



15th March 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been another great week at Unity Academy and I am pleased to share with you the following updates.

### **FCAT Review**

On Tuesday, this week, we had our FCAT review and this highlighted lots of positive actions that are taking place across the school. Senior colleagues from across the Trust spent the day observing lessons, questioning leaders and speaking to students. There were many strengths observed and it was great to see we are moving forward with purpose in the right direction.

### **Ready, Respectful, Safe (All Parents/ Carers)**

On Monday 11th March, we commenced our first taught sessions for Ready, Respectful, Safe. We have worked hard this week promoting respectful behaviour and positive greetings with all our young learners. On Friday, we reviewed the week to see how well it had gone and there was an overwhelming sense of positivity from both staff and students. This demonstrates the impact it has on the culture of our school and we will continue to work on positive greetings again next week.

With that in mind, we now have selected our Ready, Respectful, Safe stars of the week and they will be proudly represented in our main reception next week. They were very excited to be chosen and to receive their golden tickets.

### **Wow Moments in School this Week (All Parents/ Carers)**

The Wow Moments for this week are below. Well done to everyone involved.

- Y11 computer science students have completed lots of high quality revision this week.
- Y9 science students and their ability to recall essential knowledge at an impressive level.
- Y3 students who participated in our World Book Day assembly at the end of last week. We heard lots of confident and articulate children talking about books they have read!
- Bilie and Ruby in Y10 for demonstrating excellent leadership skills during a form time debate linked to the school council.



### **Acting Headteacher Rota - Week 2 (All Parents/ Carers)**

My jury service continues for one more week. The following Deputy Headteachers will be Acting Headteachers on the following days:

Monday and Wednesday - Mr. S. Brennand  
Tuesday - Mrs. T. Shaw  
Thursday and Friday - Mrs. K. Shaw

A reminder that there is nothing that I can do as Headteacher to resolve any concerns/issues that these colleagues can't also do. Please don't delay in contacting us over these two weeks as plans are in place to ensure there are no issues for children or parents at school.

### **Primary Newsletter (Primary Parents/ Carers)**

Click [here](#) to access the Primary Newsletter.

### **Free school meal vouchers**

For information - As of writing this update, the Local Authority have not confirmed the allocation of free school meal vouchers for the Easter holidays. Once we receive clarification, we will update you further.

### **Reporting Bullying/ Pastoral Concerns (All Parents/ Carers)**

If you or your child needs to raise any bullying or pastoral concerns with the academy please [click here](#).

### **Online Safety Support for Parents/ Carers (All Parents/ Carers)**

We have recently signed up to an online platform that offers online safety videos made specifically for parents/ carers. They are hosted by Myleene Klass and are very short. There is no cost to accessing these.

Click [here](#) to access the link to this week's online safety guide for parents.

You can also sign up for The National College for free and view a wide range of resources and videos to support your family with online safety. To do this follow the link below:

Sign up tutorial video - <https://help.nationalcollege.com/parent-walkthrough>

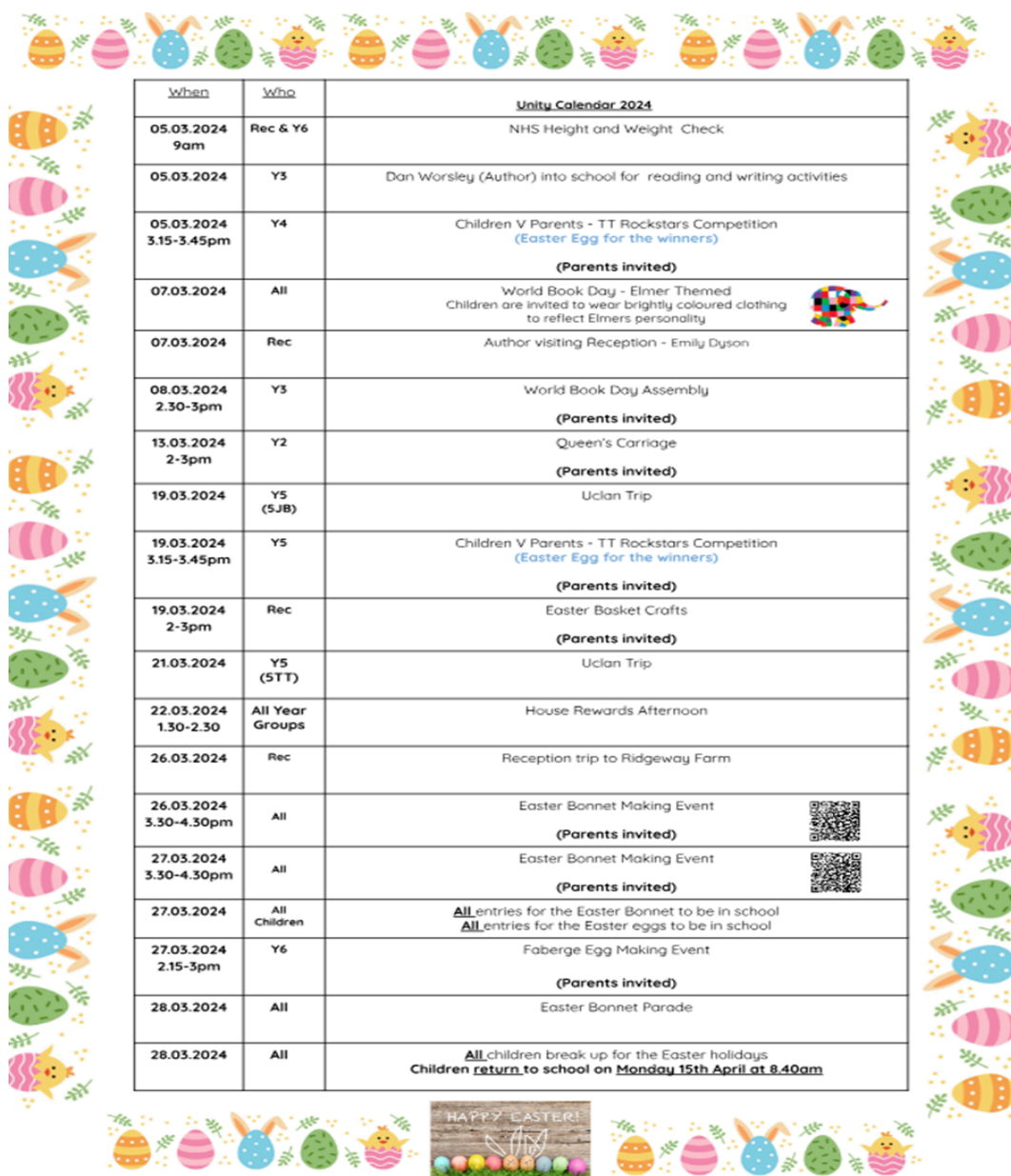
Sign up for The National College - <https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/unity-academy-blackpool>






Yours sincerely,

*S. Cooke*

Mr. S. Cooke, Headteacher



When	Who	Unity Calendar 2024
05.03.2024 9am	Rec & Y6	NHS Height and Weight Check
05.03.2024	Y3	Dan Worsley (Author) into school for reading and writing activities
05.03.2024 3.15-3.45pm	Y4	Children V Parents - TT Rockstars Competition (Easter Egg for the winners) <b>(Parents invited)</b>
07.03.2024	All	World Book Day - Elmer Themed Children are invited to wear brightly coloured clothing to reflect Elmers personality 
07.03.2024	Rec	Author visiting Reception - Emily Dyson
08.03.2024 2.30-3pm	Y3	World Book Day Assembly <b>(Parents invited)</b>
13.03.2024 2-3pm	Y2	Queen's Carriage <b>(Parents invited)</b>
19.03.2024	Y5 (5JB)	Uclan Trip
19.03.2024 3.15-3.45pm	Y5	Children V Parents - TT Rockstars Competition (Easter Egg for the winners) <b>(Parents invited)</b>
19.03.2024 2-3pm	Rec	Easter Basket Crafts <b>(Parents invited)</b>
21.03.2024	Y5 (5TT)	Uclan Trip
22.03.2024 1.30-2.30	All Year Groups	House Rewards Afternoon
26.03.2024	Rec	Reception trip to Ridgeway Farm
26.03.2024 3.30-4.30pm	All	Easter Bonnet Making Event <b>(Parents invited)</b> 
27.03.2024 3.30-4.30pm	All	Easter Bonnet Making Event <b>(Parents invited)</b> 
27.03.2024	All Children	<b>All</b> entries for the Easter Bonnet to be in school <b>All</b> entries for the Easter eggs to be in school
27.03.2024 2.15-3pm	Y6	Faberge Egg Making Event <b>(Parents invited)</b>
28.03.2024	All	Easter Bonnet Parade
28.03.2024	All	<b>All</b> children break up for the Easter holidays Children <b>return to school on Monday 15th April at 8.40am</b>