4-6 this term.

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 11th, Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th 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.



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Office Hours

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.

Team Multi Academy Trust Vacancies



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

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

The poster is titled "TEAM Multi-Academy Trust Vacancies" and features a central white box with a blue border. Inside the box, on the left, is the TEAM Multi-Academy Trust logo, which is a green tree with the text "TEAM MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST" around it. To the right of the logo is a green banner with the text "Life, Love and Learning to the Full". Below the logo and banner are several logos of partner schools, including Swinbridge, Pilton, and others. Below these logos is the text "Part of TEAM MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST". In the center of the box, it says "APPLY NOW DIRECT WITH mynewterm". Below that, it says "For more information and how to apply directly with My New Term please visit our website". At the bottom of the box, it provides two URLs: "https://www.teamacademytrust.com/vacancies" and "https://mynewterm.com".

We currently have 1 vacancy available at Team Multi-Academy Trust:

0.44 FTE KS1/Reception Classroom Teacher at Pilton Infants' Academy.

A graphic showing three speech bubbles hanging from a string with clothespins. The first bubble says "Join", the second says "our", and the third says "team". Below the string are six small stick figures.

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UMBERLEIGH ACADEMY MENU - SPRING 2025



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

Find Us On

WEBSITE:
www.umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk

Facebook: @Umbereleigh Academy

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

Preloved
Clothing & Toy
Sale



Saturday 15th March
10am-12pm
£5 Per Table
In aid of
Kidney Research
Coffee & Cake available

Please message Nicola on
07808520623 to
book a table



Umberleigh Village Hall

Easter BINGO

Please join us for some egg-citing fundraising!

Thursday 27th March
Doors Open 6.45pm
Eyes Down 7.30pm

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

 Chittlehampton 

BIG Breakfast



Saturday 10th 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 7th May with Emily on: -07485142756

Easter BINGO

Thursday 17th 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

PAUL'S FUN
QUIZ NIGHT
 Raising funds for
 Umberleigh Academy

THURS 6TH MARCH £3 per entry
 7pm

The Rising Sun, Umberleigh

Up to 6 people per team

Book your table now!
 Call 01769 560447
 or email
 info@theriser.online

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TRAIN FRIDAY EVENINGS
 AT SOUTH MOLTON RFC
 GAMES ON SUNDAY'S



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 TEAMWORK**

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 NO MATTER YOUR FITNESS LEVEL
 COME AND JOIN US**



PLEASE CONTACT BARNABY, COACH U9'S:
 MOBILE 07792 670843

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⚠️ SAVE THE DATE - YOUR LOCAL VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU! ⚠️

Umberleigh Village Hall is participating in ACRE Action with Communities in Rural England annual village halls week and is hosting a village hall open coffee morning to encourage 'Friends of Umberleigh Village Hall' on Saturday 15th March 2025 from 10am to 12pm

All welcome, come along to see how you can help whilst enjoying a free cup of tea or coffee and cake of course ☐🍰🍪

Umberleigh village hall is run by a small team of local volunteers who commit a lot of their time for the benefit of the local community. They host wonderful events and raise lots of money that not only supports the community but ensures the hall remains at the heart of our community too. But as you would imagine, this is no mean feat and to ensure it continues we need your help.

How can you help?

- ▶️ Come along and become a Friend of Umberleigh Village Hall
- ▶️ Volunteer some of your time, no matter how small, to help at the hall
- ▶️ Spread the word and encourage others to get involved

Got an idea or want to help, even if that's only for a short time here or there, then please come along.

Many hands make light work!

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