

6th January 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

[Titus 2:7](#) - Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity,

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would like to wish our entire community a happy new year for 2023. We welcomed our children back to school on Wednesday and we were delighted to see the happy and confident faces coming through the school gates once more. In our morning worship we looked at how the new year was celebrated in London and also focused on the tradition of New Year Resolutions. We asked the children the question '**What will we do differently in 2023 to make our school even better?**' The children responded with the points below:

- Try to always be kind
- Work as hard as you possibly can all the time
- Persevere
- Always use good manners
- Respect the adults

- To work as a team more often
- Play together nicely

We are currently reviewing our schools Behaviour Policy and all of these aspects that the children say are important to our school will be included in our new policy.

Looking forwards to 2023 the Governors and I are currently rewriting the School Development Plan to ensure impact for our children's future. Below is a link asking some questions to ensure that our parental and community feedback enables us to work strongly together as a team because 'Anything is possible, we can all succeed':

<https://schoolforms.uk/T/FBohF4WOa8gk2nRZVI>



YEAR 6 - WW2 TOPIC

Year 6 are focussing their historical study on WW2 this term and in particular the impact of the war on our town. We are aware that children were evacuated to Upton for a period of time. If any members of the community have any information or stories they could bring in or email we would be very grateful (Year6@uptonuponsevern.worcs.sch)

YEAR 2 - FIRE STATION VISIT

During the last week of term, children from Year 2 visited the Upton Fire Station as part of our topic on 'The Great Fire of London'. This gave the children an excellent opportunity to compare fire equipment from 1666 to present day and identify how fire fighting has evolved over the years. The children were treated to a fabulous morning, where they were able to ask many thoughtful questions and get hand-on with some of the modern day equipment that firefighters use to respond to emergencies. A special thank you to Mr Dodd for providing such brilliant insight and Mrs Dodd for helping to organise. We were also accompanied by parent helpers from the class who also kindly spared part of their day to support the visit- thank you.



NEW NEWSLETTER FORMAT

As we broke up we presented to you our new Newsletter format and we hoped you found this useful. We experimented with the video presentation format and in the questionnaire that we are sending out to you we ask for some feedback regarding this. We are hoping to include a video a regular basis but please bear with us as we experiment with this new form of media presentation.



1 - SCHOOL PARKING - URGENT

As a school in a residential area it is **VITAL** that we ensure positive working relations with our neighbours. I am disappointed to have to report that we have once more received complaints regarding parking issues from parents when dropping off and picking up children. **PLEASE** respect our neighbours and think carefully about where to park. The Upton Rugby club park is always open at these times of the day and there are plenty of spaces available for parents to park with a short a walk then to the school via the footpath alongside The Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE -

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 *Keren Somers (Speech and Language Therapist)* directly on 01562 752749.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ukrainian Christmas with our Ukrainian Friends

Everyone is welcome to join the celebrations- especially the Parade. Do wrap up warm, bring a torch and your child's star to carry!

Усі бажаючі можуть приєднатися до святкувань, особливо до параду. Укутайтеся тепло, візьміть із собою факел і зірку вашої дитини!





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OPEN MORNING INVITATION

We invite you to visit RGS Worcester to discover how we prepare pupils for life, and learn about the amazing opportunities that we can offer your child.

14 January 2023
9.00am - 1.00pm

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