

Uphill Village Academy

Newsletter 2nd July 2021

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

As you are aware we have had a confirmed case of Covid-19 within school and some of our children are isolating as a result of this. I am very aware of the disruption this causes to school, work and family life and would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their continued support during this time.

I would like to remind all parents that if your child is unwell with a cough, temperature or a loss of taste or smell, they and any sibling, must not attend school and you need to book a PCR test at a test centre. May I also remind parents that lateral flow tests are for asymptomatic people only; those with no symptoms.

If your child is poorly, we would recommend they remain at home to be monitored and only return when they are well enough. This will help stop the spread of other viruses which are circulating. If your child has vomiting or diarrhoea they need to remain at home for 48 hours after the last bout.

On a happier note, we are looking forward to our Year 4 residential camp next week; have fun Year 4! Our Year 5/6 children are busy preparing their end of year production, which will be recorded for parents and uploaded to our new YouTube channel. Our Year 2 children had a fab time at their virtual Summer Sing event this week; we were joined by other schools virtually for a brilliant sing-a-long. Finally, we're delighted that we have 12 feathery new additions to EYFS & Year 1. The eggs the children have enjoyed nurturing have hatched and we have 12 chicks to care for instead - well done EYFS & Year 1.

I wish you all a safe and restful, extended weekend

Sam Hodder,
Principal.

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Term Dates 2021-22

Term 1	Thursday 2 nd Sept 2021 - Friday 22 nd October 2021
Term 2	Monday 1 st November 2021- Friday 17 th December 2021
Term 3	Tuesday 4 th January 2022 - Friday 18 th February 2022
Term 4	Monday 28 th February 2022- Friday 8 th April 2022
Term 5	Monday 25 th April 2022- Friday 27 th May 2022
Term 6	Monday 6 th June 2022- Friday 22 nd July 2022

INSET Days - Closed to pupils

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Friday 3rd September 2021

Thursday 21st October 2021

Friday 22nd October 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Wednesday 16th March 2022

Friday 8th July 2022

Reminders

Awards

If your child received an award at the Easter Awards Assembly, please return this to school by the end of next week; 9th July.

Our next Awards Assembly will be held on Friday 16th July.

Transition Sessions

So that children have a chance to meet their class teacher and other children in their class before the new academic year, we will be holding 'circle time' transition sessions on the field for the new classes on Wednesday 14th July.

Year 4 Mendip Form

Thank you to our Year 4 parents for their assistance in preparing for this trip. On Thursday, we issued a paper copy of the Mendip Outdoors Permission form, which your child should have brought home. This must be returned by Monday 5th at the latest please.



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The Big Summer of Fun - Year 6 Transition

The Hans Price Academy Big Summer of Fun 2021 is running from 23rd—27th August to support Year 6 children transitioning to Year 7 this September.. This event will offer our young people in the community an opportunity to learn, play and make new friends this summer.

Our 'Summer of Big Fun' will include:

- Hans Price Academy, Broadoak Academy and Winterstoke Hundred Academy staff delivering enrichment and reading sessions.
 - Bristol Bears Rugby Club sessions
 - Dark Angels Dance Academy sessions
 - Fencing & Climbing sessions

This project is funded by the Government's significant additional funding to support transition activities

Big Summer of Fun - Primaries



CLF's North Somerset Summer of Fun



**Monday – Friday 8:45 – 3:30pm
daily holiday club**

23rd August – 27th August 2021

£15 per day, with food included.

**Free places for pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium
Reception to Year 5 only**



Workshops throughout the week: W-s-M Heritage museum, Zoolab and their live animals, Space Detectives, cooking and more...

Sports Coaching & Forest School everyday

All staffed by HVA teaching team

To book, call Haywood Village Academy – 01934 312720 between 11am – 4pm

Please note, initially, we are limiting bookings to a maximum of 3 days per child to give more children the opportunity.



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Bike Shed Upgrade

Thanks to a partnership of PTFA funding and a North Somerset Sustainability grant, we are delighted to announce that we will be upgrading our bike & scooter shelters over the coming days.

The base for the new shelters will be laid tomorrow (2nd) and the shelters will be erected on Monday (5th). Unfortunately, this means we will not be able to store any bikes or scooters on Monday, so please either take your child's bike or scooter home after drop off on Monday morning or do not bring bikes or scooters at all on this day. The shelters will be operational on Tuesday morning.

Uphill Village Academy YouTube

As many of you are aware, our video centre, was connected to our old website and we can no longer upload any new videos to the site.

To replace this we have launched our new Uphill Village Academy YouTube channel. Please click on the link below to have a look at some of our more recent videos.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCobLS1Aua5KMBYUjefcFPDg>

Very shortly we will be uploading of End of Term Learning Presentations for terms 5/6 and our Year 5/6 Production, so keep an eye out for these. The link for the site can also be found on the home page and the class pages of the website.

Please subscribe to the site for regular updates.

Summer Reading Challenge



We're delighted that the Summer Reading Challenge is back in North Somerset Libraries this year! The Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to encourage your children to keep reading books over the summer holidays and help them boost their reading skills.

This year's theme is Wild World Heroes – a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire children to stand up for the planet:

Children can sign up in any North Somerset Library from Saturday 10 July.

If they read any 6 library books of their choice, they will collect a reward per book!

If they complete the challenge by Saturday 11 September, they will receive a certificate and medal whilst stocks last!

For further information please follow this link;

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/news/general/wild-world-heroes-intro>



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