# Uplands Junior School Newsletter

#### Diary dates for Summer term

Monday 16th April: School re-starts

Thursday 26th and Friday 27th April: Year 3 Festival of

Sport at Smestow (further details to follow)

Thursday 3rd May: School closed for Voting day Monday 7th May: School closed-Bank Holiday Monday 14th May: Year 6 SAT tests week

Friday 18th May: Year 5 visit to Cardingmill Valley

Monday 21st May: Arts week across school

Wednesday 23rd May: Year 6 Festival of Sport (further de-

tails to follow)

Thursday 24th May: Shorts and Shades disco Friday 25th May: Break up for half term

Wednesday 6th June: Year 3 visit to Dudley Zoo

Friday 8th June: Arts week Art Gallery presentation-open

to all parents (further details to follow)

Monday 11th June: Year 6 residential week to Cleobury

Wednesday 20th June: Year 6 photographs

Wednesday 27th June: Sports day (Years 3 and 4 am and

Years 5 and 6 pm)

Thursday 5th July: Transition day across school-new Year 3

pupils to visit

Friday 6th July: Reports out to parents

Tuesday 10th July: Year 6 production (2pm and 6pm)

Wednesday 11th July: Year 6 production (6pm)

Thursday 12th July: Celebration day until 6pm (details to

follow)

Monday 16th July: New Year 3 parents evening 6pm

Wednesday 18th July: 1:30pm Year 6 disco

Thursday 19th July: Year 6 Leavers assembly 9:15am

School breaks up for Summer

Friday 20th July: INSET day-school closed to pupils

A reminder that all term dates can be found on our website and there is also a link to the council site that informs you of

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We were visited in school by Eleanor Smith MP who led an assembly and came to speak to our Rights Respecting Ambassadors about their work in school. She also spent some time with Year 5 discussing their refugee project from the Autumn term and looking at their work. We were delighted that she was able to come along and support



us.

Congratulations to Poppy (Yr6), Millie (Yr4) and Helena (Yr3) who were all winners in the City wide Fairtrade poster competition. They were presented with a certificate, a book



# **Sporting news and success**

## Mr Shaffery's retirement

Mr Shaffery, who is a key member of Wolverhampton and Black Country sport, will be retiring this Easter. He has played a key role within the organisation of competitions, leadership and sporting opportunities for young people across the city for many years and will be greatly missed. As a school, we would like to thank him for all his support over the years and all the opportunities he has given to our past and present pupils. Happy Retirement Mr Shaffery.

#### **Blakemore Cup Finals**

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, the Uplands 5-a-side football team participated in the Blakemore cup finals at the Wolves Training Ground. The team played extremely well coming joint top in the group round and making the semi-finals. In the semis, the team played Elston Hall which then had to be taken to extra time. The final score was 2-1 to Elston Hall. Uplands then played one final game (friendly) for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place in which they secured the position of 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Well done to everyone who took part in this great tournament.

#### **Football Quarter-final Success**

Tuesday 27th March, the Uplands football team played their quarter final league game against Perry Hall Primary School. This was a very tense match which ended as 2-2 draw therefore leading to extra time. During extra time 3 more goals were scored, leaving the final result as Uplands 5-3 Perry Hall.

Well done to all the boys who played, including two Year 4 students of which it was their first game representing Uplands. Thank you to the continued support of the parents and family. On to the semi-finals after Easter. Go Uplands!!

## **Roaring Success for Tag Rugby!**

A huge congratulations to the Uplands Tag Rugby team who won the Wolverhampton City Finals on Monday 26th March. 16 teams made it through the area heat stages to make it to the City finals, all of which played to a high standard. The Uplands Team worked hard and collectively throughout the afternoon, each individual playing their part for the team. After some very challenging games, especially the final match against Fallings Park, Uplands came out victorious. Well done to everyone who took part!

# **Uplands Gymnastics Win GOLD!**

A massive congratulations to the Uplands Gymnastics team who competed in the Wolverhampton City Gymnastics Finals on Monday 12th March. All the children were a credit to the school and performed beautifully. Overall Uplands won 10 individual GOLD medals, 9 individual SILVER medals and 10 individual BRONZE medals. The Uplands stage 1 group performance also won GOLD. After every performers score was calculated and added to each schools overall score, Uplands became victorious and won GOLD overall.

Congratulations to all children and staff who have worked hard over the year for this competition. Also a big thank you and congratulations to Mrs Swindells (Gym Coach) for all her hard work with the children.