

Uphill Village Academy

Newsletter 6th May 2022

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 5, I hope all our families enjoyed the Easter break. Our children have come back ready to learn and what a busy couple of weeks we have had already.

On Tuesday, I was privileged to be able to take 25 children to the Young Voices concert held at the NEC in Birmingham. This is a singing festival like no other; with 5,000 school children singing together to an audience of 8,000 parents. It is a truly phenomenal event. Thank you to the children who attended for singing loud and proud, you were a credit to the academy.

Well done to those Year 4 pupils that took part in the Bikeability course this week. The children enjoyed learning about road safety and all achieved their level 1 accreditation.

Thank you to our EYFS & Year 1 parents who attended our extra phonics workshops, we hope you found it useful.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 6 children all the best in their SAT's next week. I have been really impressed by your focus and determination these past few weeks and am sure you will show this over the coming week.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hodder, Principal

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A Plea....

Please can parents of children in EYFS and Year 1 provide a spare pair of pants and socks for their child's P.E bag.

Now the weather is warmer, our children are enjoying their breaktimes playing on the field.

Most of our children wouldn't normally have a toilet accident but currently they can get caught short when they are busy playing so far from the toilets.

Your support is appreciated, just in case.....

Year 6 Residential

We are very excited that we will be taking the Year 6 children on their residential trip to Charterhouse after SATs week; they thoroughly deserve this residential after all their hard work for SAT's.

Year 6 children attending the trip should arrive at school at 9.15am on Monday 16th May, leaving for Charterhouse at 9.30am. Those attending Breakfast Club should do so as normal. On Friday 20th, children should be collected from school at 2pm. We will obviously keep parents informed about any changes to travel arrangements or timings on the day.

Parents of children attending the trip should follow us via our Charterhouse Twitter account. This is a closed group and will only be open to parents of the children attending. Find us at [Charterhouse@Y6UphillVillage](https://twitter.com/Charterhouse@Y6UphillVillage) and request to follow the account. We will accept parents to follow us over the next week. We take loads of photos to keep you informed and you can see just what they get up to!

Let's keep our fingers crossed for a bit of sunshine!

Morning Arrival

In response to feedback, we have reviewed the way our Key Stage 2 children are waiting outside the school gates in the morning.

For safety reasons children and parents will be allowed into the front playground from **8.30am** each morning. However, the gates from the front playground to the back playground will not open until **8.35am**.

Children should be accompanied by an adult at all times whilst in the playground until a member of staff is available from 8.35am.

Parents of Year 6 children arriving unattended should let the school office know.



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Wrap Around Care

If you are booking a place for your child(ren) at either Breakfast Club or After School Club in June, please remember the booking system opens at **10am on Sunday 15th May and will close at 4pm on Wednesday 18th May.**

Parents need to book at

<https://uphill.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please remember places cannot be booked if there are any monies outstanding for April. Please ensure balances are cleared before booking.

If you are looking for childcare provision for your child and require a space at either club, please contact the school office team on office@uva.clf.uk

Year 6 SATS

To help support our Year 6 children in their SATs next week we would like them to arrive at school between **8.00am and 8.15am** for breakfast.

We do this to ensure everyone arrives in plenty of time and have time to settle and have a chat before the examinations start.

We know from previous years this gives them the best chance to produce their best work and we hope parents will support us in this.

Children do not need to bring anything to school with them. Afternoon lessons, including P.E will continue as normal, so please ensure P.E kits come to school on the normal day.

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;

<https://uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk/events/>

May

Monday 9th - 12th	Year 6 SATs
Monday 16th - 20th	Year 6 Charterhouse Residential Trip
Tuesday 24th	Year 4 Folly Farm Residential Parent Meeting at 3.15pm
Thursday 26th	Class Photos & Year 6 Leavers Photo
Friday 27th	END OF TERM 5

June

Monday 6th	START OF TERM 6
Monday 13th	Saturn Class - Wild Place Trip
Tuesday 14th	Sunshine Class - Wild Place Trip
Wednesday 15th	Rainbow Class - Wild Place Trip
Thursday 16th & 17th	Year 4 Folly Farm Residential Trip
Monday 20th	PTFA Textile Recycling @ 9.00am

July

Saturday 2nd	School & Village Fete
Thursday 7th	Sport Day - details to follow
Friday 8th	INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)
Monday 18th	No Extra-Curricular Clubs this week
Friday 22nd	END OF ACADEMIC YEAR

Donations

Our children love dressing up and role play, especially at lunchtimes. If any parent has any good quality dress up outfits their children no longer wear or have outgrown, we would love it if you could consider donating it to the school.

We are particularly looking for outfits for police, nurses, princesses and workman/builders but any themed outfits would be greatly appreciated.

Please drop them into the school office.

Mental Health

Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week. We wanted to make parents aware that there are lots of resources available on our website www.uphillvillageacademy.clf.uk and visit the pastoral page

150th Celebration



As many of you are aware, Uphill Village Academy will be 150 years old this year!

We are delighted to be celebrating this special occasion throughout the last week of term.

In conjunction with Uphill Village Society, we are holding an exhibition of times passed for the school and village and this will be held at the Victory Hall. Ex Headteachers and staff will be making special appearances on various days to talk about their time at Uphill Village Academy and as a school we will be displaying work from the children focusing on what was school like for different periods of history leading from Victorian times.

EYFS/Y1 - 1990's to present day; What was school like for my mum and dad and my grandparents?

Year 2 – 1960's/70's/80's; What was life like during these times? What would school have been like?

Year 3/4 – WW1 and WW2 ; The impact of the war on school. What happened in Uphill during both wars?

Year 5/6 – Victorians ; What was Victorian Uphill like? What did school look like? Comparisons between then and now

The exhibition will be open to the public during the afternoons from Wednesday 25th May to Sunday 28th May. The children will be visiting the exhibition in groups each morning.

We are also holding our own Academy celebrations on Friday 27th May.

To celebrate the work the children have been doing for the exhibition, we are asking each year group to dress up for the day from the era they have been studying, as shown above. Below are some ideas for outfits;

EYFS/Year1; Children can dress up as mum or dad, they'll tell you what they wore when they were young!

Year 2; The 70's saw flares, big floral patterns and flower power but obviously we love a bit of 80's neon colour and leg warmers!

Year 3/4 ; Flat caps, waistcoats, tank tops, and school shorts are a great place to start.

Year 5/6; A long (ish) brown dress or trousers, a waistcoat or a white floppy maid cap, it was a dowdy era!

Please do not spend lots of money on outfits, raid the charity shops or make up your own. There are always lots of ideas on 'mumsnet' and social network sites. We are doing it to make the day fun and bring our learning to life.

We will be holding a special lunchtime with a 'Grab Bag' lunch outside in the back playground (weather permitting). We will be decorating the playground and tables in red, white and blue and have flags, bunting & of course a birthday cake!!

The Village Society are also kindly donating a commemorative book for every family.

We are really looking forward to these celebrations and we hope all our families can support this



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Family Festival

BRING YOUR FAMILY FOR A DAY
FULL OF FUN AND GAMES!

MAY 28-29, 2022 10 AM - 4 PM
THE STABLE / THE STABLE GAMES ROOM




What's On

TIME & ACTIVITY :	ADDITIONAL INFO :
10:30 FACE PAINTING FACE PAINTING WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL THROUGHOUT THE DAY	TICKET PRICES: <input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL ADMISSION: £2 PER PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ADMISSION INC. STARS AND SAILS: £6 PER PERSON ABOUT STARS AND SAILS : SAILS : Explore the importance, power and vulnerability of the sea through songs, sights and stories! Listen to worldwide folk tales, music and history. Join the global quest to protect our beautiful oceans. "A beautiful combination of songs, sounds and storytelling." Adam Crowther, BBC Radio Bristol. Suitable for all ages, recommended for 5 years +
11:00 STARS AND SAILS EXPLORE THE SEA THROUGH SONGS AND STORIES! LISTEN TO GLOBAL FOLK TALES AND MUSIC.	
12:00 MEET AND GREET WITH PRINCESS ANNA	
13:00 CHILDREN'S YOGA	
14:00 STARS AND SAILS EXPLORE THE SEA THROUGH SONGS AND STORIES! LISTEN TO GLOBAL FOLK TALES AND MUSIC.	
15:00 MINI DISCO!	



Get Your Bike Marked & Registered **FREE**



By	Neighbourhood Policing Team
Date	Sunday 22nd May 2022
Time	10:00 - 14:00
Location	The Boat House, Uphill Wharf

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TABLE TOP SALE all around the village... SATURDAY 21 MAY



Been having a clear out? Garage full of long unused items? Attic overflowing? Need more space? Your chance for a clear out on your doorstep

Join the great Uphill Table Top Sale.
 Minimum donation (in aid of Weston HospiceCare) £5 by Bank Transfer (Uphill Village Society, Sort code: 30 99 51 Account number: 01450280) by 14 May. Please put address for reference to have your address included on map enabling visitors to find you and buy those unwanted items.
 More details at www.uphillvillage.org.uk



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