



Ugborough Flyer February 2026

The end of the half term has arrived and your children have had a half term filled with hard work. We hope you have a restful half term break and that you manage to enjoy the beautiful surroundings. We are always talking to our children about getting outside into the environment, spending time with our friends and family and enjoying the fresh air.

Our aim is to send one out at the end of every month/half term so you can stay connected with all the wonderful things happening across the school. You will continue to receive regular updates via Class Dojo, and feedback on this newsletter will be an agenda item at our next Parent Forum.

This half term has been full of energy, learning and achievement. The children have had a half term filled with fantastic focus and have been working incredibly hard across the curriculum.

Writing: Our younger learners have been developing their early writing skills beautifully, while older pupils have been crafting full stories inspired by Oliver and the Seawigs, Viajak paws and Blackberry Blue.

Maths: Children have been exploring numbers to 5, tackling increasingly complex fraction calculations, and showing real determination in their learning.

Your children work hard every day, and we are very proud of them.

Our Core Values in Action

We continue to centre everything we do around our core values of Excellence, Respect and Friendship. These values shape our Dojo celebrations, our assemblies and our PSHE discussions.

A special well done to our Athletics Team, who represented the school brilliantly. They placed 8th out of 12 schools, but the true highlight was their sportsmanship-supporting one another and showing our values to the wider community. We couldn't be prouder.

Year 5/6 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the aquarium—thank you to Mr Kellas for organising such a memorable experience.

Looking ahead, we will be holding our Spring Parent Meetings later next half term. Please remember you do not need to wait until then if you have any questions or concerns. You are always welcome to email Tracy in the office, and we can arrange an appointment, email response or phone call.

I had the privilege of attending the Ugborough Pantomime last Friday—a wonderful community production featuring some of our pupils, former pupils and former parents. Despite a few technical hiccups, the show continued in true Ugborough style: with professionalism, humour and brilliant audience participation. A huge well done to everyone involved for your hard work and for putting on such a joyful performance.

We hope you all enjoy a well earned rest. Please can I remind you of the importance of all children being in school on the first day back, being part of settling in and starting our 6 week block of learning. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 23rd February-

Kind regards,

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The children have been learning how to group rocks based on their properties. They explored different types of rocks, looking closely at features such as texture, color, and hardness, and discovered how these characteristics help scientists classify rocks into categories like igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic.

Year 1 had a fantastically fun maths lesson with Miss Warren earlier this week. The children were using different objects to measure. We had to make sure the objects were the same size or our measurements wouldn't be accurate. We also measured ourselves to see how tall we all are.




Can I role play caring for a baby?

We have been thinking about our living history, how we have grown and changed as well as what we can do now that we couldn't do when we were babies and toddlers

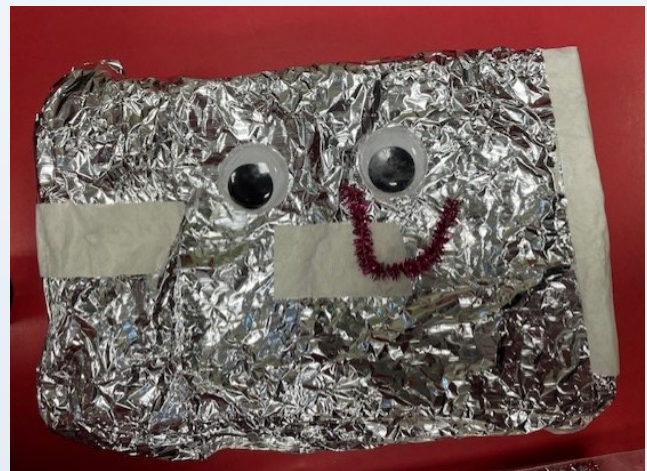


The children have been exploring the dramatic and textured artwork of Anselm Kiefer. Inspired by his style, they have been sketching their own buildings, experimenting with bold lines, shading, and a sense of depth to reflect Kiefer's atmospheric approach. This has encouraged them to think creatively about structure and emotion in art while developing their observational drawing skills.



The children have been learning about Michelangelo and his incredible artwork in the Sistine Chapel. To experience what it might have felt like for him to paint the famous ceiling, they tried painting in his style by lying on their backs and creating artwork on the underside of the tables. This hands-on activity helped them understand the challenge and creativity involved in Michelangelo's work while having lots of fun exploring a new way of painting.

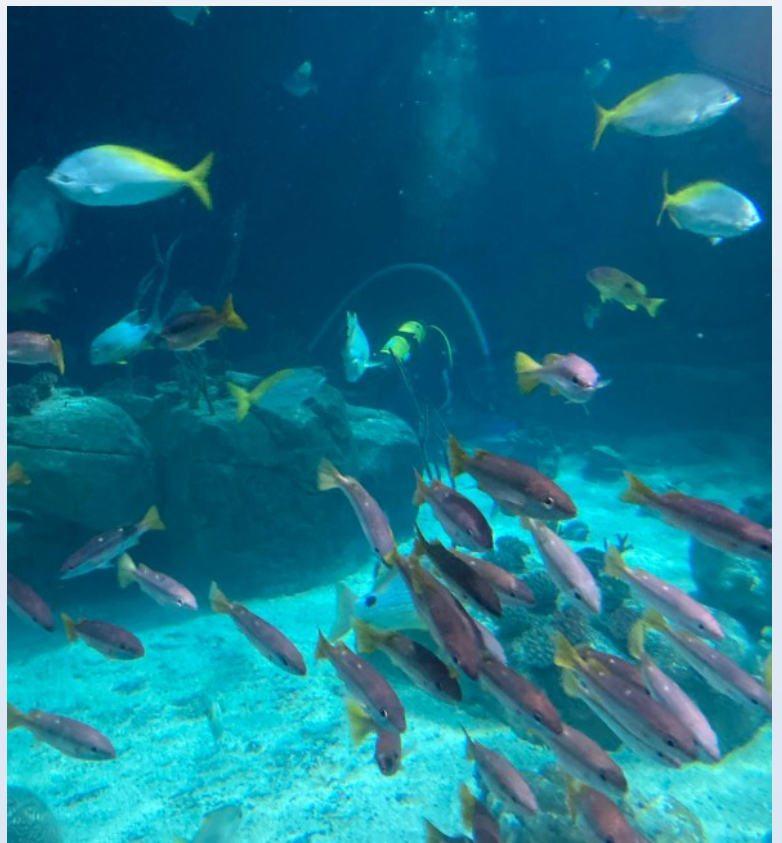
Year 1 and 2 children have been learning about sculpture in art and have recently designed and made their own box and tube monsters. They were able to work brilliantly together in pairs, carefully following their designs and were very proud of the results!



The children take part in weekly news assemblies led by Mr Kellas, where they have the opportunity to talk about current events and explore how news can affect us. These discussions help children to develop their understanding of the world around them and to think critically about what they see and hear.

Year 5/6 Aquarium

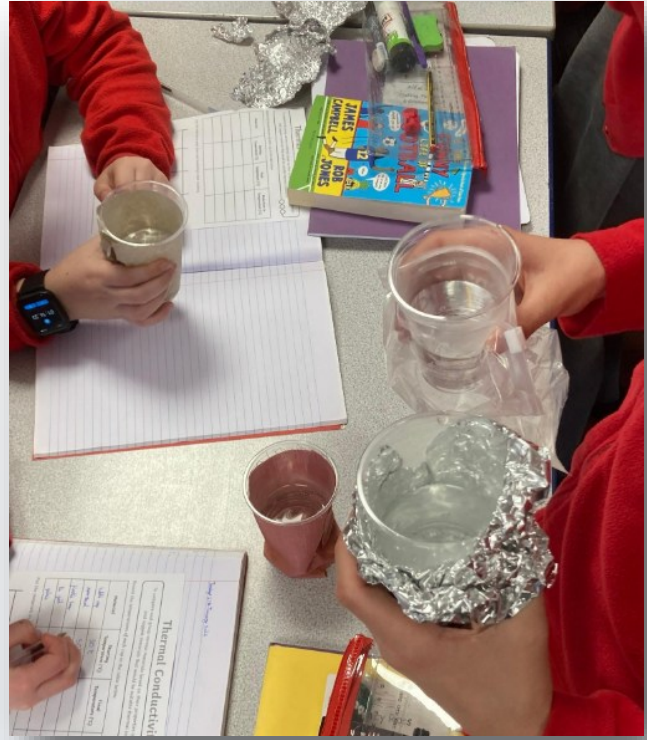
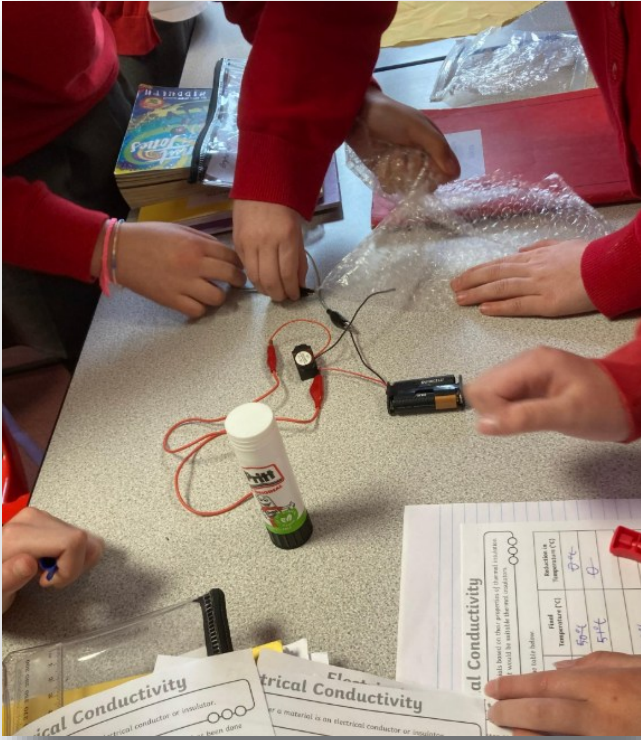
Earlscombe had a wonderful trip to the National Aquarium in Plymouth this term. Thanks in large part to the PTA for their contribution to the trip, we were able to enjoy a full day including a tour of the facility and a workshop.



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Recently, Henry, Joshua, and Soli from Ladywell represented Ugborough FC in the Pioneer Youth League Under-9s Cup, a competition involving teams from across South Devon. The Uggies performed brilliantly throughout the competition, progressing all the way to the quarter-finals. Their cup run came to an end against a strong Chudleigh AFC side, but the team can be extremely proud of their achievement. The boys showed great character, team spirit and respect in both victory and defeat whilst playing some excellent football.

Year 5/6 Science

We have been learning about the science of materials this term. We had a visit from a science teacher from ICC, learning about how to separate mixtures based on their properties. We also have been learning about conductors and insulators (thermal and electrical).

Parent Forum

This is a great opportunity for you to come in to chat to senior leadership and share ideas, thoughts and opinions as a group.

We would love to see you! Please let admin know if you are attending.

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Community OPEN DAY

Saturday 21st February

FREE activities*

Ivybridge Leisure Centre

- 08:00-09:00 – FREE Group Cycle
- 08:00-11:00 – Swim School Tasters*
- 08:30-09:30 – FREE Pilates
- 10:00-12:00 – FREE Bouncy Fun
- 14:45-15:45 – FREE Fun & Floats
- 09:00-13:00 – Family Splash

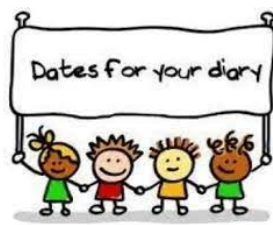
All Day – Gym*
 All Day – Squash*
 All Day – Sauna & Steam*

Scan to book your open day activities

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Date	Event
Mon 16th– 20th Feb	Half term holiday
Mon 23rd Feb	Return to school
Weds 25th Feb	Grenville House Trip meeting here at 3.30pm
Thurs 12th Mar	2.15pm Parent Forum
W/C 16th March	Last week of teacher led clubs
W/C 23rd March	Last week of PAFC clubs
Fri 3rd—17th Apr Inclusive	Easter Holiday
Mon 20th Apr	Return to school
Mon 20th—Fri 24th April	Grenville House Y4 residential. Details
Mon 4th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 18th—Fri 22nd May	Dartmoor Training Ctr Y6 residential. Details TBC
Mon 25th—Fri 29th May	Half Term
Mon 1st June	Return to school
Thurs 4th June	Sports Day, details TBC
Fri 26th June	Non Pupil Day
Thurs 2nd—Fri 3rd July	Dittisham Y5 residential. Details TBC
Weds 8th—Thurs 9th July	East Soar Y3 residential. Details TBC
Weds 22nd July	Last day at school before Summer holidays.
Fri 4th Sept	Return to school
Friday 23rd –30th Oct (Inc)	Half term
Mon 2nd Nov	Return to school

