

# Uplands Junior School Newsletter



## Diary dates

**Friday 16th March:** Year 3 Greek Workshop in school

**Thursday 22nd March:** 5KW Easter class assembly 9am

(Parents of 5KW welcome)

**Monday 26th March:** Health week across school

**Tuesday 27th March:** 3AS Easter class assembly 9am

(Parents of 3AS welcome)

**Thursday 29th March:** Break up for the Easter holidays  
Health roadshow to end Health week

## Return to school on Monday 16th April at 8:50am

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 dates for the next academic year

Our INSET days for the next academic year have also been set and can be found on the website.

## Advance notice of Summer term dates:

**Thursday 3rd May:** Voting day-school will be used as a polling station and is therefore closed to all pupils

**Monday 7th May:** Bank holiday

Other Summer term dates will be included on the next Newsletter just prior to Easter holidays

If you collect your child from school during the school day for an appointment please can you sign them out using the electronic system in the entrance hall. This is for Safeguarding purposes. Thank you.

Our new "Enterprise Shop" venture was a huge success and raised over £300 for funds. Well done to the Year 6 team who ran the shop and dealt with high customer demand!. The shop will return in the Summer term (and termly thereafter) with new stock each time-

Spring Term  
2018

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### Our playground

We have taken a zero tolerance approach to any kind of rough play on the playground and would be grateful if you could discuss this with your children. Pupils seen playing inappropriately will be sent inside and parents informed. In addition we have introduced a “stop” whistle at the end of play as well as our bell to encourage pupils to walk into their class lines for the safety of all.

### Class attendance

3AS	97.5%
3KD	97.9%
3NJH	96.9%
4OD	97.7%
4NH	97.8%
4LC	97.2%
5FG	97.1 %
5KW	96.5%
5LR	96.0%
6NR	97.8%
6GB	97.6%
6SW	98.2%

Overall school  
Attendance as at  
2.3.2018

97.4%

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**Please can any changes to end of the day arrangements be phoned into school before 2pm please. This is to ensure that the message is given to your child before the end of the school day**

### Roving book fair

Thank you to everyone who supported our Roving Book fair day. This company was recommended to us and they have not visited any Wolverhampton schools before. We found their choice of texts was excellent and we welcomed the knowledge and expertise of Mike who ran the shop was invaluable in helping children select appropriately. It was lovely to welcome over 100 parents during the day and to see parents and children sharing books whilst enjoying refreshments. Almost £3000 was taken on the day in sales and as a school we have received a good commission that will enable us to top up on texts for both the library and classroom bookshelves. We have re-booked this company for Spring term 2019 to tie in with World Book day.



Jacob (Year 3) won the Roving book fair raffle and received a book of his choice

### Extreme Reading competition

Well done to all children who entered our Winter themed “Extreme Reading” photo competition. It is great to see the imagination of our pupils in selecting extreme places to read! 12 winners were selected (1 per class) and each received a choice of a book from the Roving book fair as a prize. The winning photos will be displayed in school.

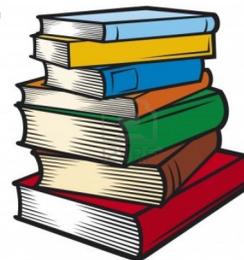
#### Winners:

Year 3: Jay K, Helena R and Eshika J

Year 4: Aaron P, Nikhil B and Jay M

Year 5: Nicole M, Millie O and Inderjoth D

Year 6: Lewis F, Sahil M and George T



# Respect For All

## **Science projects and Science fair**

Once again the standard of this year's Science projects was extremely high. Well done to all children who put so much time, effort and enthusiasm into their work and thank you to parents for supporting them. Two winners were selected per class and these children will attend the Big Bang Science event as their prize later this month. Two runners up were also chosen per class and prizes were presented in Awards assembly. The science fair was well attended by parents and this year we aimed to display as many projects as possible for all to see the high quality work. There are some photos on our website.

### **Winning projects:**

3AS Reuben and Portia  
3NJH Joshua and Oliver  
3KD Aaron and Amirah  
4OD Ethan and Adrianna  
4LC Dhiya and Illiyas  
4NH Alyssa and Tom  
5KW Jessica and Mason  
5FG Alice and Serena  
5LR Grace and Megan  
6NR Arjun and Rene  
6SW Sam and John

### **Runners up:**

Simran and Harri  
Ethan and Sajjan  
Harmann and Owen  
Oliver and Sam  
Vineet and Amy  
Evie and Aaron  
Tanveer and Millie  
Tilly and Charlie  
Kemi and Mya  
Evie and Isabelle  
Isaac and Martha

## **Playground equipment**

Thanks to the work of the PTA committee we have been able to purchase some additional equipment to complete the playground trim trail, some quiet games tables for the slabbed area and a 3 way shooter. This is all being installed just prior to Easter. School has benefitted greatly from the funds raised over the years by the PTA-most recently they have purchased the shade shelters and paid for half of the library refurbishment. I am planning to use remaining funds on additional ICT equipment. Unfortunately only one new member came to the recent AGM meeting which means that sadly there is no new PTA committee going forward for the new academic year and events that have taken place previously will no longer be able to go ahead. If you feel that you and a few friends would be able to run a fundraising project please call in to school or see a member of the existing committee.

The PTA will once again be providing a small Easter treat for every child in school.



## Safer Internet day

Well done to our Digital Ambassadors who led assembly on Safer Internet day and talked to the pupils about their role in school in helping them to stay safe on line. Our Rights Respecting Ambassadors have worked alongside our Digital Ambassadors to create a new 5-a-day digital diet to promote positive on-line behaviours. You may find it helpful to print this out to use at home-it can be found on our website under “Our school” and then “Digital Ambassadors”. There is also a section under “Parents” entitled e-safety which you may find useful. The Technology team work alongside us to help keep this up to date with relevant information for you.

## Year 4 Roman day

Thank you to Timezone who came to school in February to lead a Roman workshop for Year 4. The workshop centred around role play and involved learning about Celtic life and preparing for a Roman invasion. Costumes, spears and shields were provided for every child and there was a full scale battle re-enactment on our playground. The children really enjoyed bringing their history topic to life. Without your parental contributions, fabulous enrichment activities such as this would not be able to take place-thank you to everyone who contributed.



**This week we have been celebrating “Reading” as part of our Reading themed week. Children have discussed and shared favourite stories and why books “hook” them in. The week was meant to end with our traditional World Book Day dress up (now re-scheduled for Friday 9th March)**



## Fairtrade



We have been celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight in school with assemblies, workshops and awareness lessons as we work towards becoming a Fairtrade school. This work links to our motto of “Respect For All” and helps our pupils to understand about the need for children to enjoy their rights across the world as part of our “Rights Respecting” work. We will be creating a Fairtrade area on our website to showcase some of the work of our Ambassadors.

## Fairtrade ambassadors

### Year 3

Jasmeet D

Sebastian K

### Year 4

Laura H

John P

### Year 5

Megan W

William B

### Year 6

Rohan G