

# Uphill Village Academy

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to thank you for helping us with the uniform policy, we have seen a big improvement in the correct footwear and leg wear.

I am extremely privileged to be taking 37 children to the Young Voices concert at the NEC in Birmingham. This is a singing festival like no other; with over 5,000 school children singing together to an audience of 9,000 parents. It is a truly phenomenal event. We are very excited to see our children participate and enjoy this unique opportunity. Thank you to the parents who are making the journey to support, I hope you enjoy the show!

Well done to the Year 4 children who took part in the 'Give it a Try' festival at Hutton Moor Leisure Centre on Wednesday. The children had a great time and took part in lots of new activities they had never before tried. The team came 2nd overall, fantastic result and a great effort to everyone involved.

We have had a high number of illnesses this week but it seems many children are back in school or on the mend. Please have a restful weekend and we hope to have everyone back next week.

With regards  
Mrs Samantha Hodder, Principal

## Free Drama Taster Session

Popular children's drama and dance school 'Perform' is offering a free trial session and a special introductory discount of £40 for children attending Uphill Village Academy if they sign up by Saturday 4th May.

Parents should quote UPHI040524 when they book their free session by going to [perform.org.uk/try](https://perform.org.uk/try) or calling 020 7255 9120.

You can find out more about the classes at [perform.org.uk/try](https://perform.org.uk/try). Alternatively, pdf flyers can be downloaded [here](#).

## Fire Station Open Day

Avon Fire and Rescue Service are excited to announce that they will be hosting a special on-station open day on Sunday 11th February.

Everyone is welcome at Weston Fire Station for this children's wellbeing event!

There will be lots on offer, including:

- Meet Fido the FireDog
- Complete Fido's Fitness Challenge
- Meet the stallholders and learn more about wellbeing and safety
- Get to know your local firefighters
- See a fire engine up close!
- We hope to see you there!

Event Details:

Where: Weston-super-Mare Fire Station, Milton Avenue, Weston-Super-Mare BS23 3JS

When: 11:00 until 15:00

More information can be found on their website

[www.avonfire.gov.uk](http://www.avonfire.gov.uk)



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# Smart & Correct Uniform Everyday!

We are delighted to see so many children looking so smart and representing our Academy so well this week by wearing the correct school uniform and wearing it so well!



We're really proud of Jayden, Imogen, Isla & Rupert for agreeing to show us how beautifully they are wearing their uniform - well done!

Uphill Village Academy has a school uniform because, we believe, it helps to set the right learning attitudes in school. It is a leveller of individuals and is good value for money. Your child is required to wear the correct uniform at all times. It has been noted that a number of children, especially in the Year 5 & 6 cohort, are coming to school without the correct uniform on.

More information, including how to order, can be found on our website

<https://uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk/our-academy/uniform/>

## Rules for Wearing School Uniform

- School uniform should be worn with pride at all times. Uniform should be clean and well presented.
  - Jewellery is not permitted, except plain stud earrings and a wrist watch.
  - Nail varnish and make-up are not permitted. Hair must be tied back from the face.
- Pupils are not allowed to wear trainers, except for PE, unless they are plain black and polishable with no logos. Shoes, including sandals, must strap securely to the feet.
- Leggings are only to be worn with a skirt over them, they are not suitable as a replacement for trousers.

Please ensure your child complies with the uniform rules every day.

## AirUp Water Bottles

We are noticing an increasing number of AirUp bottles coming into school.

Whilst we understand they are stylish and pretty and it is lovely that the children are so enthusiastic about drinking water, these bottles may not be suitable for school.

They are expensive and therefore highly desirable. We are sure you understand we cannot ensure they will not be broken or lost.

We would ask you to consider providing your child with a simple, cheap water bottle from a supermarket with your child's name on.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

## Coding Session

Is your child aged 8-12 years and interested in coding?

CodingBug is hosting a Game Design Workshop aimed at aspiring young game designers. This will be held in Yatton Library during half term on Tuesday 13th February 2024.

More information can be found on their website [codingbug.co.uk](http://codingbug.co.uk)



## 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](http://www.uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk)

### January

Friday 26th Young Voices Concert in Birmingham  
Monday 29th Year 3 Inclusive Festival (selected pupils)

### February

Thursday 1st Chandra Class Swimming (3)  
Monday 5th–Friday 9th Safer Internet Week  
Thursday 8th Year 2 Historical Village Walk  
Chandra Class Swimming (4)

**Friday 9th**

**Monday 19th**

Thursday 22nd

**END OF TERM 3**

**START OF TERM 4**

Extra-curricular clubs start again this week

Chandra Class Swimming (5)

### Upcoming Bank Holidays

Monday 1st May  
Monday 8th May