

# Uphill Village Academy

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and the little bit of sunshine we had.

As the Summer term progresses there are lots of exciting opportunities for our children. We have already welcomed "Jethro", Samuel Pepys' Servant, to talk to our Year 2 children, as well as Stewart Castle who talked to EYFS/Year 1, and Tom from UK Parliament who held a talk for a our Year 5 and 6 children.

We know your children love to share what they have been up to so please take a look at our wonderful class pages on the website [www.uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk](http://www.uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk)

Well done to those Year 4 children who took part in the level 1 Bikeability training this week. The children enjoyed learning about road safety and their behaviour was exemplary.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 6 children all the best in their SATs next week. I have been really impressed by your focus and determination these past weeks and am sure you will show this over the coming week.

Following SATs week, our year 6 children will be visiting the Charterhouse Residential Centre. This is a fantastic, fun filled week with lots of exciting adventure activities including gorge walking, caving and team building. It is a lovely way to spend time together and to celebrate their time at Uphill Village Academy as one group.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, enjoy the sunshine.

Mrs Hodder, Principal

## Sports Day

We know you will be looking forward to supporting your child on Sports Day. This year we are holding it on Thursday 4th July.

We are aiming for KS2 to be held in the morning and EYFS/KS1 in the afternoon.

## Wrap Around Care

If you are booking a place for your child(ren) at either Breakfast Club or After School Club in June, please remember the booking system opens at **10am on Sunday 15th May and will close at 4pm on Wednesday 18th May.**

Parents need to book at

<https://uphill.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please remember places cannot be booked if there are monies outstanding for April. Please ensure balances are cleared before booking. If you are using child care vouchers please try to draw them early. If you have any concerns regarding payments please contact the office team for help

[office@uva.clf.uk](mailto:office@uva.clf.uk)

## Year 6 SATS

Next week is SATs week for our Year 6 children.

To help support and prepare them each morning we would like every year 6 child to arrive at school between **8.00am and 8.15am** to share breakfast.

This ensures each child arrives with plenty of time to share breakfast together, have a chat and settle those nerves before the examinations start. Examinations start **before 9:00am.**

We know from previous years this gives them the best chance to produce their best work and we hope parents will support us in this.

Children do not need to bring anything to school with them to participate in SATs, all equipment needed is provided. Afternoon lessons, including P.E, will continue as usual so please ensure P.E kits are available in school on the normal day.

Good luck Year 6!!



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# Attendance

Thank you to our families for their continued support in ensuring our children attend school every day. Research shows us that children that attend school regularly achieve better academic outcomes than those with poor attendance. Every day in school helps your child settle better and enjoy the benefits of school life.

Unfortunately, for a variety of reasons, there are some children who we know have struggled with their attendance recently.

Over the coming weeks, we will be contacting the parents of these children with the aim of finding ways that we can work together to support all our children to attend school every day for the remainder of the academic year. We will try to find ways to build great attendance habits for the next academic year.

At Uphill Village Academy, we believe every child has the right to an education and helping them get into good attendance habits is of the upmost importance.

Sometimes children may have a disturbed night's sleep for a variety of reasons, such as nightmares, hayfever etc. We understand this may mean that occasionally they could sleep in later the next day and miss morning registration.

Please remember there are two attendance marks every day.

If your child wakes up and feels refreshed then please bring them in to school later in the day so they are present for afternoon registration.

Trust us with your child - we will always take care of them and always want the best for them.

# Dates for the diary

## May

<b>Monday 6th</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY (School closed to pupils)</b>
Tuesday 7th	Year 4 Bikeability training (selected pupils)
Monday 13th - 16th	Year 6 SAT's Week
Tuesday 14th	Year 4 Residential Meeting - 3.30pm in the school hall
Thursday 16th	Year 3/4 trip to Techniquet
Monday 20th - 24th	Year 6 Charterhouse Residential Trip
<b>Friday 24th</b>	<b>END OF TERM 5</b>

## June

<b>Monday 3rd</b>	<b>START OF TERM 6</b>
	<b>Term 6 Extra-curricular clubs start this week</b>
Thursday 13th - 14th	Year 4 St Briavels Residential Trip
Wednesday 19th	New Intake September EYFS Parents Evening - 5pm in the school hall
Monday 24th	Saturn Class Noah's Ark Trip
Tuesday 25th	Rainbow Class Noah's Ark Trip
Wednesday 26th	Sunshine Class Noah's Ark Trip

## July

Wednesday 3rd	Class Photos
Thursday 4th	Sports Day
<b>Friday 5th</b>	<b>INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)</b>



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