

Upham Newsletter

21 June 2019

Dates For Your Diary

Sat 22 June – 12.30pm

Upham Summer Fete

Mon 24 June – Please

return school

questionnaires

Tues 25 June – Sports

Day

Thurs 27 June – 2nd

New YR transition visit

10-11.30am

Fri 28 June – FUS Quiz

Nights for Parents

Tues 2 & Wed 3 – pm

Cathedral Leavers

service Y6 children

Wed 3 July – 3rd New

YR transition visit 10-

11.30am

Mon 8 July – 11.30am

Teddy Bear's Picnic New

YR and current Class 1

Tues 9 July – Reserve

Sports Day

Fri 19 July – 9am Y6

Leavers Service at

Blessed Mary Church

Fri 19 July – 3.30 FUS

Summer Fair

Tues 23 July – Last Day

of Term

**Wed 24 July – Summer
Holidays Begin**

Letters This Week:

Thurs – Year 6 re

Cathedral Leavers Visit

Fri- Class 4 Instagram

E-Safety Advice Sheet

Photo:
Watching
Bees and
Butterflies
at Forest
School



A few words from the headteacher ...

Class 1 children enjoyed their last 'Forest School' this week. What a wonderful series of sessions they have had over the last few months. When they started back at the beginning of May the leaves were just sprouting and the grass was short – yesterday it was at head height and full of butterflies! Every child has really enjoyed the visits – they experienced so much; making, telling stories, cooking popcorn, exploring nature and hunting monsters! We must say a huge thankyou to Tom Gregory for delivering and conceiving this project and a special thankyou to Jane Perrott for providing an amazing venue!

Upham Fete Tomorrow

It's the Upham Village Fete tomorrow. 12-3pm. Our children will be performing some traditional country dancing at 12.30 (can children gather by the maypole as you arrive at 12). Please note the different venue to previous years which is just before the fork at the church – The Manor House.

Upham at the Hampshire Games!

On Thursday, a group from Class 3 took part in the Hampshire Games. This prestigious event is the county-level competition for Primary schools, normally reached through winning a qualification event. We were personally invited to attend because we are so unusual as a small school in that we participate in more sports events than most of the large ones. The team took part in a multi-skills tournament and really enjoyed the event. They didn't win medals but had a great experience that will hopefully inspire them as they move through the school to engage in other competitions.

In other sports news, on Tuesday Class 3 boys and girls took part in tennis matches against Fair Oak Junior. Due to rain this was switched inside but everyone adapted well! Thanks to Mrs Bird for taking and to everyone who helped with transport.

Arrangements for Sports Day

Start Times

Sports Day on Tuesday will start at 1pm – parents will be able to come on-site from 12.45pm. At this time the playground will be available for parking; signalled by the front gate being opened.

Parking

If you are parking on the lane, please ensure you park considerately without blocking residents' drives. At all times, an emergency vehicle should still be able to pass through. The playground will be available.

Wet Weather

Should wet weather force us to cancel, I will make a decision as early as possible, by 11am at the latest. This will be posted on our website and we will parentmail.

Facilities

FUS will be providing refreshments – these are for families, please do not give to your children – they are engaged in sporting competition.

Adults should use the toilets by the office (signed for adults) and not children's ones in classes – this also applies if you are taking a pre-school child to the toilet.

Please ensure that no-one (including pre-schools) uses the play-trail equipment as there will not be the adequate supervision we normally provide.

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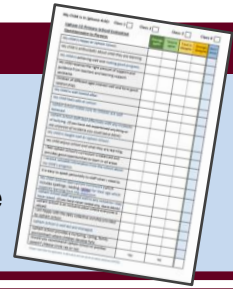
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There's Still Time to Share Your Views!

The box of questionnaires by the entrance has been steadily filling up. Thanks to everyone who has already returned theirs. Please can any remaining ones be returned **by Monday 24 June**, either to the office or in the labelled 'post box' just inside the main entrance door.



Exam merits & distinctions!

Well done to children in Year 3 and 4 who recently took LAMDA drama exams – similar to instrument exams but involving drama and performance. All of the children passed their Stage 3 Solo Introductory Exam with either merits or distinctions! Well done to Maia, George, Kamma, Lucy, Charlotte and Maddox! Thanks too to Mrs Gordon for giving the children this opportunity to succeed!

Diary Date

FUS will be holding the Summer Fair after school (3.30pm) on Friday 19 July. More information nearer the time.

Class 4 next week

Weather permitting, Class 4 children will be walking down the lane to see wildflower meadows on Wednesday next week. This is so they can study bees, to help them prepare artwork for the Diocese Leavers service later in the term.

Thanks FUS

An oversight on last week's newsletter was to say a big thankyou to FUS for the lollies during playtime – thanks to Mrs Smith, Mrs White and Mr Whitford for organising.

Thanks...

Thanks for the Bag2School donations. Hopefully the chance to spring-clean was welcome – it also raised £40.

Class 4 E-Safety Regarding Instagram

It was only a few weeks ago I mentioned some e-safety advice for Class 2 parents, this week we have some for Class 4. We have been made aware by a proactive parent that their child had created an Instagram account and had added what they felt were friends, which were actually adults. The child is fine due to the awareness of the parent. However, we are aware other children have accounts. We have sent home a guide today for Class 4 parents about Instagram – some useful information, especially regarding privacy settings which are not that private – anyone included as a friend gets past this setting and if you don't know this person in real life, they could be anyone. The age limit for Instagram is 13. To find out more, look in the e-safety section on our website or follow <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/>.

