



Upton Primary Moving Times

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Upton-upon-Severn CofE Primary, Nursery and Pre-School and Riverboats SureStart Children's Centre
Working together to support the local community

Our School Vision is to offer inspiration to young lives 'Anything is possible, we can all succeed'

Bible quote for the week:

Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

Psalm 33:3

YOUNG VOICES

As we write Years 5 and 6 are attending the Young Voices concert at the Genting Arena in Birmingham. They have been learning songs over the last term, in readiness for this.

They will be performing as part of a huge voice choir, comprising of children from other schools.

The staff who are attending the day report that the atmosphere is electric and the experience thoroughly enjoyable.



WEBSITE UPDATE

This has been the first week with our new website. We are delighted with the amount of positive feedback we have had on this site and would like to thank you all for your support.

There have been a few minor teething problems and we are working on the Google search engine and have noticed that some documentation is not fully up-to-date.

We are currently updating these documents and will be increasing information in a variety of areas on the site over the next few weeks. If there is anything you would like to see on the site, please let us know and we will endeavour to include it.

At Upton we work together as a team!

EARLY YEARS PHONICS WORKSHOP

On Thursday afternoon we held a Phonics Workshop for all of our Early Years parents from the River Room, and Nursery and Reception classes.

The children showed their parents the wide variety of activities that encompass their phonics development. It gave the opportunity for pupils to teach their parents some of their phonics works, with support of the teachers. A most enjoyable and positive afternoon.

Thank you to all those who attended.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 24th January

Preloved uniform and Preloved Book sale after school on the school playground

Friday 9th February

Disco

Wednesday 7th March

Rags 2 Riches Collection

NEW PRELOVED BOOK SALE

Elizabeth Deacon is running our first Pre Loved Book Sale on 24 January alongside the Uniform Sale. She is collecting good quality second hand books (children and adult). Please pass them onto her at school drop off/pick up, or contact her via Friends Facebook page. Please donate as many as you can so we have a great selection to chose from. All proceeds will go to the Friends.

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

The Friends are delighted to have secured a grant from the Hawthorne Trust for £2,600 to fund our computer technology within school providing the installation of a new touch screen board in the Year 1 Classroom.

If anybody knows of any other Trusts which we would be eligible to apply to for grants then please let a member of the committee know or the school office.

FOREST SCHOOL

The Forest School program for this term has been severely impacted by the weather. The location of our school in close proximity to the River Severn carries many benefits for us. However, when the flood barriers go up it has an impact on our forest school sessions. Mrs Gabriel has been running her weekly sessions on the school site and Year 4 understand that their full day is unable to go ahead until the weather conditions improve and Clive's Fruit Farm is less of a water bog!



HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

- Rupert Clifford for superb homework on his half-term topic 'Cold Climates'.
- Liam Ashfield for helping Mrs Wills to explain to some prospective parents how we use the library.
- Alana Robinson for making excellent progress during the week

They will be invited to a Headteacher's Tea Party

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017 / 2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

Spring Term Starts	Wednesday 3rd January
Spring Half Term Break	Monday 19th February to Friday 23rd February
Spring Term Ends	Thursday 29th March
Easter Break	Friday 30th March (Good Friday) to Friday 13th April
Summer Term Starts	Monday 16th April
May Day	Monday 7th May (school closed)
Summer Half Term Break	Monday 28th May (Bank Holiday) to Friday 1st June

Thank you everyone from Mrs Julie Wills and the Upton Team