



# Upton Primary Newsletter

10th September 2021

**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'  
Providing enriching experiences to foster aspiration  
'To inspire ... To aspire'**

**I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (*Philippians 4:13*)**

## WEEKLY BIBLE QUOTE

Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

*Isaiah 43:18-19*

## **WELCOME BACK TO THE 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR**

What a wonderfully stunning start we have had to our new academic year. We were able to have a whole school assembly outside in the sunshine where we celebrated with joyful singing, everyone joining in with our iSingPop song 'Fighting for Love' The theme of our assembly was 'New Beginnings' and we are going to be focusing this term on our half-term's theme which is 'Responsibility'.

We have many exciting things planned for this academic year and there is fresh hope that we are coming to the end of the impact of the Covid crisis on our daily lives. All the teachers have enjoyed meeting their new classes for the first time and there is such enthusiasm from our children - the week has been most enjoyable. As you can see from the picture all of Key Stage 2 demonstrated to Key Stage 1 how to perform the actions to the song and everyone enjoyed a spot of iSingPop movements led by Indigo, Harvey and Jenson.



### GOVERNORS UPDATE

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to welcome everyone back to school! I am excited about the opportunities that lie ahead for the whole school community as we continue to offer inspiration to young lives.

I would also like to thank Tracy Kelly-Freer for her service and commitment to our school as Chair of Governors over the last three years. She has done a brilliant job and we are all thankful for the part she has played in helping Upton-upon-Severn CofE Primary to be such a fantastic school.

As the new Chair of Governors, I count it a privilege to be able to serve and lead alongside such a wonderful team. My prayer for every child, staff member and family this academic year is that, together, we would overcome the challenges, celebrate the triumphs and empower one another to be the best we can be.

Thanks, *Shell*



### TEDDY

Following on from the wellbeing questionnaire that we had sent out to the whole school community during the last academic year, we would like to welcome to the Upton team Teddy who is going to be our school wellbeing dog. However, Mrs Wills is going to train Teddy with the support of the relevant dog trainers to hopefully become a registered therapy dog. This is a significant training commitment and we will be ensuring that everything is done under a strict risk assessment protocol and the dog will not be mixing with the children.

Teddy is settling in well to his new home with Mrs Wills and to the school routine. He will gradually be introduced to the children once he has started his relevant training but these will be with specific upper KS2 children in the first instance. No child will have contact with the dog unless parental permission has been sought.

Please be reassured that the school's funding will continue to be used for all our children's education. The dog has been bought and is owned by Mrs Wills. We look forward to you seeing Teddy out and about in Upton, on his daily walking schedule.

### PHOTOS

School photos will be taken on the morning of **Thursday 16th September**.



### **THIS SCHOOL IS A**



**NUT  
FREE  
ZONE!**

### NUTS

Due to nut allergies in school, may we please remind all parents/carers to ensure that their child's breaktime snack/lunch does consist of nuts of any type.

### YEAR 6 ENTERPRISE FAIR

On Wednesday 15th September, Year 6 will be holding the postponed Year 6 Leavers' Enterprise Fair. The Year 6 cohort from last year had created some excellent products to be sold during the Enterprise Fair, which the current year 6 will be selling to children in school on Wednesday. Items range from 20p to £1. Posters are displayed around school showing available items and also their price. Should you wish your child to buy any of the items that are on sale, please send them to school on Wednesday with the correct amounts as no change can be given.

### CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

From next week this part of the Newsletter will contain a brief overview from each class about what they have been doing during the week. We are looking at different ways of sharing this information with you and we hope to have 'pupil voice' included alongside the great learning that they are taking part in during the week in their classes.

### 20 YEARS SERVICE

This week we celebrated the fact that Mrs Malpass has been with our school for 20 years. She has taught many children during this time and has experienced nearly every age group within the school. It is always a privilege to acknowledge the commitment of a member of staff who has served our community so fantastically and we congratulate her on this milestone.



### SPEECH AND LANGUAGE

It's great to see everyone back in school again this week! Here are some resources to help children get back into the morning routine.

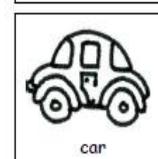
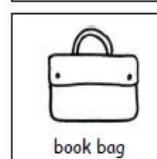
These resources can be downloaded from [www.hacw.nhs.uk/childrens-speech-and-language-resources](http://www.hacw.nhs.uk/childrens-speech-and-language-resources) - look under 'Resources to help at home'.

## Getting ready for the day

### Task Management Boards – Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1

#### Morning Routine Pictures

	<b>Wake up!</b>	
	<b>Wash your hands</b>	
	<b>Brush your teeth</b>	
	<b>Get dressed</b>	
	<b>Make your bed</b>	
	<b>Eat your breakfast</b>	
	<b>Check what you need today</b>	
	<b>Get your bag ready</b>	



If you have any concerns about your child's communication skills, please phone or email the school office, and I will call you back on my next visit to school. You can also contact me directly on 01562 752749.

***Keren Somers (Speech and Language Therapist)***

## FAMILY LEARNING

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2021

Support your child in school and at home  
Become more inclusive  
Improve the wellbeing of your family  
Boost your own health and happiness

**BOOK YOUR SPACE NOW!**

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### Learn how to :



Here are the [New Autumn 2021 Family Learning courses](#) for Parents and Carers in Worcestershire. Parents/Carers can attend any course below FREE if they are unemployed and on benefits or they earn less than £17,000 per year. Parents can also attend for FREE if their child receives a Free School Meal or is known to their school SENCo. Professionals can also support parents in need by booking them directly onto the course on their behalf or parents can ring our team directly for support on 01905-728537. All Family Learning courses can be found at: [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses)

Places need to be booked before Friday 24th September in order to enroll in time to start the 8 week courses.

The Family Learning full course list and booking links are as follows:

- [Maths in Early Years for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/MagnificentMaths](https://rebrand.ly/MagnificentMaths)
- [Maths in Key Stage 1 for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/MathsKeyStage1-FL](https://rebrand.ly/MathsKeyStage1-FL)
- [Maths in Key Stage 2 and 3 for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/MathsSecondarySchool-FL](https://rebrand.ly/MathsSecondarySchool-FL)
- [Phonics in the Early Years for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/PhonicsEarlyYears](https://rebrand.ly/PhonicsEarlyYears)

- [Literacy in the Early Years for parents - https://rebrand.ly/EnglishEarlyYears](https://rebrand.ly/EnglishEarlyYears)
- [English in Key Stage 1 for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/EnglishKeyStage1](https://rebrand.ly/EnglishKeyStage1)
- [English in Key Stage 2 & 3 for Parents - https://rebrand.ly/EnglishKeyStage2and3](https://rebrand.ly/EnglishKeyStage2and3)
- [STEM in Key Stage 1 & 2 for Families - https://rebrand.ly/STEMCourse](https://rebrand.ly/STEMCourse)
- [Cook with your Family - https://rebrand.ly/CookWithFamily](https://rebrand.ly/CookWithFamily)
- [Cook with your Teenager - https://rebrand.ly/CookWithTeen](https://rebrand.ly/CookWithTeen)
- [E-Safety - https://rebrand.ly/ESafetyFamilyCourse](https://rebrand.ly/ESafetyFamilyCourse)
- [Thinking about Employment - https://rebrand.ly/ThinkingAboutEmployment](https://rebrand.ly/ThinkingAboutEmployment)
- [Cooking on a Low Budget - https://rebrand.ly/CookWithBudget](https://rebrand.ly/CookWithBudget)
- [Art to Support your Wellbeing - https://rebrand.ly/ArtToSupportWellbeing](https://rebrand.ly/ArtToSupportWellbeing)
- [Art to Improve your Self-Awareness - https://rebrand.ly/ArtImproveSelfAwareness-FL](https://rebrand.ly/ArtImproveSelfAwareness-FL)
- [Art to Support your Child's Wellbeing - https://rebrand.ly/ArtToSupportChildWellbeing](https://rebrand.ly/ArtToSupportChildWellbeing)
- [Family Wellness Course - https://rebrand.ly/FamilyWellness](https://rebrand.ly/FamilyWellness)
- [SEND - Managing their Mindfulness - https://rebrand.ly/ManagingMindfulnessSEND](https://rebrand.ly/ManagingMindfulnessSEND)
- [SEND - Strategies for Positive Behaviour - https://rebrand.ly/SEND-PositiveBehaviour](https://rebrand.ly/SEND-PositiveBehaviour)
- [Signalong Workshop for Adults - https://rebrand.ly/SignalongWorkshop](https://rebrand.ly/SignalongWorkshop)
- [Communicating with Deaf or Hearing Impaired People - https://rebrand.ly/CommunicatingWithDeaforHearingImpaired](https://rebrand.ly/CommunicatingWithDeaforHearingImpaired)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sessions Commence:  
7<sup>th</sup> Sept. '21 Onwards



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- ✘ Established in 2005
- ✘ Keeping your kids active & happy
- ✘ Licensed Coaches all DBS checked and Insured
- ✘ Different age groups
- ✘ Early years development as well as football skills



Location: The Hill Centre, YMCA, WR8 0EN  
 Day: Tuesday  
 Time: 09:15-10:00  
 Cost: £24 Per Month



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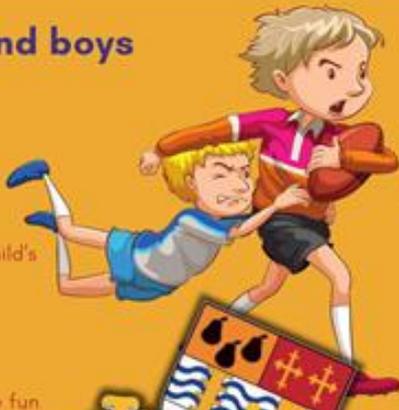
**UPTON RUGBY CLUB**  
**MICRO RUGBY**  
**AGES 4-6**

Rugby for girls and boys  
**Every Sunday**  
**10.00- 10.45am**  
**Banwell Park**

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- Respect
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**COME AND GIVE IT A TRY**  
 Free taster sessions for first three weeks