

WEEK COMMENCING

Monday 15th April 2024



BLUE DINNER MENU



MONDAY 15th

- Private Music lessons, am
- Science Teacher visit for Owls, am
- Forest School - Year 3, pm

After School Club

Animation with Mrs Westwood

TUESDAY 16th

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

After School Clubs

Goal Getters for Foxes & Owls

Drawing with Mrs Langdon

WEDNESDAY 17th

- Rock Steady Lessons, am
- Swimming Lessons, pm - Y1, Y2, Y4 & Y5
- Forest School - Year 6, pm

After School Clubs

SATs (year 6) with Miss Smith

Running (R - Y5) with Mr Lovelass

THURSDAY 18th

- Forest School - Year 1, pm

After School Club

Brumble Rumble with Mrs Brown

FRIDAY 19th

After School Club

Choir with Mrs Brayley

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the Full

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WEEKLY NEWS



THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a very busy Spring term learning about food, farming and everything related to this. The children always demonstrate an excellent attitude to their learning and come to school ready to learn and play. Thank you for supporting us and for instilling good learning habits and attitudes in your children; they really are a pleasure to teach. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff at Umberleigh Academy for all their hard work this term. The team at Umberleigh go above and beyond to ensure an excellent education and experiences for your children. Everything we do has the children at the heart of it. Happy Easter holidays to everyone; **we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 15th April.**

Best wishes,





Corrinne Smith



Thank you to our school council who have worked hard to arrange a fun Easter egg hunt for pupils today!



Celebration of Achievement

<p>Squirrels</p> 	<p>Well done Freddy Frogs reader of the week Ophelia. You have been reading the words speedily in our story this week. Congratulations Paige for being a persevering parrot. You have worked hard in all of your learning this week. Well done Maisie on achieving our 'bee award'. You are very kind and helpful to everyone you meet.</p>
<p>Hedgehogs</p> 	<p>Well done to Malachi for earning the Neutron Lizard reading award! Well done to Arnie and Errol for earning the curious cheetah learning power. Both boys asked lots of questions during our school trip about what we were learning. Additionally, they did their own research at home prior to the trip which clearly enriched their learning. Well done to Lily for earning our Bee award. She always shows a respectful and polite attitude to all.</p>
<p>Foxes</p> 	<p>Congratulations to our readers this week; Ella has achieved Ready Reader 3, Isaac has achieved ready reader 1 and Thomas has achieved the Greenwood Glen Masey Mole Award. Our Doodler's have been busy too! Dylan and Alfie G have achieved 500 stars on Doodle tables, Alfie G has also achieved his 1000 stars on Doodle Maths and Ella has achieved her 2000 on Doodle spell. Cece is our Thinking Tortoise this week; her topic work on Trade around the World is fantastic. Cece is always looking carefully and thinking about what she is learning and how best to present it. Well done Fox Class.</p>
<p>Owls</p> 	<p>Well done to Holly for reaching 1500 stars and to Cooper for achieving 1000 stars on Doodle Spell. Well done Daniel for reaching 2000 stars on Doodle maths. Congratulations to Eve for achieving Ready Reader 7, Charlie S for Ready Reader 8 and Dylan S for Ready Reader 9. Well done to Lily for achieving the Persevering Parrot for excellent work in Geography. Well done to Mamie for showing determination and courage on the high ropes. Well done to Ethan for excellent written work.</p>

Merits
20 Merits
Emilia
40 Merits
James, Emilia, Eve, Betsy



FUS NEWS

Dear All,

I just wanted to say a big thank you to everyone that helped with the FUS Easter Bingo either by attending/assisting on the night, donating raffle prizes, buying raffle tickets either in person or via family and friends. **We raised a brilliant £445.00.**

It's all the little gestures of help however large or small that enable FUS to provide financial assistance where needed in enhancing our children's school experiences.

As some of you may already know I am the School representative on Umberleigh Village Hall Committee and I recently became a Parish Councillor. With this in mind and with Ruby leaving this year I am looking for a new School Rep. Please feel free to message me or speak to me directly to find out more details if you are interested.

Hopefully I won't get trampled in the rush...haha

Best Wishes,
Paula (Ruby's Mum)



Exeter Chiefs Community Day – We had 18 children attend this fantastic day on Saturday along with a few Brayford children. They enjoyed training with the chiefs, having a tour of changing rooms, gym area etc and learning what happens behind the scenes. The afternoon was finished with the children creating a guard of honour for the players and watched their game against Newcastle before returning home.

Please check-out our Facebook Page for more photos: - www.facebook.com/Umberleighacademy



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LEARN AN INSTRUMENT THE FUN WAY!

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Weekly lessons take place in school time are a great way for your child to learn the songs they love, build confidence and have fun!

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Rocksteady teaches music as a language by listening, playing and learning together.

Children start to play from their very first lesson, making it inclusive and accessible.

There's no prior experience necessary.

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Rocksteady lessons are great fun, take place in school time and all instruments are provided. A highlight of the school week for £40.79 per month (no payment in August).

There's a money-back guarantee for the first month and you can cancel at any time.

REAL MUSICIANS AND EXAM-FREE QUALIFICATION

Rocksteady band leaders are highly trained professional musicians who know how to inspire a lifelong love of music.

Your child will work at their own pace, towards an official, exam-free music qualification and can learn up to 300 different musical skills. The longer your child stays with Rocksteady, the further they will progress!

REGULAR PERFORMANCES AND UPDATES

Your child will show off their progress at their end of term concerts to friends, teachers and parents.

You'll also get regular updates through your Parent Timeline and a termly round-up of all your child's achievements.

“My children have learned so much about music through just one term of Rocksteady. This is perhaps the most educational club/activity I've ever signed them up for.”
Corina

“Rocksteady has helped boost my daughter's confidence and self-esteem and gives her something to look forward to every week.”
Tina

“Bob counts down the days each week to Rocksteady band practice - he absolutely loves it and has grown in confidence so much since starting, which we are absolutely delighted about.”
Helen



Rock Steady Concert

More photos available to view via
our Facebook Page!

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NEW SUMMER MENU — Please see copy attached for your information. If you would like a paper copy, please collect from school reception!

	Week 1: 15/4, 6/5, 3/6, 24/6, 15/7	Week 2: 22/4, 13/5, 10/6, 1/7, 22/7	Week 3: 29/4, 20/5, 17/6, 8/7
Monday	Sausage Rolls V – Vegetable Sausage Roll Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Flapjack	Hot Dog V – Vegetarian Hot Dog Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans & Salad Lemon Drizzle	Pepperoni Pizza V – Cheese & Tomato Pizza Potato Wedges & Vegetables Fruit Filled Waffle Cone
Tuesday	Beef Burgers in a Bap V – Veggie Burger in a Bap Salad & Sweetcorn Sticky Toffee Meringue	Meatballs & Spaghetti V – Quorn Meatballs & Spaghetti Crusty Bread, Peas & Carrots Jelly Whip & Ice Cream	Beef Enchiladas V – Macaroni Cheese Garlic Bread & Salad Strawberry Cheesecake
Wednesday	Roast Pork V – Cauliflower Cheese Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Scotch Pancake & Fruit	Roast Gammon V – Lentil Loaf Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Fruit with a Choc Pot	Roast Turkey V – Vegetarian Roast Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Veg Peaches & Ice Cream
Thursday	Chicken Chow Mein V – Cheesy Pasta Bake Seasonal Vegetables Jelly, Fruit & Ice-Cream	Chicken Fajitas V – Quorn Nugget Fajitas Salad & Sweetcorn Iced Sponge	Katsu Curry V – Vegetable Curry Rice, Mixed Vegetables & Poppadum Muffin
Friday	Fish Fingers V – Vegetarian Nuggets Golden Fries & Salad Sticks Cookie	Salmon Fish Cakes V – Cheese Wheels Golden Fries & Salad Sticks Choc Ice	Oven Baked Fish V – Cheese Omelette Golden Fries & Salad Sticks Chocolate Cracknel

Main meal in Bold V = Vegetarian Option		
Available Everyday: - Jacket Potatoes with filled choices of Tuna, Cheese & / or Beans. Yogurt Pots & Fresh Fruit		
Bumble Bees - £1.94 per day	Infant Children – FREE	Junior Children - £3.00 per day

- If your child is poorly, please report their absence to the school office on 01769 540362 or email: - admin@umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk by 9.30am.
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance to the school office.
- Any other absence must be applied for via an absence request form.
- Please park considerately in our car parking area on drop off and pickups.



The School Office

Emails 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.

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Summer Term After School Clubs

Please sign up to our new after school clubs via Arbor unless instructed differently.

Clubs commence on Monday, 15th April and run until half term. Please book your child/rens clubs a directed below. Arbor bookings will open from 6am tomorrow morning!

Day	Club	Who can attend	Staff member	£ / Free	How to sign up
Monday	Animation	All Limited to 25	Mrs Westwood	FREE	Arbor
Tuesday	Goal Getters	Foxes & Owls (5/ 6 weeks) 16 th , 23 rd & 30 th April, 14 th & 21 st May Hedgehogs & Squirrels (6 weeks) 4 th , 11 th & 25 th June, 2 nd , 9 th & 16 th July	James from Goal Getters	£12.00 - 6 weeks (Y3,4 & %) £10.00 – 5 weeks (Y6) £12.00 - 6 weeks (No session on the 18 th June due to Sports Day)	Direct with Ross – see letter attached. <u>When you have confirmation of place with Ross please also sign up on Arbor!</u>
Tuesday	Drawing	All Limited to 25	Mrs Langdon	FREE	Arbor
Wednesday	SATs	Year 6	Miss Smith	FREE	Arbor
Wednesday	Running	Reception – Year 5 Limited to 25	Mr Lovelass	FREE	Arbor
Thursday	Brumble Rumble	All Limited to 25	Mrs Brown	FREE	Arbor
Friday	Choir	All	Mrs Brayley	FREE	Arbor

Please Note: If clubs are cancelled due to planned staff absence etc., we will inform you via the newsletter beforehand - please watch out for information sent home in this way. Outdoor clubs are sometimes cancelled at short notice when we will contact you by telephone.

If your child is signed up for a club, we will expect them to attend unless we are notified by phone or email to confirm.

This is to ensure that we are completely clear on home time arrangements for all children. After school clubs run from 3.30pm to 4.30pm, at which time children attending will need to be collected. Your child will not be able to attend the clubs unless you have given permission in advance.



Goal Getters After School Club – Summer Term

Please find attached NEW Summer Term Goal Getters booking form – please book your child/rens spaces direct with Ross

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Well done to Tom & Poppy for competing in the schools show jumping competitions on Sunday at Coxleigh Barton near

Barnstaple. They joined forces with two pupils from Pilton Infants and come 1st as a team in the 40cm class! This is a monthly competition which they will be attending until July's championships.



Find us On

WEBSITE:

www.umberleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk

Facebook: @umberleigh Academy

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

Club Leaders

Monday, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays - Mrs Burridge

Wednesday - Mrs Down

Brumble Bee Price Increase

From April 1st Brumble Bee hourly rates will increase to: -

2-year-old = £6.30

3-4-year-old = £5.22

Diary Dates

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2023/2024

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled.

These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

Wednesday 15 th – Friday 17 th May	Year 3 & 4 Wildside Residential
Sunday 19 th – Friday 24 th May	Year 6 Adventure Bude Residential
18 th June	Sports Day, 2pm
19 th June	Whole school photos & leavers
20 th June	Hedgehogs & Year 3's Lifeguard Day at Putsborough Beach
27 th June	Owls & Year 4's Lifeguard Day at Putsborough Beach
4 th July	Squirrels Lifeguard Day at Putsborough Beach
5 th July	Owls & Foxes Music Mix Festival at Bridwell Park
11 th July	E-Safety Day

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SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
FIRST DAY 6 th September 2023	FIRST DAY 3 rd January 2024	FIRST DAY 15 th April 2024
HALF TERM 23 rd – 27 th October 2023	HALF TERM 12 th – 16 th February 2024	BANK HOLIDAY 6 th May 2024
LAST DAY 15 th December 2023	LAST DAY 28 th March 2024	HALF TERM 27 th – 31 st May 2024
		NON PUPIL DAY 3 rd June 2024
		LAST DAY 23 rd July 2024
		LAST DAY 22 nd July 2025

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AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
FIRST DAY 5 th September 2024	FIRST DAY 7 th January 2025	FIRST DAY 22 nd April 2025
HALF TERM 28 th – 1 st November 2024	HALF TERM 17 th – 21 st February 2025	BANK HOLIDAY 5 th May 2025
LAST DAY 20 th December 2024	LAST DAY 4 th April 2025	HALF TERM 26 th – 30 th May 2025
		NON PUPIL DAY 2 nd June 2025
		LAST DAY 22 nd July 2025



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Easter Cooking Workshop

YMCA - SOUTH MOLTON
Friday 5th April 10 - 12

Bake 4 cute chick cupcakes!
Decorate an Easter basket
and fill with chocolate eggs!

£22.50 per child

Free tea / coffee for parents if staying

Call Olivia: 07938 608862 Email: olivia@cookstars.co.uk
Book: <https://cook-stars-north-devon.class4kids.co.uk>

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Just the Way We Are



An art exhibition about ageing
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Barnstaple Library Foyer

Saturday 30th March

9am - 1pm



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&



Table Top & Car Boot Sale

Umberleigh Village Hall

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Sunday 19th May 2024

Buyers: 10am-1pm

Sellers: from 8.30am

**£10 per table inside or
£10 per car outside**

Bacon rolls & refreshments available

Please book in advance as spaces are limited:



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www.umberleighvillagehall.co.uk

— ● South Molton RFC —

JUNIOR SECTION CHARITY AUCTION



South Molton rugby club are
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support the U13s rugby team to go
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Easter Hunt
Saturday 30th March
St Hieritha's Church
Chittlehampton
2-4pm

Find the letters to the spell out the Easter word and get a prize!
 £1 per child.
 Drinks and cakes on sale

Proceeds to the village play area & St Hierithas Church.
 We welcome donations of baked goods and prizes.



All funds raised for North Devon Hospice. Supporting Marie's fundraising for her incredible National 3 Peaks Challenge

Sat 20th April
10am - 2pm

Coffee, Cake & Table Top Sale
Filleigh Village Hall

£10 for table top selling space,
 please contact Marie on 07828267507
 or mezpalmer@hotmail.com

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FRIDAY 29TH MARCH
BUNNY HUNT

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 Magic Shows

Garden Trail
 Chocolate Prize
 Food & Drink

£8 Adults / £4.50 Child

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30 Hours/Working Entitlement Funding



IMPORTANT MESSAGE – DO NOT MISS OUT ON WORKING ENTITLEMENT FUNDING!

The working entitlement funding for 2, 3 and 4 year-olds is available for eligible families. It is important that if you have a child who will be 2 or 3 years old before 31st March or if your circumstances have changed, that you apply to HMRC (Childcare Service) now.

Please set-up or visit your [Gateway Account](#) immediately to apply or reconfirm. If you are unsure if you are entitled to the working entitlement, please check the [Eligibility Criteria](#).

It is important that you allow good time as any queries with new applications or reconfirmations could cause delays and any codes issued in April 2024 will not be funded in summer term 2024. Any start dates from 1st April 2024 will not be funded until autumn term 2024 and only then if you reconfirm by 31st August 2024.

If you have a code that needs to be reconfirmed, this should also be completed now, and if you are unsure, it is your responsibility to log into your Gateway Account and check. If you are newly eligible or are given a new code at reconfirmation, you need to take your 11-digit code to your provider who will complete a verification check and then confirm your funded space.

When eligibility ends, children who have accessed the working entitlement can continue to access their entitlement in the grace period. However, new children, who are 2 or 3 years old before 31st March, or start at a new setting, cannot start to use the working entitlement funding in the grace period if they are no longer eligible.

As part of the eligibility check with HMRC, you will be asked if you would like to register for Tax Free Childcare. You cannot register for Tax Free Childcare if you are in receipt of Universal Credit, Tax Credits or Childcare Vouchers. If you do register, your benefits may be stopped, and it can take several weeks to reinstate.

If you have problems accessing the system or completing your check, please call the HMRC Helpdesk on 0300 1234 097 (your provider and Devon County Council cannot assist with new applications or reconfirmations).

You may be able to access further help with childcare costs. Please visit the [Childcare Choices Website](#) for more information.

