



Upton Primary Moving Times

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Summer Term - Issue 30

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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 this:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

SATs

These letters stand for Standard Attainment Tests. There is much written about the way young children are tested and the stress that this can place children under. In our school we emphasise learning is a process that continues throughout our lifetime, whether we are in school or not. Even as adults we all learn and have to take tests and we will always have a slight degree of anxiety as we do so. We focus on our learning taking place in a happy and relaxed environment and that any 'testing' that needs to be done is simply to ensure that we know exactly the next steps our children need to take in their learning journey. As our children in KS1 and KS2 undertake the Standard Attainment Tests over the next few weeks, please ensure that at home you support us in ensuring your children are relaxing and join us in our aim to reduce any anxiety. The link below provides some very useful tips and suggestions and I recommend you read this, whatever stage your children are at:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/top-10-ways-calm-your-childs-fears-about-sats>

BELLBOATING REGATTA - SATURDAY 30th JUNE - 12.30 pm

This year's Bellboating Regatta will be taking place at the Tewkesbury Marina. Teams of children from Years 4 to 6 are needed for this Regatta and it would be lovely to have as many children as possible at this event.

We will also be entering the parent/teacher race. This event is a very enjoyable occasion and the atmosphere down at Tewkesbury Marina, by the River Avon, is happy and relaxed.

A letter regarding this will be sent out next week.

For the local community, entries are also welcomed from all clubs, organisations, pubs, businesses, youth groups, scouts, guides, etc. with crews of 8 paddlers of any age.

For an entry form please contact Andy Train:

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WATER SAFETY

As we are a school that is based so closely to the river we feel it is vital to link our curriculum to this valuable resource. The river can be a very stunning and tranquil place but likewise it can also be an extreme danger. The water poses a risk to both adults and children, be it a paddling pool, fish pond, swimming pool, the sea or the river.

There is a very informative article on the website www.soundingsonline.com entitled 'Drowning Doesn't Look Like Drowning'. Those of us who work on the river, as part of our safety on water, understand how to keep people safe during the activities we participate in. The article is aimed at raising awareness so that we can help keep our community safe near the water.



FRIDAY 18TH MAY

ROYAL DISCO

RED, WHITE AND BLUE DAY

Red, white and blue themed non-uniform day. Please bring in donations of sweets, biscuits and chocolates for our summer fair. All donations are to be taken to the hall during morning drop-off. Year 5 are to bring their donations to school on Thursday 17th May.

WEDNESDAY 6TH JUNE

Any items for Bric-a-Brac stall can be dropped off at the Friends Shed at school drop off and pick-up. Alternatively contact Friends committee to arrange convenient time.

FOREST SCHOOL WATER WALL

Could we please ask for donations of off-cuts of plastic piping, guttering etc. to create a water wall in our Forest School area.

These can be brought into school anytime up to Friday 25th May.

MISS WRIGHT

We would like to wish Miss Wright all the best as she leaves us to go on maternity leave. Miss Wright has been with us since last September and has established a strong after-school club which continues to grow in numbers. We will let you know as soon as we hear any exciting news.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



- ◆ Dougal Gittins for super spelling, reading and writing
- ◆ Alice Hodges for achieving an excellent result with her reading assessment

They will be invited to the next Headteacher's Tea Party

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

Nursery and Reception
Thursday 24th May at 6.00pm
(inviting parents in for a bedtime story)

Years 1 and 2
Thursday 24th May at 1.30pm
(parents to help make something bright for our Tin Forest)

Years 3 and 4
Friday 25th May at 9.00am
(museum tour of Egyptian artefacts)

Years 5 and 6
Friday 8th June at 9.00am
(parents to help make Greek theatre masks)

BREAKFAST CHURCH UPTON PARISH CHURCH

The breakfast church is back at Upton Parish Church, This Sunday morning, May 13th, at 9.30am. All the usual fun activities for children (bouncy castle, video games etc.), along with bacon rolls, real coffee, and lots of other breakfast treats. All are welcome along from 9.30am on Sunday morning. There will be a short all-age service, including a baptism, from 10.00am.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Half Term	Monday 28th May (Bank Holiday) to Friday 1st June
Sports Day	Friday 15th June
School Fete	Friday 8th June
Summer term ends	Monday 23rd July
Autumn term starts	Wednesday 5th September

Thank you everyone from Mrs Julie Wills and the Upton Team