



Ulcombe Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

Term 2, Week 5

Diary Week Beginning Monday 9th December 2024

Day	Date	Event	
Monday	9 th	Tawny Owls to wear active uniform 2:15pm – Year 4/5 Brain Buddies Information Session 3:15-4:30pm – Football Club (last session this term)	
Tuesday	10 th	Owlets to wear active uniform Barn Owls to wear active uniform Library Van in layby 3:15-4:30pm – Gymnastics Club (last session this term)	
Wednesday	11 th	Owlets to wear active uniform Tawny Owls to wear active uniform	
Thursday	12 th	Barn Owls to wear active uniform including a change of shoes No Swimming 3:15-4:30pm – Young Voices Club (last session this term)	
Friday	13 th	<p style="text-align: center;">Nativity at Ulcombe Church Please collect your child at 1:45pm from their classroom</p>	

Message from Miss Hickling

As we come to the last two weeks of term, please make sure you take note of all the Christmas events that are coming up.

A reminder term finishes for the children on Thursday 19th December and school starts again on Monday 6th January 2025.

Just a reminder as it still seems to be an issue - chewing gum is not allowed in school. Children will be asked to put it in the bin if they have it.

Again a reminder of uniform - royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with black trousers, skirt, joggers or leggings and a white t-shirt. We understand that for the odd day your child may need to wear something else but in the main we do expect them to be in uniform. Please contact the school if you need support in providing uniform for your child.

If your child wishes to play on the field, please make sure they have wellies or spare trainers in school as the field is muddy and wet - thank you.





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This week we have been talking about Jesus and all that he promised to be at the time.

Isaiah 9:7

Of the greatness of his government and peace
there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the Lord Almighty
will accomplish this.

As we look forward to Christmas through Advent, we will be focussing on the prophecy of Isaiah about what the promised Messiah would be like and who he would be. The words of Isaiah say that he will be a king like David and rule over David's Kingdom for ever. He will be a greater and more enduring king that even David was able to be.

Christians believe that in God's kingdom, everything is good and fair.

Christians are called to bring God's Kingdom to earth here and now, in the way that they love and treat others. At Advent, as at all times, we will continue to pray 'Your Kingdom come' (words in the Lord's prayer), remembering that Jesus is the king who is coming to reign on David's throne.

TRUST RESPECT HOPE ENDURANCE

Weekly Awards

	Owlets	Barn Owls	Tawny Owls
Star of the week (nominated by staff)	Joseph S	Aaron	Miley S
Christian Value (nominated by pupils)	Respect award to Francesca. Nominated by Annie.	Trust award to Freddie-Joe. Nominated by Alfie.	Endurance award to Honey. Nominated by Millie.

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: Italia, Jacob, Luke, Vienna, Noah, Nancy, Francesca, Georgi, Shay, John, Derick, Arthur, Frank, Presley, Teddy, Joseph, Johnny, Jimmy

Respect: Jacob, Vienna, Noah, Nancy, Georgi, Shay, Derick, Ruby, Joseph, Harry

Hope: Vienna, Joseph, Jimmy

Trust: Italia, Jimmy





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Barn Owls

Endurance: Aaron, Alfie 4, Angelina 4, Annabella, Annie, April, Cara 2, Eli, Erica, Freddie-Joe, George H, Miley 4, Paddy 2, Rebecca 2, Robyn 2, Tommy

Respect: Aaron 2, Albert 3, Alfie 4, Angelina 7, Annabella, Annie 2, April 5, Bonnie 3, Cara 5, Casey 5, Eli 4, Erica 4, Freddie-Joe 2, George H 4, Harry 2, Joseph 4, Miley 6, Paddy 5, Olivia 3, Rebecca 2, Robyn 4, Scarlett, Tommy 4

Hope: Aaron 4, Angelina 2, Annabella 3, Annie, Cara, Casey, Paddy 2, Rebecca, Robyn

Trust: Albert, Alfie 2, Angelina 3, Annabella, Annie, April, Cara 3, Casey 2, Eli, Erica 2, Paddy 3, Olivia, Rebecca, Robyn, Scarlett, Tommy 4

Tawny Owls

Endurance: Absey, Valentina, Millie, Paul C, Honey, Phoebe, Paul H, Olivia, Belle 3, Holly 2, Ruby, Evalyn 4, Tilly, Willow, Miley, Jackson

Respect: Valentina 2, Honey 3, Phoebe, Ruby, Evalyn, Jackson,

Hope: Millie, Ruby, Jackson

Trust: Absey, Valentina, Millie 3, Honey, Phoebe, Paul H, Olivia, Belle, Holly, Ruby, Evalyn, Tilly 2, Willow, Miley, Jackson

Bronze Award

Well done to **Joseph W** for reaching 25 raffle tickets for **respect!** Congratulations and thank you for being so incredibly respectful to other people and the school environment.

House Points

	Doves	Eagles	Ravens
	93	84	64
Term 2 Totals			
	379	369	244

Attendance and Punctuality

Our attendance winners this week are Barn Owls with 85% - Well Done!! Owlets came second with 81.44% and Tawny Owls had 70.24% attendance. This gave us a whole school attendance of 79.29%.

The best punctuality goes to Owlets with only 3 late arrivals! Tawny Owls came second with 4 and Barn Owls had 7 late arrivals. Remember, please keep us informed if your child is off school or the absence will be unauthorised.



Phonelines – Monday 9th December

We are upgrading our phoneline so the school telephone number will be out of order from approximately 9-10am on Monday morning. If you need to get in touch with us, please email office@ulcombekentsch.co.uk. Thanks.





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Nativity at Ulcombe Church – Friday 13th December (2pm – collect your child at 1:45pm)

We're excited to share with you our Nativity Service at Ulcombe Church on **Friday, 13th December**. This is a wonderful time for us to come together and celebrate Christmas.

The service will start at 2:00pm but we would be very grateful if you collect your child from the school at **1:45pm** (via their classrooms) and transport them to the church. Unfortunately, we don't have use of the minibus so if you could arrange among yourselves to transport as many children as possible, we would really appreciate it. Any children who are unable to be transported will be walked up/driven up to the church by a member of staff.

Thank you in advance for all your help and co-operation and we hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us. All children must be collected from church at the end of the service (by **3:00pm**).

For more details, please see the letter sent home today.

Christmas Events

Just in case you didn't see the Christmas Newsletter sent earlier this week, please see the attached flyers for details of all the amazing Christmas events taking place over the next couple of weeks.

FUS would really appreciate a **£4 contribution** towards the Christmas activities (gifts from Father Christmas, Christmas headgear and Father Christmas game). Please send this into school by **Monday 9th December**. Many thanks for your support.

On **Wednesday 18th December** FUS will be hosting a Christmas Fun Afternoon (children only) where the children can take part in Christmas games, the chocolate tombola and buy snacks and drinks. If you'd like your child to join in, please spent them into school with **spending money** on this day.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 9th December – £4 contribution to Christmas Activities (present, headgear & game)

Monday 9th December (2:15pm) – Year 4/5 Brain Buddies Information Session

Friday 13th December (2pm) – Nativity at Ulcombe Church

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Fair (Children only – please send your child into school with spending money on this date)

Thursday 19th December – Last Day of Term

Monday 6th January 2025 – Start of Term 3

Monday 3rd February 2025 – Young Voices

14th February 2025 – End of Term Movie Night

