

Uphill Village Academy

Newsletter 16th October 2026

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week we held our Autumn Parents Evenings and it was so lovely to meet so many of our parents and carers. We hope you found the meeting beneficial and we would love your feedback. Please give your feedback using the following link,

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/7GEh5wjEak>

Our Year 3 & 4 children enjoyed a trip to The Matthew in Bristol yesterday, where the children enjoyed a valuable insight into this historical era. It was a great day Year 3/4, we're looking forward to seeing what you have learnt.

We are holding our Harvest Festival assembly on Monday (19th). A representative for St Nicholas Church will be joining us to discuss the meaning and importance of the Harvest Festival. Donations of food should be brought into school on Monday morning before 9:30am.

To compliment this, we are welcoming Weston Foodbank to our KS2 assembly on Wednesday (21st) when they will deliver a talk about their charity work and the importance of donating food to support vulnerable families.

Just a reminder, we finish for the half term break on Wednesday (21st). We return to school on Monday 2nd November at 8:35am.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Sam Hodder, Principal

Harvest Festival



On Monday (19th), we will be holding our Harvest Festival assembly. Representatives from St Nicholas Church have kindly agreed to join us and we are delighted that a member of Weston Foodbank will attend our KS2 assembly on Wednesday (21st) for a talk to the children about their charity work and the our community.

We would appreciate donations of tinned or dry foodstuffs. Such items as: Cooking sauces (curry, chilli, stir fry etc), rice, Instant coffee and instant hot chocolate, custard, tinned veg, tinned meat and fish, washing up liquid, toilet paper, laundry tabs etc.

Items should be brought into school on Monday morning (19th) before 9:30am.

Please give generously and thank you for your support.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We will soon be sending out details to parents on how to book our Term 2 clubs via MCAS. Dance Club for Yrs 3&4 will run on Mondays for term 2 & 3 and will prepare for the Dance Festival in March.

Choir Club will be held on Tuesdays for 6 weeks preparing for Christmas. Clubs run from 3:15-4:15pm.

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Flu Immunisations

As a reminder, flu immunisations will take place on **Monday 2nd November**. This is our first day back following the half term break.

You must ensure you have completed the consent form via the link below, even if you do not wish for your child to receive the vaccination:

<https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2026/consent?v=3>

Flu immunisations are key to helping suppress illness within both school and the community. We would urge as many children as possible to have their immunisation.

Year 6 Measurements

National Child Measurements are due to take place for our Year 6 children on Thursday 26th November. All measurements are confidential. If you do not wish for your child to take part, please return the opt out form & return to school nursing.

<https://uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk/letters/year-6-national-child-measurement-programme/>

Illness Reminder

If your child is absent from school, parents **MUST** notify us before 9.00am by telephoning the absence line 01934 626769 option 2.

Please leave your **child's name, class, reason for absence & when you think they will return to school**.

We will make welfare calls to parents to gain further information and clarify the reasons for an absence, or to offer support for a child returning to school. If we are unable to make contact, we may conduct a home visit.

Your help in clearly reporting your child's absence in a timely manner is very much appreciated and saves our staff a huge amount of time.



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Rolls-Royce

Y3/4 Swimming - Chandra Class

Voyager class have completed their swimming lessons.
Well done Voyager Class!

Chandra Class have their first lesson after half term on
Monday 9th November.

Due to the timings, children will require a packed lunch.
Children should wear appropriate swimwear, preferably
swimming trunks for boys and a one-piece costume for
girls. Swimming hats are compulsory and jewellery must
not be worn. Children will need a towel, goggles, a
brush/comb and a bag to carry everything in.
Please ensure everything is clearly marked with your
child's name.

Remembrance



In preparation for Remembrance Day, children will have the
opportunity to purchase a Remembrance Day poppy from
Wednesday 4th November.

We are proud to support this worthy cause.

If you wish your child to purchase a poppy, or other
Remembrance memorabilia, please provide them with a
small donation; a minimum of 50p is recommended for
poppies, or £1 for keyrings, bracelets etc.

Full details of the Remembrance assembly, Uphill Village
Remembrance service & poppy sales will follow after the
half term break.

Photograph Update

At Uphill keeping our children safe is always our priority.

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding and in response to the evolving guidance around Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the potential misuse of images, we will no longer share full facial photographs of children on our website or social media channels.

We will continue to celebrate learning, achievements and special events through photos that focus on the experience
such as side profiles, backs of heads and wider shots.

This allows us to protect children's privacy and safety.



Bristol City Ticket Offer

UNDER THE LIGHTS

City WOLVES

WED, NOV 4TH | 8PM

Cabot Learning Federation Ticket Offer*

ADULTS £10 | JUNIORS £5 USE CODE: CLFCITY10

BCFC.CO.UK/TICKETS

Bristol City have offered the CLF Community a special rate to
attend their Fireworks Night game at Ashton Gate.

£10 Adult tickets and £5 Under-19 tickets for Bristol City v
Wolves game on Wednesday 4th November at 8pm.

Offer is only valid for the Atyeo Stand - blocks N35 and N36
(Home fans only).

Discount code is: **CLFCITY10**

Link to use: <https://official-tickets.bristol-sport.co.uk/bristol-sport-city/events/57968>

The user will need to either create a Bristol Sport Club Account
or login if they have purchased before.

Those that claim will receive a confirmation email from Bristol
Sport where they can add their digital tickets to either Apple or
Google Wallet

Dates for the Diary

Don't forget to check out the school website for all our events as well as lots more useful class information and an array of great photos of our children's learning;

www.uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk/classpages

OCTOBER

Monday 19th

Harvest Festival Assembly - Donations by 9:30am please
Year 2 RNLI Visit

Wednesday 21st

KS2 Weston Foodbank Assembly

LAST DAY OF TERM

Thursday 22nd

INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)

Friday 23rd

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NOVEMBER

Monday 2nd

START OF TERM 2

Flu Immunisations - Whole School
St Giles Trust to visit Year 5/6

Monday 9th

Chandra Class Swimming (1)

Tues 10th - Fri 13th

Year 4 and Year 6 Bikeability training - Further details to follow

Thursday 12th

EYFS Phonics Workshop and Coffee Morning (8:55am)

Friday 13th

Donation Collections at gates for Weston Carnival (AM only)

Year 5/6 Girls Football Event (selected children)

Year 3/4 Silverstone Workshops

Monday 16th

INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)

Wednesday 18th

Wraparound Care Bookings Open for 30th November - 18th December

Group Presentation for Sept 2027 EYFS Intake @ 5pm in hall

Friday 20th

Year 2 Walk up the Hill

Monday 23rd

Year 5/6 Egyptian Day

Chandra Class Swimming (2)

Thursday 26th

Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme

Monday 30th

Chandra Class Swimming (3)

DECEMBER

Friday 4th

KS1 Multi-Sports (selected children)

Monday 7th

Year 2 Christmas Service at St Nicholas Church @ 2pm

Chandra Class Swimming (4)

Weds 9th

EYFS/Year 1 Nativity @ 9:15am

Thursday 10th

EYFS/Year 1 Nativity @ 9:15am

Year 5/6 Presentation of Learning @ 2pm

Monday 14th

EYFS/Year 1 Christmas Party

Chandra Class Swimming (5)

Tuesday 15th

Year 2 Christmas Party

Wraparound Care Bookings Open for 5th - 29th January

Wednesday 16th

Christmas Lunch

Thursday 17th

Year 3/4 Christmas Party

Friday 18th

Year 5/6 Christmas Party

LAST DAY OF TERM

