

# Uphill Village Academy

Newsletter 30th September 2022

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

We were very lucky with the weather for the Annual Uphill Village Scarecrow Festival. Thank you to our children and teaching partners for their hard work in building our scarecrows. I hope you were able to take some time and enjoy visiting the vast array of superb designs around the village.

This week has been busy with our House & Vice Captain elections, a visit from the Space Detectives for our Year 5/6 children, a visit from the RNLI to talk about water safety for our Year 2 children and a special Tudor visitor for our Year 3/4 children. We have had a brilliant week learning lots about our enquiry questions and these activities have helped to bring our curriculum to life. I hope your children have been enthused and have shared their learning with you.

We will be holding our Parents Evenings soon so please make sure you have booked an appointment to see your child's class teacher to discuss how they have settled in this year.

Finally, I would like to say thank you for the support in ensuring your child(ren) are wearing the correct uniform and have the correct PE kit. Please remember hair should be tied away from the face and we do not allow nail varnish or jewellery (apart from small stud earrings &/or a watch). Your continued support is always appreciated.

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## House Captains

After some outstanding election presentations, the children have voted and we are delighted to announce who the House Captains and Vice House Captains are for this academic year:

### Harriers

House Captain Rihana Ahmed  
Vice Captain Joel Watts

### Hawks

House Captain; Vice Captain Amelia Schofield  
Charlie Hay

### Falcons

House Captain Annabel Flenley  
Vice Captain Sofia Stoyanova

### Kestrels

House Captain Emilia Moore  
Vice Captain Ari Drake

Congratulations to all the successful candidates.

## Parents Evening

A letter was sent to parents this week with details of our next Parents Evening. This will be take place on Tuesday 11th October and Wednesday 12th October.

Parents will be able to book an appointment either in-person on Tuesday 11th or via a video call on Wednesday 12th, using the School Cloud Parents Evening booking system.

The booking system opens this Sunday 2nd October at 4:00pm and remains open until Tuesday 4th October at 10:00pm. We would encourage parents to take the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher to discuss their progress.

Please follow the link to book your child's appointment;

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

### Changes to Extra-curricular Clubs during Parents Evenings

There will be no extra-curricular clubs on Tuesday 11th October; Young Voices & Homework Club.

After School Club & Dance Club on Wednesday 12th October will take place as normal.



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## Parking

We would like to thank those parents who are parking with consideration every day.

We continue, however, to have a small number of incidents regarding poor parking and driving. Please allow enough time to park away from the school and walk the short distance to avoid parking congestion.

We have received an number of complaints regarding parents blocking our neighbours driveways or parking on the verges.

Please park with consideration.

## Weather Change

The weather has definitely become more autumnal and colder!

Can we remind parents that children are required to bring a coat to school every day. Children spend large amounts of time outside and will need a coat to keep warm.

Many of our KS2 P.E. lessons take place outside so a reminder that children should have joggers/leggings and a hoodie/zip top in school. These are ONLY allowed in navy or black please, no other colours or logos.

## PTFA News

If you are interested in becoming more involved in our Academy, please consider joining our very active PTFA. Please contact a member of the PTFA or the school office team to express your interest.

### AGM

Don't miss the AGM tonight (Fri 30th Sept) at Weston Cricket Club at 7.30pm.

### Christmas Card Fundraiser 2022

This year, as part of the PTFA Christmas fundraising activities, all children have been given the opportunity to design a Christmas card. Designs must be handed into the school office by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October. The PTFA will contact you via email with a link for paying for your order online, if you are paying with cash this must be handed in with the form.

### 100 Club

The PTFA has its own lottery called the *100 Club* which raises funds for the school. Anyone can join, parents, friends and grandparents. For just £15 a year you will receive two numbers that are entered into the monthly draws. Details will follow soon.

## 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/>**

### October

Wednesday 5th	Year 3 Multi-skills (selected pupils)
Thursday 6th	Chandra Class Swimming
Friday 7th	Deadline for PTFA Xmas Card Design Orders
Tuesday 11th	Parents Evening (In Person) 3:30pm-7:00pm
Wednesday 12th	Year 5/6 Cross Country Championship (selected pupils) Parents Evening (Video Call) 3:30pm-7:00pm
Thursday 13th	Chandra Class Swimming
Friday 15th	Deadline for PTFA Xmas Card orders -must be returned to school
Tuesday 18th	Year 5 & 6 Football Event (selected pupils)
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	<b>INSET Day - School closed to pupils</b>
<b>Friday 21st</b>	<b>INSET Day - School closed to pupils</b>
	<b>END OF TERM 1</b>
<b>Monday 31st</b>	<b>START OF TERM 2</b>