



# Upper Beeding Primary School

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Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and wish you a very Happy New Year. It has been super to see so many smiling faces returning with exciting tales to tell of their adventures over the holidays. We are already back in the swing of things here at school and looking forward to a host of events in the coming year. Please refer to the school calendar on our website and the diary dates at the end of this newsletter for further information.



**Covid-19** At this current moment in time, we are continuing with the same systems before Christmas: enhanced cleaning, hand washing and ventilation, to keep the children and staff as safe as possible. We are also still able to have volunteers and visitors to help in school provided they have a negative LFT immediately prior to coming in.

Should your child have any symptoms of Covid-19, such as a temperature, persistent cough or loss of taste or smell, please book them a PCR test and ensure they isolate until the result is back and confirmed as negative. The new variant symptoms are more like a cold and appear to be starting with a sore throat/headache/sore eyes. Thank you so much for your ongoing support as we try to ensure our school runs as normally as possible for the children.

**Topic Letters and Topic Books** You will all be receiving topic letters and topic webs from the class teachers this week, giving you more information about what the children will be experiencing this term. Children will also be bringing home their topic books containing all their amazing work from last term to celebrate with you. Both the children and teachers have written comments about their learning and work and we would appreciate it if you could add your thoughts and return the topic books back to school by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January**.

**Spring Term After School, Before School and Lunchtime Clubs** A list of the available extra-curricular activities is now on the website for the Spring Term and a copy is also attached to this email. Extra copies can be obtained from the school office.



**PE Kits** Please can you ensure that your child has suitable PE clothing and footwear in school every day. PE is part of the curriculum and a significant number of children are missing lessons through not having a PE kit in school.



**Winter Weather** Please ensure that all children have waterproof winter coats in school, together with hats, gloves and a change of footwear when appropriate. This is especially helpful with the variable weather we are having. All items should be clearly named.

**Free School Meals** If you are entitled to Free School Meals and are not currently taking this up, or if you are unsure whether you might be entitled to Free School Meals, please speak to Mrs Gilliam in the school office in confidence as this could help with funding from the Government for both the school and your child.



**Children Starting School in September 2021** Applications can be made via [www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions) and the deadline for applications is **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022**. Any applications received after this date will be treated as late applications, and will not be considered by Pupil Admissions until all other applications have been dealt with. If you have any queries regarding the application process, please speak to Mrs Gilliam in the school office.

Best wishes

Becky Linford, Head Teacher





## Dates for Spring Term 2022

Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	1:00pm Italy and Iceland Classes Swimming
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	KS1 Bicycle Experience
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	1:00pm Italy and Iceland Classes Swimming
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2:45pm <b>Kenya</b> Class assembly
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3:45pm Year 5/6 Netball Competition
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3:45pm Year 5/6 Cross Country Competition
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	1:00pm Italy and Iceland Classes Swimming
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	1:00pm Italy and Iceland Classes Swimming – LAST SESSION
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	1:00pm KS1 Library Visitors
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	1:00pm Year 3/4 Zoolab
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming – FIRST SESSION
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	KS1 Tractor Visit
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Focus Week – Shakespeare
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb to Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term Week – School Closed
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	3:30-6:30pm Parent Teacher Meetings
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	World Book Day
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	3:30-5:30pm Parent Teacher Meetings
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Thu 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Red Nose Day for Comic Relief
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	2:45pm <b>Iceland</b> Class assembly
Thu 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	FUBS Mother's Day Gift Sale
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	2:45pm <b>France</b> Class assembly
Thu 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Year 5/6 Trip to Science Museum
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	1:00pm Mexico and India Classes Swimming
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (weather permitting)
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr to Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Year 5/6 Residential Visit to Isle of Wight
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Apr to Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Easter Break – School Closed



## Academic Year 2021 to 2022

Term	Dates
<b>Autumn Term 2021</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October <b>Ends:</b> Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December <b>Bank Holidays:</b> None <b>INSET Days:</b> Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September, Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
<b>Christmas Break</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> December to Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January
<b>Spring Term 2022</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Ends:</b> Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April <b>INSET Days:</b> None
<b>Easter Break</b>	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
<b>Summer Term 2022</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June <b>Ends:</b> Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July <b>Bank Holidays:</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May, Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June, and Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June <b>INSET Days:</b> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June, Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July

