



Upper Beeding Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

We have had a busy few weeks since being back with children out on trips and all our lovely new Reception children starting school. Thank you for all your support for the Connors Saunders Foundation we raised £265.75! We also are pleased to tell you that we have achieved the Healthy Schools Rating Scheme – **GOLD!** Thank you to all children, parents and staff that took part last Summer Term.

KS1 Coffee Morning Wednesday 29th September 9:00 – 9:45am We are looking forward to welcoming our KS1 parents into school tomorrow to meet class teachers and enjoy time with each other. This is an informal gathering and parents will be able to come into school to the Main Hall once the children have entered and got to their classes.

“The Gingerbread Man – Harvest Celebration” – Wednesday 13th October Our Year 3/4 classes are leading an assembly for Harvest. This year, parents of children who are in Mexico, India and France classes are warmly invited to join us for our Harvest Festival assembly at **9:15am on Wednesday 13th October**. Unfortunately we will have to limit this to two people per family.



We will be sharing our Harvest assembly with the children on Tuesday 12th October.

This year, we would like to support our local food bank for the homeless based at Shoreham and would ask children to bring in donations of **tins or packets of food**. These items can be brought into school from **Monday 4th October**. Thank you for your support.

Flowers, fruit and vegetables to help decorate the hall would also be appreciated. It would be helpful if these things are brought to school on **Monday 11th October** so that they can be attractively displayed for the special assembly on the Tuesday and Wednesday.

It’s Good to Grow from Morrisons We are now collecting for this scheme so we can hopefully get some free gardening equipment for our school. If you shop at Morrisons, please download the MyMorrisons app, sign in or register to MyMorrisons and select us as the school you wish to collect for. You can then scan the app at the checkout or use online when shopping – thank you!

Contacting the Office Please could you add children’s class details to emails when contacting the school. Thank you for your support.

Communication Box To save queuing at the office at peak times, our red communication box is now back up and running again if you just need to hand something in. This box is emptied late morning every day.

Children Starting School for the First Time Applications are open from **Monday 4th October** and an information leaflet will be emailed out shortly for any families who have potential new starters. Please come and speak to Mrs Gilliam in the school office if you have any questions.



Healthy Snacks If your child would like a snack at morning break-time, we would be grateful if you could ensure that they bring in either fruit or vegetables. Please **do not** send your child to school with **sesame seeds, nuts, peanut butter or products containing nuts** for their morning snack or lunch as we do have children in the school who have severe allergies to such items. Grapes should be cut in half please. Fruit and/or vegetable morning snacks are provided by school



for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, but children can bring in their own if they prefer. Please note these should only be fresh fruit or vegetables for morning snack.

We also ask children to bring in a **named, clear plastic** bottle for drinking water in class. These should not be used for drinking squash or fruit juice in class. Bottles are available from the school office for £1.00.

Is Your Child Entitled to Free School Meals? Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Please remember that even if your child doesn't want to have the free meal, they could still benefit in other ways through the Pupil Premium funding we would receive as a school. For more information, please speak to Christine Gilliam in the Office.

You will receive an important brown envelope by the end of this week containing Data Collection Forms As you are aware, we hold information regarding your child at school which we update annually. We would be grateful if you could check the details, amend anything which needs to be updated, sign where indicated and return the form to the School Office **by Friday 8th October**. **Please sign and return the form to the school office, even if there are no alterations to be made.** **Many thanks.**



Cycling and Scooting to School It is great to see children cycling and scooting to school. We have, however, noticed a number of children not wearing safety helmets, which are a requirement of the school cycling permits and important for the safety of your child. Please can you talk to your children if they cycle about the importance of wearing a bike helmet. We would also remind everyone that children/adults must not scoot/cycle once they are on school grounds. All children cycling/scooting to school should have a cycle permit and if your child needs one, please collect a form from the school office.

Visitors and Volunteers We are very happy to now have volunteers back in school. If you would like to help in your child's class or know someone who would like to help out, please let the class teacher know and contact Rosie O'Hara in the school office on rohara.938@lgflmail.org You will need to have a DBS completed and re-sign our visitors and volunteers policy as it has been so long since we have been able to have anyone in school.



Extra-Curricular Clubs We are very pleased to have our external providers back in school and running clubs for the children after school. Details have already been emailed out as they became available, but you can contact the providers direct for further information.

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| Tuesday | Outdoors Project | rob.cruise@theoutdoorsproject.co.uk |
| Wednesday | Gymnastics | amandawadman@gmail.com |
| Thursday | Chelsea Football | Ben.Howlett@chelseafc.com |
| Friday | Sama Karate | info@samasoutheast.co.uk |

These are all external providers that charge parents for the club provision, and it is parent choice if their child attends. We will enable the children to change if required in school for their club and then they will take all their belongings to the care of the club leader/coach. At the end of the session, the club leader will bring the children to the front of the school, usually via the gate by Kenya class.

Lunchtime clubs are being introduced and a full list will come out to you soon.



Dates for your Diary We have planned in as much as we can for children and families over the academic year – see the list at the end of this newsletter - and all will go ahead unless circumstance and guidance change.

Recycling News! We are on a recycling mission here at Upper Beeding to make the world a greener place! Look out for the newsletter coming out later this week, and please talk to your children about the classroom recycling challenge and what you could collect that can be recycled for cash!

FUBS News!

Amazon Smile FUBS are now 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. So sign up quick to make the most of this free money!



EasyFundraising We've registered Friends of Upper Beeding School 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>

FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale The next planned sale is **Monday 4th October** (weather permitting). If you require anything before then, please email the school office and we can have a look for you.

FUBS "The Late Fete" We are pleased to announce that the annual fete will finally be held on **Saturday 16th October**. It's going to be a great day and more details will follow very soon, but put the date in your diaries now – you don't want to miss it!

Join the FUBS Team FUBS are looking for new members to join the team! If you would be interested in finding out more, please email fubsoffice@gmail.com and someone will contact you for a chat. They look forward to hearing from you.

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

Best wishes
Becky Linford
Head Teacher



Dates for Autumn Term 2021

Mon 27th Sep – Fri 1st Oct
Wed 29th Sep
Mon 4th Oct
Mon 4th Oct
Mon 4th Oct
Thu 7th Oct

Year 6 Bikeability Week
9:00am Year 1/2 Coffee Morning for Parents
Postponed Christ's Hospital Choral Day
Year 6 Tour of The Towers
FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
Individual School Photographs



Fri 8th Oct
 Tue 12th Oct
 Wed 13th Oct
 Fri 15th Oct
 Fri 15th Oct
 Sat 16th Oct
 Mon 18th Oct
 Tue 19th Oct
 Wed 20th Oct
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 Fri 10th Dec
 Mon 13th Dec
 Tue 14th Dec
 Wed 15th Dec
 Thu 16th Dec
 Fri 17th Dec
 Mon 20th Dec – Mon 3rd Jan

1:00pm Swimming Morocco & USA Classes
 9:15am Six Weeks In Meeting
 9:00am Harvest Assembly to Year 3/4 Parents
 KS1 Visit to Arundel Castle
 1:00pm Swimming Morocco & USA Classes
 3:00 – 8:30pm FUBS “The Late Fete”
 Year 3/4 Wow Day – Rainbow Theatre
 3:30 – 6:30pm Parent Teacher Meetings
 Year 1/2 Phonics Workshops
 FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
 3:30 – 5:30pm Parent Teacher Meetings
 Swimming Morocco & USA Classes
 Half Term – School Closed
 Maths Focus Week
 FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
 1:00pm Swimming Morocco & USA Classes
 9:00am EY Phonics and Hand Skills Workshop
 Year 3/4 Visit to Fishbourne Roman Palace
 1:00pm Swimming Morocco & USA Classes
 2:45pm USA Class Assembly
 Travelling Book Fair
 9:00am FUBS Bag2School Collection
 Travelling Book Fair
 9:00am EY Maths Workshop
 FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
 Children in Need
 Flu Vaccinations Years R – 6
 2:45pm India Class Assembly
 2:45pm Kenya Class Assembly
 FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
 FUBS Christmas Fair
 2:30pm KS1 Christmas Show to Parents
 2:30pm KS1 Christmas Show to Parents
 FUBS Christmas Gift Sale TBC
 EY Nativity to Parents TBC
 2:00pm KS2 Christmas Show to Parents
 2:00pm KS2 Christmas Show to Parents
 FUBS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
 4:30pm KS2 Christmas Disco
 Last Day of Autumn Term
 Christmas Break – School Closed



Academic Year 2021 to 2022

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

