



Uffculme Primary School

Ashley Road, Uffculme, Devon. EX15 3AY Tel: 01884 840282
admin@uffculmeprimary.bep.ac / website: uffculmeprimary.bep.ac

Spring 2024 CLASS NEWSLETTER

January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers of Children in Year 6,

Welcome back! We hope you all had an excellent Christmas holiday and a good start to the New Year with your family and friends. We have written this newsletter to give you further information on the expectations and routines in Year 6 this term.

In Year 6 this year, the teaching team are Mrs Hayman and Mrs Sugden; Mr Carpanini will continue to teach PE as well as teach French and RSE; Mrs Pethick will teach music. We pride ourselves on having an **open-door policy** so if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. If I am ever unavailable, please feel free to discuss any concerns with our Mrs Sugden as she will be more than happy to help.

We are extremely pleased with how well the children have settled into back into school after the Christmas break. They worked extremely hard on their DT projects last week. We have included a list of topics and a brief explanation for what we will be covering during each one in the table below.

Subject Area	Content	What we hope to find out and learn
English	Dragonology Tales from Outer Suburbia Women in Science Blackberry Blue	We will be developing our skills of non-chronological report writing, narrative writing and biographical writing.
Maths	Multiplication and division Area and perimeter Fractions and percentages Measure Ratio and proportion Statistics	We will be building on our understanding of multiplication and division by developing further mental and written methods. We will then use our learning in this area to support our understanding of fractions, percentages, and ratio and proportion.
Science	Evolution and Inheritance Electricity	We will learn about the characteristics that are inherited and those that are environmental. We will learn about variation and natural selection and begin to explain how species evolve and the role of fossil evidence that supports this theory. We will be learning how to draw circuits using symbols and investigate what happens to different components when the amount of power to the circuit is changed.
Geography & History	Britain in the 19 th Century (Victorians)	We will also learn about Queen Victoria and what it was like to live under her reign.

Ashley Road | Uffculme | Devon | EX15 3AY | T: 01884 840282 | E: admin@uffculmeprimary.bep.ac | www.uffculmeprimary.bep.ac



BLACKDOWN EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP | Chapel Hill, Uffculme, Devon, EX15 3AG | 01884 842900 | admin@bep.ac | www.bep.ac

A company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales No: 07338835. An exempt charity.

	Climate Change	We will learn what Climate Change is, what is causing it and what we can do to help.
ICT	Creating Media: History of computers	We will learn how to record, edit and add sound effects to a radio play and understand how computers have changed and impacted the modern world.
Art & DT	Painting and Mixed Media: An Artist Study Cooking: Come Dine with Me	We will developing our understanding of a variety of artists and using a range of media to create a picture in the style of David Hockney Design and cook a three course meal.
Music	Ukulele	We will be learning to play the Ukelele
PSHE	Safety and the Changing Body Citizenship	We will learn about puberty, conception and pregnancy. We will learn about rules and democracy.
RE	Christianity and Humanism	We will learn about Humanist beliefs and how they compare to Christianity.
PE	Gym/Dance Net/Wall Games	

Reading

All children at Uffculme Primary School are expected to read at least **3 times** a week, for **1 hour 30 minutes** in total, at home. Please ensure your child does this and please sign their Reading Record Book to show that they have read. Dojos will be awarded for completed reading.

Spelling

Children will be given 10 spellings on a Monday. They need to learn them using the look, cover, write, check method which is in their homework book. They may also use a different method if they need further practise. Children will be tested on their spellings the following week. Spelling homework will not be marked but the child's test score will be recorded, and they will be awarded a Dojo for completing their homework. Children will still have access to Doodle Spell if they wish to do extra spelling homework.

SATS revision books

Children are expected to complete a **double page of their Grammar Revision Book** and a **double page of their Maths Revision Book** each week. They can do more if they wish. Please can you sign their Reading Record Book to show if they have completed it. 1 Dojo will be given for each double page completed. Once children have finished their books, they can recap any areas that they are unsure of.

If children **do not complete their homework** at home, they will be given an opportunity to complete their homework in homework club on a Thursday lunchtime. If their homework is not completed they will attend reflection on a Friday lunchtime.



Water bottles and snack

Please can you send a water bottle into school every day for your child. **(Please do not send in Air Up bottles)** It is really important that they have access to water throughout the day and a bottle in the classroom ensures that water is readily available (no squash or juice please). Please label the bottle with your child's name. If your child would like a snack at break time, they can bring in a piece of **fruit or veg** from home.

PE

PE lessons will be taken by Mr Carpanini and will be on a Monday and Friday. Children will need to have their PE kit in school on these days. A reminder that your child needs black shorts, red polo-shirt, and daps. When the weather is colder, they may need black tracksuit bottoms. Please ensure that all PE kit is clearly labelled and carried in a named bag. For health and safety reasons, jewellery must be removed for P.E; this includes earrings.

Thank you for your help and support over the term ahead.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Hayman

Year 6 Teacher

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 16 th January	Open classrooms
Wednesday 17 th	Residential Information Evening
Wednesday 31 st	SATs workshop for parents
Monday 5 th February	Parent consultations
Thursday 8 th February	Parent consultations
Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th February	Half term break
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day (Non-uniform)
Friday 29 th March - Friday 12 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15 th April	Children return for Summer Term

