



Uphill Village Academy

Newsletter 1st July 2022

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy start to term 6 we've had and with another three weeks to come we still have plenty of things to fit in.

We have sports day, a trip to the beach for Year 3/4, our Year 5/6 production of 'What a Knight' and welcoming our new EYFS children to their 'stay & play' visits amongst many other events. Please check the 'dates for the diary' section of the newsletter to make sure you know what is happening.

On Saturday, we will join Uphill Village Society to hold our Summer Fete. This is a fabulous community event, held on our school field, with lots of stalls, games and fun activities. We are delighted that we will have children performing songs, dance routines and samba drumming during the fete, so please come along and support our children and academy at this wonderful event.

This week our Year 6 children have attended their transition days; visiting the secondary schools they will be moving onto in September. It is very reassuring to see how your children have grown during their time with us and how they are now ready and inspired to move on to the next phase of their education.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our fete on Saturday and I wish you all a restful weekend.

Mrs Hodder
Principal

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Term Dates 2022-23

Term 1	Thursday 1 st Sept 2022 - Friday 21 st October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 st Oct 2022 - Friday 16 th Dec 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023 - Friday 10 th February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 th Feb 2023 Friday 31 st March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 th April 2023 - Friday 26 th May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 th June 2023 Friday 21 st July 2023

INSET Days - Closed to pupils

- Thursday 1st September 2022
- Friday 2nd September 2022
- Thursday 20th October 2022
- Friday 21st October 2022
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Monday 20th February 2023
- Friday 7th July 2023

Bank Holiday - Closed to pupils

- Monday 1st May 2023

Year 5/6

We are delighted to be able to perform our wonderful Year 5/6 production, 'What a Knight', to an audience for the first time since 2019.

Rehearsals are well underway and there is still time to sign to get your tickets. Please visit www.uphill.schoolcloud.co.uk to reserve tickets.

The performances will take place on Tuesday 12th July and Wednesday 13th July at 6.30pm.

Transition

On Thursday 14th July, we will hold our transition morning. Transition morning is when children will find out which class they are in next year.

They will spend the morning visiting their new class, meeting their class teacher and new class mates.

New classes are allocated on a range of criteria such as gender splits, friendship groups etc.

We are looking forward to welcoming children to their new classes



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Trophy Return

If your child was awarded a trophy at the Easter Awards Assembly, can we ask for it to be returned to the school office by **Wednesday 6th July**.

The next Awards Assembly will be held on Friday 15th July.

This does not apply for the Tom Tait Award.

Absence Reporting

Can we remind all parents that if your child is ill and cannot attend school, the procedure for reporting an absence is to telephone the absence line on 01934 626769 and choose option 2 before 9.00am every day.

Many parents are informing staff at the school gate and assuming this is sufficient. The procedure above **MUST** be followed **every day** your child is absent.

Calling the absence line with an explanation as to why your child cannot attend school that day is essential.

End of Year ParentPay

Year 6 Children

Can parents of our Year 6 children please be aware that money held in 'My Account' within ParentPay will remain in your account and will transfer with your child to their new school, if they use ParentPay.

Any monies assigned to specific charges within Uphill Village Academy i.e. lunches, breakfast club and after school club cannot be transferred back to 'My Account' once your child has left. Any credit in an account can be transferred to a siblings account if requested.

Year 6 children attending Breakfast Club & After School Club should have sufficient funds available to pay for their bookings for July before bookings can be confirmed

All Other Year Groups

Any child currently attending school and having school dinners in July must have enough credit within their account to cover the costs. Please remember to top up your account at the end of August to cover any meal costs in September. All balances **MUST** remain in credit at all times. Parents of children within Year 2 should be aware that the entitlement for Universal Infant Free School Meals will cease and school meals will be charged to ParentPay at a cost of £2.20 per meal.

After School Club & Breakfast Club

June fees are now available for payment. All balances **MUST** be cleared by 6th July in full. Failure to clear any outstanding balance will lead to bookings after this date being cancelled.

Whole School French Day (lunch menu change)

On Thursday 14th July, we will be relaunching our teaching of French for the whole academy. Children will enjoy a day full of activities exploring French culture, French artists and French language.

Part of the planned day is a French school lunch which will be served in a French café style, with tricolour bunting and Parisienne music.

It is also an opportunity to celebrate all languages spoken from our varied community.

The menu on Thursday 14th July will be as follows:

'Croque Monsieur' (ham & cheese toastie)

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served with 'Frites' (skinny fries)

'choux buns' (cream filled pastry buns)



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Safety in the Playground

Can we ask that when children, either our own students or siblings, are waiting in the front playgrounds at the beginning and end of the day they do not ride on their bikes or scooters.

Ball games are not allowed and we would ask that children do not enter and play in the sensory garden area during these times.

Parents should supervise children in their care throughout these periods.

Dates for the Diary

July

Saturday 2nd	Uphill Village & School Summer Fete
Monday 4th-Wednesday 6th	New Intake EYFS Taster Afternoons 2.15-2.45pm
Wednesday 6th	Year 5 Taiko Drumming Workshop
Thursday 7th	KS2 Sports Day 9:00am - 10:30am KS1 Sports Day 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Friday 8th	INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 12th	Year 3/4 Beach Trip Year 5/6 Production @ 6.30pm
Wednesday 13th	Years 5/6 Production @ 6.30pm
Thursday 14th	Whole School French Day Whole School Transition Morning Year 3/4 Presentation of Learning @ 2.30pm
Friday 15th	Awards Assembly Year 6 Leavers Party @ 6.30pm - 8pm
Thursday 21st	Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 9:00am Year 6 Child & Parent Coffee @ 9.30am-10:00am
Friday 22nd	Last Day of Term INSET DAY (Academy closed to pupils) END OF ACADEMIC YEAR

September

Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd	INSET DAYS (Academy closed to parents)
Monday 5th	START OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023
Monday 12th	Music Tuition starts this week (selected pupils)
Thursday 15th	Chandra Class Swimming
Thursday 22nd	Chandra Class Swimming
Thursday 29th	Chandra Class Swimming

Uphill Summer Fete

2nd July, 12-4pm

After two years away, the Uphill Summer Fete is back! Featuring a number of performances, stalls, games, BBQ, refreshments and a bar, there's entertainment for the whole family.

Performances

- 12:00pm - Open of Fete with School Samba Band
- 12:45pm - Splitz Gymnastics Display
- 1:45pm - Kuk Sool Won Weston Martial Arts
- 2:15pm - Uphill School Dance Club
- 3:00pm - School Choir
- 3:20pm - Winners Announcements
- 3:30pm - Main Raffle Draw
- 4:00pm - Event Finishes

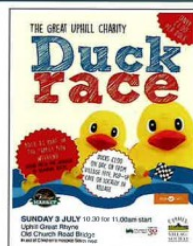
Stalls, Games & Entertainment

- Beach'd Buoys Shanty Singers & Circus Skills
- Secret World
- Toy stall, book stall and pre-loved uniform stall
- Tombolas
- Face Painting, Craft Table
- Coconut shy, penalty shoot out & more
- Popcorn, slushies & ice creams
- Plant sales
- And much more

Please support our Summer Fete on Sat 2nd July. Remember, you can help, donate or just come along on the day to help raise funds for the Academy & the Village Society. It's set to be a fabulous community event!



SATURDAY – SUNDAY
2 AND 3 JULY 2022



Support the Village Community at the family fun weekend by buying a duck for the 'Duck Race' Ducks are on sale every Friday in the Academy's front playground