

Upper Beeding Primary School

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Maths Through Stories Week Week Beginning Monday 6th November 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

During the week beginning Monday 6th November 2023, we will celebrate our love for maths by holding a Maths themed Story Week. With maths being such an important part of the National Curriculum, children of all ages should be able to become verbal and literate mathematicians. These skills are vital for children to be able to answer reasoning and mastery questions in their maths lessons. The aim of Maths Story Week is to teach maths through a creative and insightful medium. For this week each year group will be investigating numbers through stories. Here are the stories we will be using:



The Happy Puzzle Company



We are delighted to welcome the Happy Puzzle Company in school on **Wednesday 8th November** for a fun and engaging puzzle challenge day, working in teams and problem solving together. Each class will have a workshop with them during the day. **We would very much appreciate it if you** could contribute £2 to help towards the cost of this amazing math experience for all of our children. Contributions can be made via Squid.

The Happy Puzzle Company will also be bringing a large selection of resources from their catalogues for you to view with your child. All of the items in their puzzle shop can be purchased and taken away on the day. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to purchase maths problem games, if you so wish. This sale will take place after school in the Rainbow Room on Wednesday.

Maths Competitions



During the week there will be an in-house competition where representatives of each year group will join together with other children from the same house - Chanctonbury, Ditchling, Roundhill, and Truleigh - to see which house are Upper Beeding's Maths Champions!

We will also be running Sumdog and TTRockstar competitions for the children to take part in.



















Maths Photo Competition

We will be running a maths photographic competition next week. Children will be encouraged to photograph numbers they find in the local environment and ask a maths question related to it. This could be house numbers, number plates, numbers on vans, train and bus numbers, till receipts, football shirts, cinema seats, weight allowed over a bridge, 3 for 2 sale, telephone numbers etc. - the more unusual the better! We will be displaying



these pictures in school for all to see, and there will be a prize for the most interesting, plus runners up prizes. All entries will need to be in by **Thursday 9th November**. Winners will be announced in the whole school assembly on Friday.

Games Afternoon – Thursday 9th November 2:30pm – 3:15pm



From 2:30pm onwards, you are invited in to school to play maths games with your children in their classrooms. This is a great opportunity for you to share maths with your child in a fun and exciting way. The children will design their own maths games and will also have opportunities to play their games with their peers. We hope to see as many of you as possible.

This games afternoon is <u>not</u> for Reception parents – please check the letter you have already received giving details of the Reception parent participation workshops which are coming up.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stringer and Mr Jones Maths Key Stage Leaders

















