

Uphill Village Academy



Newsletter 6th June 2025

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. As always this is a really busy term, with lots of events and activities happening in and out of school. We have lots to look forward to; Girls Dynamo Cricket event, Year 3 & 4 Outdoor & Adventurous Festival, CLF Pupil Parliament and so much more. Please check out our dates for the diary section and make sure you don't miss anything!

Our Year 4 children also have their residential camp to St Briavels in Lydney, Gloucestershire to look forward to in a few weeks time.

Our Sports Day is fast approaching on Thursday 26th June, please make sure you check the details within this newsletter to ensure you are aware of the timings for the day.

At this time of year we are preparing our Year 6 children for their transition to secondary school. As a reminder, the transition days to their secondary schools are Tuesday 1st - Thursday 3rd July.

Mrs Samantha Hodder, Principal

Coming Soon!

We are very excited to be introducing a new Parent Portal/App later this term, called 'My Child at School' (MCAS).

'My Child at School' will provide you with information about your child, including attendance data, and allow you to check and update your personal details. From 1st September 2025 MCAS will be used for all club/event bookings, including our wrap-around care provisions, and all parent payments.

We will be able to send instant 'push' notifications via the MCAS App, so we will also be moving all our text communications over to this method.

Further information and key dates will be communicated as soon as possible, so please watch this space!

Year 6 Leavers Information

As we draw closer to saying a fond farewell to our Year 6 children, we would like to share some information regarding upcoming events and things parents need to be aware of.

- This year the Yr 6 Leavers Party will be on Thursday 17th July at 6:00pm - 7:00pm in the school hall.
- We will hold our Leavers Assembly on Tuesday 22nd July at 9.00am - 10.30am and parents (2 guests) are welcome to join us as our Year 6 children say goodbye to primary school. After the assembly, parents are welcome to stay to share a cup of coffee with class teachers and children until 10:30am. Full details on booking your seat to follow soon.
- Generously funded by the PTFA, the school has organised some fun activities for all of Year 6 children on the afternoons of the last few days of term. Full details of all activities, including clothing requirements etc will follow closer to the time.
- ParentPay accounts for After School Club, Breakfast Club & school meals should have sufficient funds within them to cover any bookings or meals in July. All debts must be cleared by the end of the academic year for ALL children.



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Sports Day

Please join us for Sports Day on Thursday 26th June.

Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) will hold their Sports Day from 9.00am until 11.00am.

Children in Key Stage 2 can wear their PE Kit to school. This should be either a white t-shirt or a House colour t-shirt, navy or black shorts and trainers. Please ensure your child brings their full school uniform to school, in a named plastic bag, to change into after the event.

EYFS & Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) will hold their Sports Day from 2.00pm until 3.00pm.

Children in EYFS & Key Stage 1 should come to school wearing full school uniform and have their PE Kit in school on this day. For Sports Day children's PE kit should be either a white t-shirt or a House colour t-shirt, navy or black shorts and trainers or daps.

If the weather is sunny, please ensure your child has sun cream applied before coming to school and has a sun hat and a water bottle with them. Unfortunately, this event is weather dependent and a decision will be made on Wednesday 25th June as to whether this will go ahead.

Parents are welcome to join us to watch their child's session and cheer them on.

Photography & Filming

May we remind parents that we do **NOT** allow filming or photography at Sports Day. We will endeavor to take lots of photographs and these will be available on both our 'X' (formerly Twitter) account (@uphillvillage) and on the website (www.uphillvillageacademy.co.uk)

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Community News

Broadoak Academy are excited to announce their annual Festival of Culture on Saturday, 14th June 2025, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Broadoak Academy playing fields.

The **Festival of Culture** is a joyful community event that celebrates the many cultures, traditions, and backgrounds that make our area so wonderfully diverse!

This family-friendly festival is packed with exciting activities for all ages, including:

- Live music and dance performances from around the world
 - Delicious international food stalls
 - Arts, crafts, and cultural displays
- Interactive workshops and fun activities for children
- Opportunities to learn about different cultures and communities

It's a fantastic way for children and families to explore the world without leaving town, while celebrating the values of inclusion, respect, and togetherness.



Uphill Village and Uphill PTFA Fete

Join us for the School Fete on 28th June 2025

Volunteers Needed!

We are seeking volunteers to assist with various activities, including setting up stalls, managing games and serving refreshments. Your time and effort will be invaluable in ensuring the success of the event.

The fete cannot go ahead without the generous help of volunteers. Parents, grandparents, friends, aunties, uncles, older siblings.. Every little helps! Even if you can spare just an hour, it will make a big difference. It's also a great way to meet other parents and be part of a memorable day for our children.

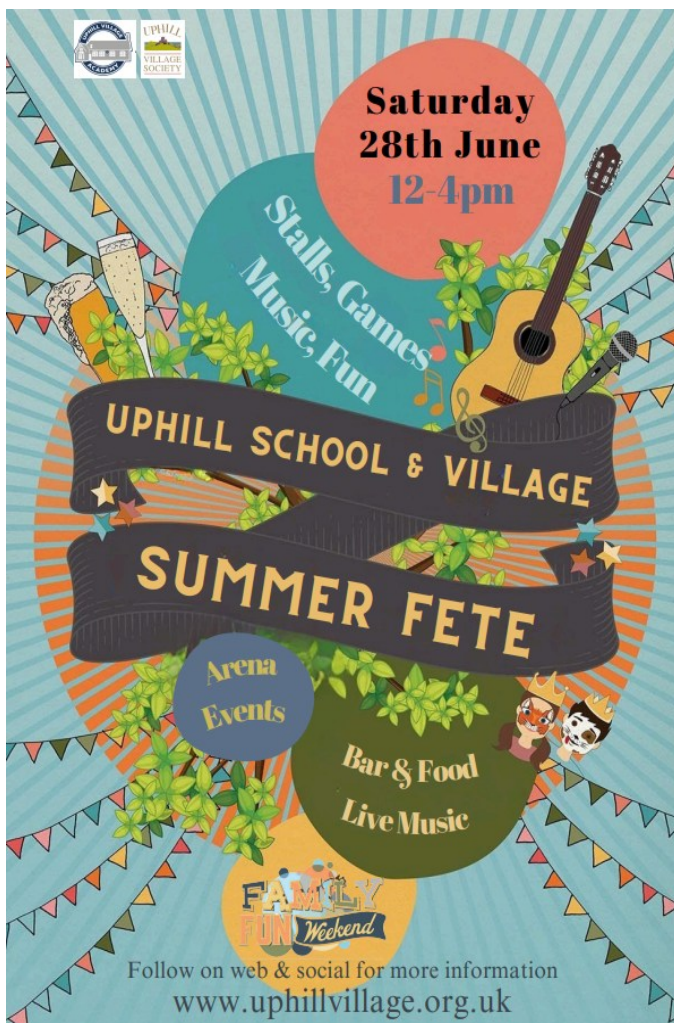
If you're able to lend a hand, please email the PTFA at contact@uphillprimaryptfa.org.uk or sign up on the sheet in the school office.

Every bit of help is appreciated!

Thank you in advance for your support.

We look forward to coming together as a community to create a fantastic day.

Uphill PTFA would also make a plea to the Year 6 Leavers to donate any unwanted school jumpers with the new school logo & any good quality secondary school uniform for Broadoak, Hans Price or Winterstoke Hundred Academies please. Your uniform donations are always very welcome!



Uniform

A gentle reminder that pupils should **not** be wearing trainers to school, except for PE, unless they are plain black and polishable with no logos.

If sandals are being worn to school, they **must** be worn with socks.

School skirts should be knee length or just above the knee even when leggings are being worn underneath.

Our uniform policy can be found on our school website

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

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

Pupil achievements

A special well done to Oliver in Pegasus for completing the 30 mile Mendip Challenge during half term - well done Oliver!

You can still donate to this worthy cause via https://www.justgiving.com/page/ollielyons?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=015



Dates for the diary

June

Monday 9th	School Nurse/Health Year 6 Transition Workshop
Wednesday 18th	Class Photos and Year 6 Photos New EYFS Intake September 2025 Parents Evening - 6pm in the school hall
Thursday 19th	Wake & Shake event, please remember donations for PTFA!
Thursday 26th	Sports Day -KS2 (Yr 3,4,5 & 6): 9am - 11am, EYFS/KS1 (Yr R,1 & 2): 2pm - 3pm
Friday 27th	CLF Festival of Sport (selected pupils)
Saturday 28th	Uphill Village & Uphill PTFA Summer Fete 12:00pm – 4:00pm

July

Tuesday 1st - 3rd	Year 6 Secondary School Transition days
Wednesday 2nd - 3rd	Year 4 St Briavels Residential Trip
Thursday 3rd	Year 2 Presentation of Learning - Parent Book Look
Friday 4th	INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)
Monday 7th	INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)
Wednesday 9th	Year 5/6 Production - 6pm in the Main Hall
Thursday 10th	Year 5/6 Production - 6pm in the Main Hall
Thursday 17th	Y6 Leavers Activities 1.30pm - 3:00pm Y6 Leavers Party - 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Friday 18th	Y6 Leavers Activities 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Monday 21st	Y6 Leavers Activities 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Tuesday 22nd	Y6 Leavers Assembly, followed by tea/coffee 9:00am - 10:30am
Tuesday 22nd	LAST DAY OF ACADEMIC YEAR
September	
Wednesday 3rd	START OF NEW ACADEMIC YEAR