

30th June 2023

Upton Primary Newsletter

Upton-upon-Severn CofE Primary, Nursery 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

[James 2:24](#) - You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone

TANZANIAN VISITORS

On Wednesday it was wonderful to welcome Edina Mussa, Headteacher of our Tanzanian link school Changa English Medium School. The heads from the other Tanzanian schools all arrived in our country on Wednesday evening and we welcomed them with a meal at a restaurant in Malvern. During their time here they will all be visiting some of the schools in the Malvern area, with Edina spending her time in our school. They are working to see how we teach our children and what impact the teaching has on our children's learning. They are looking for strategies to take back to Tanzania to support the development of their children's learning skills within their own schools. This is a very wonderful opportunity for our school and also Edina's school. We can learn so much from each other and as our cultures and climates are so very different it is a really valuable learning opportunity for us all to find out the differences between the two schools.

We welcomed Edina to our school with a celebration worship assembly where the children sang and played the hand bells.

Edina experienced our sports day today and was fascinated with the way the process ran and delighted to be given the opportunity to present the cups at the end of two sessions.

They will all also be experiencing some of our English traditions and have a tour of the Upton, Malvern and Worcester areas. This weekend we will be taking Edina to the Malvern Theatre, The Malvern Priory for a church service and on Sunday from 2.00pm we have our official school fete and I look forward to seeing our school community there.









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SPORTS DAY

Although the weather started a little bleak this morning we managed to run our sports day between the showers and we would like to thank you everyone for making sports day so fabulous. The children sprinted, hurdled and had lots of fun doing their obstacle and relay races. It was great to see how all of the children and parents support each other being competitive and respectful.

Key Stage 2 results were: Wye - 685, Severn - 725, Teme - 810 and Avon - 835

Key Stage 1 results were: Wye - 560, Severn - 580, Teme - 725 and Avon - 535

The overall winning team with 1535 points was Teme.





YEAR 3 COMMANDERY TRIP

Year 3 visited the Commandery Museum in Worcester this week as part of their Tudor history work. They had a tour of the museum and took part in workshops about Tudor food, writing and clothing. To spend time in a Tudor building really enriched the children's learning and we are grateful to The Friends for their contribution towards the cost of this trip. Our thanks go to Poppy and Ezra's mums for helping all day.





ROUNDERS TOURNAMENT



On Monday afternoon Mrs Davies took two teams of children from Years 5 and 6 to take part in a rounder's competition at Hanley Castle High School. We entered one competitive team and another team who played a fun tournament.

All the children had a lovely time and played with excellent teamwork. In the end the team came away in 2nd place after a hard fought final match.

DEPUTYHEAD AND SENDCO

My congratulations go to Adam Kent, our Deputy, who has recently been successful in his application to be Deputyhead at a large private school in Worcester from September. This is a step up in his career ladder and I am delighted that the work he has done at Upton has supported him in his successful application. Another staffing change from September comes from our special needs coordinator Jo Ludlow who, after seven years of working in Upton, is leaving us. We wish them both success for the future.

This gives us the opportunity to roll together the Deputyhead post with the SENDCo post and I can confirm that we have been successful in appointing Mrs Jo Vizor to this role. Mrs Vizor has vast experience with SEND children's needs and in a leadership capacity at her current school.

We will also be welcoming two new class teachers, Mrs Amy Goode and Mr Steven Smith, from September. The one will replace the teaching role of Mr Kent with the other replacing a current temporary job share post, enabling Mrs Gabriel to go back to teaching forest school sessions.

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Vizor, Mrs Goode and Mr Smith to our Upton team.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

This week I have awarded Nazar (Year 3) a Headteacher's Award for writing a fantastic letter about himself to one of the children in our Tanzanian link school.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



FAMILY COACH

Families gaining the knowledge, skills and confidence to live well across the Wyre Forest

The Family Coach

Can offer practical tools and techniques, advice and encouragement to motivate people to change behaviours, achieve better health choices and set goals for themselves, their families and the wider community.

We offer confidential, personalised support to help families live a happy and healthy lifestyle by providing bespoke support with what matters most to each family. This might include:

- Healthy eating, meal planning and cooking tips
- Mental Health Support
- Finances
- Being more active
- Stopping smoking
- Improved sleep

This service is for families who have one or more children who are under/ overweight, families who are not able to access existing weight management services in their area, and families who may experience other inequalities.

Eligibility Criteria

- Children identified as needing support with healthy eating and weight management.
- Unable to access other weight management services, i.e. Henry
- Families who are impacted by health damaging behaviours.
- Support for families where parents have been recently diagnosed with High blood pressure or diabetes
- Age range for service 2.5 years - 18 years
- Priority to families from IMD 1 and 2 within the Wyre Forest

ONSIDE
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HAF it! 2023

Free

Summer clubs

Free activities in Worcestershire for children and young people in receipt of benefits related FSM

www.haf-it.co.uk

SCAN ME



Re-opening for the 2023 Summer Season
after Flood Damage

10:30 am – 4:30 pm

Saturday 8th July

Three Floors of exhibits

Glorious Gardens

Free Entry

Children's 'Mouse Trail' - Sales table

Normal Opening hours:

1.30pm – 4.30pm Thursday – Sunday & Bank Holidays

Saturday 10.30 - 4.30pm

New Volunteers welcome

Please talk to a volunteer on duty or contact us

thetudorhousemuseumupton.org and Facebook

16-18 Church Street, Upton upon Severn, Worcester WR8 0HT

Registered Charity No.1160419



Starting at Upton RFC

Girls Summer Touch Rugby

Every Wednesday 18:30 till 19:30

Running 5th July until 23rd August



No need to book - just turn up on the night. You can also contact Mr Staite on 07974 156871 for further information.

Grace Kelly
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