

Uplands Junior School Newsletter

Diary Dates:

Wb Monday 15th May: Arts week across school
Wb Monday 22nd May: Assessment week across school
Tuesday 23rd May: Zoolab visit to Year 3 classes
Thursday 25th May: Arts week gallery showcase afternoon for all parents to attend plus PTA Café.
Year 3 1.10pm-1.40pm Year 4 1.40pm-2.10pm
Year 5 2.10pm-2.40pm Year 6 2.40pm-3.10pm
Friday 26th May: Year 5 visit to Carding Mill Valley
Friday 26th May: Year 3 musicians concert in school hall 2:30pm-Yr3 musician parents welcome
Friday 26th May: Break up for half term

Monday 5th June: Upper school sports afternoon
Wednesday 7th June: Lower school sports afternoon
Thursday 8th June: School closed for General election
Wb Monday 12th June: Year 6 residential to Cleobury
Thursday 15th and Friday 16th June: Year 4 bikeability
Tuesday 20th June: Year 6 photographs
Friday 23rd June: Year 6 fundraising stalls afternoon (further details to follow)
Tuesday 4th July: Year 6 SATs results available
Tuesday 4th July: Whole school transition day to new classes. New Year 3 to visit
Friday 7th July: Reports go out to parents
Tuesday 11th July: Year 6 production performances-afternoon and evening
Wednesday 12th July: Year 6 production performance-evening
Thursday 13th July: Open day until 6pm-parents to view work-further details to follow
Monday 17th July: New Year 3 parents evening 6pm
Thursday 20th July: 9:15am Yr6 Leavers assembly
Thursday 20th July: Year 6 disco (pm during school time)
Friday 21st July: School breaks up for Summer 3:15pm

Summer
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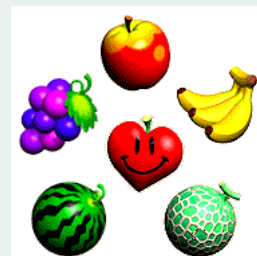


For Safeguarding reasons, please ensure that you ring into school if your child is going to be absent. If we do not receive a call we will text you or the Headteacher may need to carry out a home visit.

Please note that school will be closed on Thursday 8th June for the General Election as we have been selected to be a polling station.

We will re-schedule the Shorts and Shades disco from this date.

A big thank you to Lidl in Finchfield who donated much of the fruit for our Health week roadshow.



Respect For All

Class attendance

3AS	97.5%
3KD	96.9%
3NJH	97.2%
4OD	97.1%
4GD	97.5%
4SW	95.9%
5NH	96.5%
5FG	97.9%
5LR	97.7%
6NR	98.0%
6SB	96.9%
6GB	97.4%

Overall school
Attendance as at

10. 05.17



Winner of the 100% attendance raffle (£20) for Spring term was Sharina Hira Yr3. Winner of the 97%+ raffle (£10) was Neo Mann Salmon Yr6.

Thank you to the PTA who purchased a small chocolate treat for every pupil to wish them a Happy Easter.



Ofsted Inspection

You should all have received a copy of our recent Ofsted report. It can also be accessed via the Homepage of our website. We were delighted with Ofsted's comments and feedback and we are already working on the areas to further improve and develop. Our INSET days for the next academic year will begin to address these key areas. These are the INSET days booked for the next academic year.

Monday 4th September: Safeguarding and SEN.

Friday 20th October: Exciting opportunities to engage children in writing .

Tuesday 2nd January: Assessing writing at Greater depth (external provider).

Monday 26th February: The Literacy Shed: using film and visual images to stimulate engagement in Reading and Writing (external provider).

Friday 20th July: Assessment of Foundation subjects.

Rights Respecting School Award

As part of the school's aims to promote a happy and successful school we are working towards recognition as a "Rights Respecting School". This is an award given to schools on behalf of UNICEF. The award will help our pupils to grow into confident, caring and responsible citizens both in school and in the wider community. As part of the first stage of the award we are required to have a steering group in place which includes pupils, staff and governors. The following pupils have been selected to be a part of this group: Oliver By, Maliha Ali, Tori Stephenson, Rishika Nandy, Archie Gamble, Pranav Ghantra, Joshua Nabbs, Esha Puri, Dominic Glover, Katie Pickering, Rhiannah Rhule, Jack Dipple, Ethan Wood, Amber Mall and Jessica Rogers.

We are looking forward to working towards this goal of becoming a Rights Respecting School.

Catering news

We are currently in the process of receiving bids and tenders from a range of companies who wish to provide our lunchtime catering facilities from September 2017. Myself and Governors have read and looked closely at the responses given in the recent catering survey and are acting on these. We will bring you further information during this Summer term.

Aspiration Alley

Year 3

Alfie Marston wants to be a rugby player when he grows up. When he gets too old to play he'd like to become a PE teacher.

Maya Patel aspires to go to University. She would like to study Maths and Computers and then work in a job using computers like her dad.

Holly Portlock has an idea to change the world by creating magic wings to fly high. She would really like to work with animals when she is older-especially dogs.

Year 4

Jia Kumar would like to learn to drive and buy her "dream car". She hopes to graduate from University and become a teacher. She'd also like to travel the world.

Ruby Leel would like to sing, dance and perform when she grows up. She is also interested in becoming a teacher. Ruby would like to be just like her mum.

Kiera Chopra has the aspiration to be a police officer. She wants to keep people safe from harm. She really wants to live a positive life, show kindness to others and ensure her actions never hurt anyone..

Year 5

Dominic Glover aspires to be a games designer.

Alexandra Dicken wants to train to be an Olympic swimmer.

Millicent Westhead Jones would like to be a blogger for Youtube.

Congratulations to all our Year 6 children for the excellent attitude they have shown during their SAT tests this week-we are proud of you all.

Year 4 charity sale

Thank you to all the parents who supported their children in organising the Year 4 Spring charity sale in the first week of this term. The children plan the whole event under the direction of their teachers and organise games and activities (with prizes) for the rest of school to take part in. All money raised goes to the children's' choice of charity.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Health week sponsored event and our Easter fundraising raffle. Collectively these raised over £500 which is all going towards the proposed playground gym area which Ofsted really liked. Health week was very successful and we aim to build on this success and repeat again next year.



Egg decorating competition winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the egg decorating art competition. The winners were as follows:

Tom Davis
Jay McNaughton
Raisa Ishale
Henry Shore
Enya Whitehurst
Millie Owens
Enid Taylor-Ashcroft
Phoebe Watson
Millie Fellows
Sahil Mohammed
Lydia Whitehouse
Millie Carter
Nyah Defretias

Congratulations to Rhea Heer and Sahara Kandola in Yr6 who made it through to the second round of the BBC 500 word writing competition

Please note that we cannot give medication to children unless the appropriate consent form has been completed by parents/carers. This is the ruling of Wolverhampton NHS trust and is common to all schools. Forms are available from our school office and on the Homepage of our website.



Sports news

Gymnastics

After winning gold in the British Schools Gymnastics West Midlands Regional competitions, the U11 team went onto to represent Uplands and the West Midlands at the National Finals on Saturday 6th May at the Fenton Manor Sports Complex, Stoke-on-Trent. There were teams from England, Northern Ireland, Wales, Scotland and the Channel Islands. The children were first to perform at 9am and all performed extremely well. The Uplands team came an amazing 4th place.

This is a great achievement that has never been seen in Uplands history or any other Wolverhampton school.

Well done to all those gymnasts who have taken part and to all those gymnasts who attend sessions each week.

National Team: Ellen Groves, T'Yarnna Johnson, Karyce Johnson, Ewan Cox, Alfie Marston and Adam Costin.

P.E Kit

REMINDER: Please can all children have full P.E kits in school at **all times** during the school term.

If your child has used any of the school sports kit or team kits, please can they be returned to school ASAP. This includes, gymnastics leotards, football kit, cross country tops, hockey kit, netball kit etc. At the moment we do not have a full set of any Uplands team kit.

Swimming

On Friday 28th May, the Uplands swimming team represented Wolverhampton at the Black Country Games Swimming Gala, Oldbury. The children were very excited and performed extremely well. Both the boys and girls team came 10th in the region. Well done to all those who took part.

Team: Sahara Kandola, Erin Jhally, Francessca Taggart, Logan Sheilds, Caspian Lawton, William Hodgetts, Sam Wright and Adam Costin.

Year 6 Hockey club

During the Spring term, 18 pupils from Year 6 have been training regularly on Monday evenings in preparation for the In2 hockey tournament. On March 29th, 2 teams took part to represent Uplands in the heats. Both teams worked hard and represented Uplands in a fantastic manner. Team A made it through to the finals where they were knocked out in the third stage. Both teams displayed high quality hockey and were very proud of their performances. Mrs Gaunt sends her thanks to the children for their commitment and determination.

Team A: Harvey Graham, Callum Chin-See, Harri Shemar, Ethan Wood, Ellen Groves, Eve Emmanuel, Georgia Dunn Poulton and Nyah Defrietas.

Team B: Thomas Adderley, Troy McInnis, Arjun Bratch, Ekhveer Virk, Ben Grant, Rithika Nahan, Lyla Edwards and Cyla Basran.



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TERM DATES 2017-2018

Autumn Term 2017

INSET DAY

School Opens

School Closes

INSET DAY

Half Term Holiday

School Opens

School Closes

MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 5th September

Thursday 19th October

FRIDAY 20th OCTOBER

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Monday 30th October

Wednesday 20th December

Spring Term 2018

INSET DAY

School Opens

School Closes

Half Term Holiday

INSET DAY

School Opens

School Closes

TUESDAY 2nd JANUARY

Wednesday 3rd January

Friday 16th February

Monday 19th February to Friday 23rd February

MONDAY 26th FEBRUARY

Tuesday 27th February

Thursday 29th March

Summer Term 2018

School Opens

Bank Holiday

School Closes

Half Term Holiday

School Opens

School Closes

INSET DAY

Monday 16th April

Monday 7th May

Friday 25th May

Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June

Monday 4th June

Thursday 19th July

FRIDAY 20th JULY