



Ulcombe Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

Term 4, Week 1

Diary Week Beginning **Monday 3rd March 2025**



Day	Date	Event
Monday	3 rd	Owlets to wear active uniform Tawny Owls to wear active uniform 3.15-4:00pm – Football Club 
Tuesday	4 th	Barn Owls to wear active uniform Library Van in Lay-by
Wednesday	5 th	Tawny Owls to wear active uniform
Thursday	6 th	Owlets to wear active uniform Barn Owls to wear active uniform Year 4 & Sensory Swimming – please remember costume, towel & £3.00 swim money
Friday	7 th	<p>ASPIRE World Book Day Dress as a book character or come in your PJs or own clothes 8:45-9:00am – Parents to join children in school to read & share books together</p>  <p>FUS Wonka Bars £2 each (maximum 2 per child) Gold/Silver Prize Tickets inside</p> <p>2:45-3:15pm – Celebration worship, everyone welcome</p> 

Message from Miss Hickling

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day next Friday - please see a message below from our Aspire English lead - Mrs Scarry.

READ YOUR WAY!

World Book Day is fast approaching! Due to swimming lessons taking place on Thursday, the ASPIRE Schools will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 7th March**.

The theme for this year's World Book Day is 'read your way'. Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform - this could be dressed as a book character, wearing pyjamas, or simply in comfy clothes. All children will receive a book token which can be used at a number of supermarkets and bookshops.

New Head of School

Myself and a panel consisting of Governors, a KCC representative and a representative from the diocese have appointed a new Head of School for Ulcombe who will start after Easter.

The new Head of School is Mrs Parsons who I have worked with before when I was leading Offham Primary School. I am really looking forward to working with her again.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being full time at Ulcombe but do need to return to my role as Executive Headteacher of Aspire.

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Mrs Parsons will be based at Ulcombe for four days a week after Easter and I will be at Ulcombe for two days a week, ensuring that there is always a Head of School on site and meaning that we can work together. This arrangement will continue until September when Mrs Parsons will take over the role full time.

I know you will join me in welcoming Mrs Parsons to Ulcombe. Mrs Parsons is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Offham, she lives locally and has two small sons.

This week we have been discussing fairness, and how we can play our part in ensuring everyone is treated fairly both in and outside of school. We have discussed fair trade and what that means for people working around the world.

We have shared this prayer with the children.

Dear God,

We pray for those people around the world who grow and produce the things we eat and buy.

We pray that they get a fair price for the things we buy from them.

We pray that we can help support these people by buying Fairtrade goods so that we can help create a better and more just world.

Amen

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Weekly Awards

	Owlets	Barn Owls	Tawny Owls
Star of the week (nominated by staff)	Thomas	Harry	Sarahjane
Christian Value (nominated by pupils)	Trust award to Luke. Nominated by Vienna.	Respect award to Joseph. Nominated by George & Paddy.	Endurance award to Holly. Nominated by Honey.

Christian Values Awards

Children are awarded raffle tickets when they show signs of our Christian values. Please talk to your child to find out how they earned their tickets.

All of the tickets are added together at the end of the week and converted into house points.

Owlets

Endurance: Jacob, Derick, Johnny 2, Vienna, Luke

Respect: Italia, Jacob, Jimmy D, Luke 3, Vienna, Jimmy N, Shay, Teddy, Johnny, Thomas 2

Hope: Vienna, Derick, Presley Teddy, Johnny, Thomas

Trust: Luke, Vienna, Jimmy N. Delilah, Derick 6, Arthur, Frank, Presley 3, Thomas 1

Barn Owls

Endurance: Eli 2, Cara, Erica 2, April, Bonnie, Annie, Albert, Rebecca, George H, Casey

Respect: George A, Eli, Miley, Alfie, Annabella, Angelina 4, Cara 2, Aaron 2, Robyn 2, Erica 4, Paddy, Freddie-Joe, April 2, Bonnie 2, Harry 2, Joseph 7, Annie 3, Albert 2, Rebecca 3, George H 2, Casey 4

Trust: Eli, Annabella, Angelina, Cara, Erica 2, Harry, Paddy

Hope: Erica 2, Tommy, Freddie-Joe, Lacey, Scarlett, Harry, Olivia

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Tawny Owls

Endurance: Honey 2, Phoebe, Sarahjane, Margaret, Hugh, Paul C, Olivia, Belle, Holly 2, Miley M, Tilly 2, Willow 2, Miley S 2, Jackson 3

Respect: Honey 4, Phoebe 2, Paul H 2, Elvie, Sarahjane 4, Margaret 4, Ruby 2, Hugh 4, Absey, Valintina, Millie, Paul C 2, Olivia 3, Belle 2, Holly 3, Miley M 3, Tilly 3, Willow 3, Miley S 3, Jackson 3

Hope: Sarahjane, Miley M

Trust: Paul H, Margaret, Hugh 2, Paul C, Olivia, Holly, Miley M, Tilly, Jackson 2

Bronze Award

Well done to the following children for receiving their **Bronze** Christian Value certificate after reaching 25 raffle tickets for:

Endurance: Tilly
Respect: Ruby Rose & Aaron
Trust: Eli



Gold Award

Well done to the following children for receiving their **Gold** Christian Value certificate after reaching 75 raffle tickets for:

Respect: Angelina



Congratulations and thank you for consistently showing our Christian values.

House Points

Doves	Eagles	Ravens
50	73	79
Term 4 Totals		
50	73	79



Attendance and Punctuality

Our attendance winners this week are Barn Owls with 86.5% - Well Done!! Tawny Owls came second with 76.09% and Owlets had 72.99% attendance. This gave us a whole school attendance of 78.85%.

The best punctuality goes to Tawny Owls with only 2 late arrivals! Barn Owls had 4 and Owlets 5. Remember, please keep us informed if your child is off school or the absence will be unauthorised.

Spring Celebration – Ulcombe Church Saturday 1st March (12 noon)

If you'd like to throw off the winter blues this weekend, visit Ulcombe Church for bubbles and nibbles and see the glory of their spring primroses in bloom.

Please see attached flyer for more details.



Brigade Uniform Sale

Our uniform providers, Brigade, are having a sale on a few items of Aspire uniform. These items are discounted online but we're able to offer you an even better discount. All items are branded with either the Aspire Federation logo or Aspire wording.

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For more details and to see the products, please visit
<https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/school/UL5141PD/>

Black Sports Legging	Was £18.74	Now £12
Black Sports Shorts	Was £11.45	Now £7
Black Sports Skort	Was £17.45	Now £11
Black Jogging Bottoms	Was £13.95	Now £9

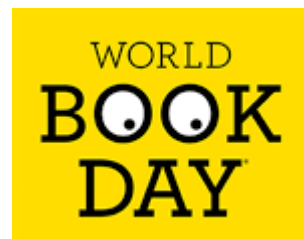


All of these items are in stock and available through the school office.

World Book Day - Parents in to read - Friday 7th March

As part of World Book Day on Friday 7th March, we would like to invite parents to come in to read with their children from 8:45am to 9:00am. Children are also invited to come to school dressed as a book character wearing pyjamas or simply in their own clothes.

All children will receive a book or a book token which can be used in a number of supermarkets and bookshops.



Wonka Bars – Friday 7th March

Next Friday FUS will be selling Wonka Chocolate Bar for £2 each (maximum of 2 per child). A handful of the bars will contain hidden gold and silver tickets inside. Children have a chance to win great prizes if they find the hidden tickets.



Please see attached flyer for more information.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 7th March – International Women's Day Football Tournament (invited children only)

Friday 7th March – World Book Day Activities

Friday 7th March – FUS Wonka Bars

Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day

Wednesday 26th March – Purple Epilepsy Day

Friday 28th March – FUS Mothering Sunday Stall

Friday 4th April – Easter Church Service (AM)

Friday 4th April – FUS Easter Egg Hunt (PM)

Wednesday 23rd April – Tawny Owls Dover Castle Trip

