

Upper Beeding Primary School

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Friday 4th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Message from Mr Andrews

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term – I hope you all had an enjoyable half term with your children. It was great to see so many of you at our two Parents Evenings this week; several of you have said that the return to face to face meetings made the experience more informative and that you appreciated having the opportunity to see the children's work on the displays.

I would like to thank all of you who supported the FUBS Pumpkin competition and the Light Trail; judging the best pumpkins competition was tricky as they were all so good and looked very impressive on our school field when lit. It was a tremendous success and your kind donations raised an incredible sum.

Just a reminder that if you are allowed in to our car park in the mornings to please drive **slowly**. We had a near miss involving a pupil on Wednesday. The morning drop off is a very busy time and the children are not always aware of the traffic around them so please take care when approaching the school in your car. The school car park will remain out of use to all parents at both drop off and pick up times unless there are significant exceptional circumstances agreed with the school in advance. May we also remind you that there must be no parking in the coned area, on the zigzag markings, and in the school gateway so that our children can get in and out of school safely.

Our school staff are an incredibly hardworking and dedicated bunch and value communication between home and school. If you email a member of staff they will endeavor to reply that same day, but you should not expect a response between 5:30pm and 8:00am.

This looks like being a very exciting and busy half term for the children with the excitement of our Christmas events to come! I look forward to seeing you at our Christmas Market on the 2nd December.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable Bonfire Weekend.

Mr Andrews

Events Coming Up



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal As in previous years we will be selling poppies and other poppy-related goodies such as pencil sharpeners and wrist bands to support the Royal British Legion. These will be on sale at school from Monday, and our House Captains will visit each class every day until Friday morning, or earlier if they sell out. Please be aware that all of our poppies are stick on so our children do not have to handle pins.

Poppy Competition To mark Remembrance Day, Upper Beeding Primary School are having a Poppy Competition. Children can choose to take part by completing some artwork for our poppy display. Art can be any size or any medium – paint, pencil, fabric, collage, model etc Winning entries across the school will receive a prize. **Please send your poppy artwork in to Mrs Bonney in Year 6 by Wednesday, the 9th November.**

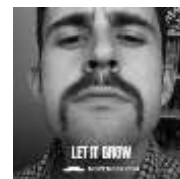




Annual Travelling Book Fair

Sales will take place at 3:30pm on Thursday 10th, Friday 11th and Monday 14th November. They will be held in the music room. **Access will be via the external door only** via the Reception outside area. Sales are cashless where possible this year, and you will have the opportunity to pre-order and pre-pay if you wish. Full details of how to do this were sent out by email yesterday.

November Mr Moule will be supporting the Movember charity again this year which aims raise awareness of men's health issues that can cause premature death. For the whole of November, Mr Moule will be growing a moustache in recognition of the charity, and at the end of the month children will be encouraged to bring in £1 and don a fake moustache for the day! For more information about the charity, or to donate to Mr Moule's cause, please see the letter coming out early next week with more details.



Children in Need – The Great Spotacular! Next week, a letter with further information will be coming home about the activities our eldest children will be running in school to raise money for Children in Need. We hope to have a cake sale and a book sale, and children can come to school wearing something spotty or yellow in exchange for a £1 donation. This is a great charity that we support every year, and this year Children in Need day is on **Friday 18th November**. If you could have a sort out of children's books over the weekend, that would be much appreciated – just drop them into the office next week!

Christmas Countdown We have a packed and very exciting December planned, and we will be sharing details with you very soon. Our Christmas Countdown newsletter will contain details of our Christmas shows and nativities, annual Reindeer Fun Run, FUBS Christmas Market, and everything else that is happening. You should have received details by email yesterday of how to book the Christmas Lunch.



FUBS News



Spooky Season Events! Thank you to everyone who took part in our Pumpkin Competition, attended our Light Trail event, and came along to our Freaky Friday fancy dress party. Special thanks go to Gareth and JoJo for hosting Freaky Friday at the Riser, and paying for the DJ. You helped us to raise just over £1000 which will support the purchase of themed books for the reading corners in each classroom.

FUBS Bag2School Collection Also a huge thank you to everyone who brought in bags for our collection, we had quite a heap in the car park! We will soon be receiving funds based on the weight collected, so thank you for your support. Next collection will be in March so why not plan a Spring sort out!



FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale The sale will take place as often as weather permits as we need it to be dry and not windy, but if you require anything urgently, please email or pop into the school office and we can have a look for you. All items are still just £1.00 each, so there's bargains to be had! We are always happy to take in donations of good condition, outgrown items too!

FUBS Meeting FUBS would like to say thank you to everyone who came to their last meeting, it was lovely to see you. Our super fundraising team is meeting again on **Thursday 10th November** at 7:45pm for an 8:00pm start in the Rising Sun. Please go along and find out what they do, and maybe get involved in some of the fabulous fundraising events they have planned for this academic year. The money FUBS raises for school is invaluable and we are so lucky to have such a dedicated team supporting UBPS. They are always happy to hear your fundraising ideas. If you can't come to the meeting, please contact them on FUBScontact@gmail.com



FUBS Christmas Gift Sale The letter regarding our annual Christmas Gift Sale went out yesterday. Final date for ordering gifts is Tuesday 15th November as FUBS need time to get the shopping done before the sale. If you are able to volunteer help with wrapping gifts, please pop along to the car park after school on Tuesday 22nd November.

FUBS Christmas Market Our fabulous Christmas event this year takes place on Friday 2nd December from 5:30 to 8:00pm. Wear something warm as some of it will be outside! There will be refreshments, BBQ, bar, Santa's Grotto, stalls,



tombolas, games and singing. We're looking forward to a fabulous evening.

If anyone would like to **SPONSOR** part of the evening, FUBS would love to hear from you – the BBQ, bar and Santa's Grotto are available – we will obviously advertise any support we receive, and FUBS thank you in advance. Please contact them on FUBScontact@gmail.com

If anyone would like a **STALL** at the Christmas Market please use this Google form to apply. Stalls are £20.00 each. <https://forms.gle/6LGTogCkfxRoFozM9> For further information, please contact FUBS direct FUBScontact@gmail.com

FUBS will be asking you all if you would kindly contribute to the Christmas Market – they are having two donation days on 25th November and 2nd December, but are happy to accept non-perishable items before then!! Your support is very much appreciated: mince pies, cakes, soft toys, lucky dip gifts, bottles, chocolate, tombola prizes (child and adult), and outgrown/unwanted Christmas jumpers (child and adult).



Amazon Smile FUBS are registered with Amazon Smile which means that Amazon will make a 0.5% donation to FUBS each time you buy something. All you have to do is shop via smile.amazon.co.uk rather than just amazon.co.uk, and select Friends of Upper Beeding School as your chosen charity. There are no extra costs or charges for this and Smile uses your usual Amazon account details. Please sign up to help us to make the most of this free money! **Make sure you do your Christmas shopping on Amazon Smile!!!**

Easyfundraising Friends of Upper Beeding School are also registered with Easyfundraising, which means over 4,000 shops and sites will now donate to us for FREE every time you use Easyfundraising to shop with them. These donations will help **SO MUCH**, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long <https://tinyurl.com/EFUBPS>

Eco News



The Eco Council are enjoying their new roles as Green Ambassadors for our school and, guided by Eco Leader Mrs Stringer, are busy making sure we do all we can to save energy.

The Classroom Recycling Challenge is picking up momentum, with the classes all wanting to win the cash prize for the most collected at the end of term, and take over the lead from Greece Class who triumphed in the Summer.

On Wednesday this week we emailed out details of the Bread Products Packaging recycling scheme, and encouraged you all to spread the word with family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues – let's stop this plastic going to landfill, especially as we get cash for the wrappers recycle!

YES

Any brand of plastic bread bags and closure tags

Any brand of bakery plastic packaging (e.g. plastic trays, zipper bags, plastic packs, etc.)

NO

Paper bags

Combined paper and film window bags

Wax wrap

Sporting News

Our children have been busy taking part in various sporting activities with local primary schools, and we are very proud of their achievement, and wanted to share them with you. Special thanks go to parents who transport the children to these events, and for their sidelines support during the matches.



Tag Rugby Festival Nine of our Year 5/6 boys went to the The Angmering School on 12th October to take part in a Tag Rugby Festival, accompanied by Mr Moule, which was great fun. The boys played very well, they came 5th overall, and special mention must go to our Isaac who was named Player of the Tournament – well done Isaac!



Annual Football Tournament 17th October saw fifteen of our Year 5/6 children attending the annual football tournament held at St Peter's Primary in Henfield, again accompanied by Mr Moule. A great time was had by all, and our teams came 4th overall.



Basketball Tournament On 20th October eight of our children took part in this tournament held at Steyning Primary School, again accompanied by Mr Moule. The team managed a second place overall which qualified them for the Area Finals which were held at The Angmering School yesterday. Fantastic effort! At the area finals our team of five came 5th overall – brilliant achievement team – well done!

Thank You



Jeans for Genes Thank you for your support of our bi-annual collection to support Jeans for Genes and the vital funding they provide to their charity partners for research and support of children and adults with genetic conditions. We raised £207.00!

Harvest Celebration Thank you to everyone who supported our Harvest with donations this year. We were able to send 20 crates of goodies to our local foodbank, and a large box of fresh fruit and vegetables to the local Community Fridge. Well done Year 3/4 for a great Harvest show, and our elderly community were very complimentary about the way you looked after them and served their tea and biscuits afterwards.



General Information

Warm Hub Just a reminder that the Warm Hub started this week at the Hub in Church Lane. It will be open every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00 noon until 5:00pm. Full details can be found using this link: <https://www.thehubbeeding.org/warmhub/>



Do you have a Child due to Start School in September 2023? Online applications have been available since 3rd October at westsussex.gov.uk/admissions. The deadline to apply for a place is **Sunday 15th January 2023**. If you have any queries regarding the application process, please contact Mrs Gilliam in the School Office.

Support for Parents Vicki Butchers is the Children and Family Worker at the Hub in Upper Beeding, and following on from the successful sessions held last term, Vicki is again offering appointments for parents to meet with her during the afternoon of December 7th. These 30 minute sessions are to give support and advice to parents with managing their children's behavior at home. Please contact the school office if you would like an appointment or further information.



Music Tuition at School If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument, we offer the following lessons at school. Please contact the instructors directly for further information, prices, and availability of lesson times.

Guitar	Mr Graham Hinton	graham.hinton@westsussexmusic.co.uk
Piano and Violin	Miss Natasha White	natasha.c.white@outlook.com
Drums	Mr Blake Mostyn	blake.mostyn@googlemail.com
Recorder / Flute / Clarinet	Mr Nick Chalk	nick.chalk@westsussexmusic.co.uk

Outdoor Clothing Please can we ask that all children have a suitable outdoor coat with them in school every day as the weather is so changeable at this time of year. Please ensure coats are named. Children also need a school jumper/cardigan with them



New Office Email Just a reminder that we have a new email address for the school office office@upperbeedingprimary.co.uk

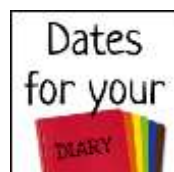
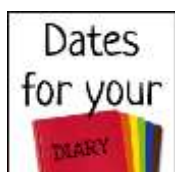
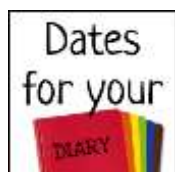


Communication Box To save you queuing at the office at peak times, our red communication box is in the entrance hall if you just need to hand something in. This box is emptied late morning every day. It can be used for letters/forms/FUBS items etc.



Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns you would like to share.

Best wishes
Matt Andrews
Head Teacher



Dates for Autumn Term 2022

Tue 8th Nov

Wed 9th Nov

Thu 10th Nov to Mon 14th Nov

Thu 10th Nov

Fri 11th Nov

Fri 11th Nov

Mon 14th Nov

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Wed 16th Nov

Fri 18th Nov

Fri 18th Nov

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Thu 24th Nov

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Fri 16th Dec

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9:00 Reception Parents – Phonics Workshop

KS1 Ice Workshop with Mr Cunliffe

3:30pm Travelling Book Fair

7:45pm FUBS Meeting at Rising Sun

1:00pm First Session - Swimming Iceland and Norway

2:45pm USA Class Assembly

9:30am KS1 Fun Run Competition

3:45pm Yr 5/6 Netball Tournament

9:00 Reception Parents – Maths Games

Children in Need

1:00pm Swimming Iceland and Norway

2:45pm France Class Assembly

9:00am KS1 Veg Power

1:00pm Swimming Iceland and Norway

2:40pm Reception Parents – Story Time

2:45pm Kenya Class Assembly

FUBS Christmas Gift Sale

1:00pm Swimming Iceland and Norway

5:30 – 8:00pm FUBS Christmas Market

2:00pm KS1 Christmas Nativity to Parents

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KS1 and Reception Visit to the Panto

9:15 Reception Nativity to Parents

1:00pm Swimming Iceland and Norway

9:15am Year 5/6 Christmas Show to Parents

2:15pm Year 3/4 Christmas Show to Parents

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2:15pm Year 5/6 Christmas Show to Parents

Reindeer Fun Run

1:30pm Year 5/6 Christmas Show to Elderly Community

Chartwells Christmas Lunch

1:00pm Swimming Iceland and Norway

Last Day of Autumn Term



Academic Year 2022 to 2023

Term	Dates
Autumn Term 2022	Starts: Thursday 1 st September Half Term: Monday 24 th October to Friday 28 th October Ends: Friday 16 th December Bank Holidays: None INSET Days: Thursday 1 st September, Friday 2 nd September
Christmas Break	Monday 19 th December to Monday 2 nd January
Spring Term 2023	Starts: Tuesday 3 rd January Half Term: Monday 13 th February to Friday 17 th February Ends: Friday 31 st March INSET Day: Tuesday 3 rd January Monday 3 rd April to Friday 14 th April
Easter Break	
Summer Term 2023	Starts: Monday 17 th April Half Term: Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June Ends: Friday 21 st July Bank Holidays: Monday 1 st May INSET Days: Monday 5 th June, Friday 7 th July

