

# Upper Beeding Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone; I hope you and your children had a good half term holiday. It has been a massively busy summer half term at Upper Beeding, with children taking part in sports competitions, school trips, singing events and meeting visitors to the school. The half term ahead looks just as jam-packed with Sports Day, Arts Week and lots of sports competitions to come!

Back in the second half of the Spring Term our Y3/4 football teams took part in a tournament at Henfield. The boys in both teams played incredibly well, with one team reaching the semi-final, having won all their games on the way to that match.

They were incredibly unlucky to concede a late goal right at the whistle having carved out chances for themselves against tough competition. I was very proud of how well they played and most importantly, of the way they supported each other in the disappointment of their loss. Well done boys!



Our Y5/6 Benchball team did incredibly well in their recent tournament, taking second place overall! Congratulations to all the children in the team and thank you to Miss Underdown for taking them to the event.

Our fantastic choir took part in the Chanctonbury Choir Festival at Steyning Grammar School in the last week of the Summer 1 half term. I'm sure that all who attended will agree with me that the children put on a very special performance and got the audience's toes tapping! Thank you to Mrs Disney for all the work she has done in rehearsing with the children to get them ready for the day and for taking the children to the event.

I am very pleased to announce that we have appointed Sarah Denyer to the role of SENCO, starting in September. Mrs Denyer is an experienced SENCO, having worked in the role for a number of years, and we are excited to welcome her to our team.

Best wishes,  
Mr Andrews, Head Teacher

## Attendance Update

Congratulations once again to Australia for being our best attending class! The class had the best attendance for Summer 1 and they will again have a 'golden play' and get to wear their own clothes to school on a day to be confirmed as their reward for excellent attendance.



FFT National  
Attendance Award  
2023/24

## Health and Safety News

Thank you to all those parents who currently have permission to use the staff car park and have been remembering to close the gate after them. The car park feels much safer for our children.

Over the summer holiday we will be having electric car park gates installed in order to improve our site security. Once in operation, entry to the car park for everyone who is not a member of staff will be controlled from the office so we will no longer be able to have parents entering the car park as we cannot guarantee a member of staff will be in the office to open the gates.



# General Information

**Contacting the office regarding changes to pick up** Just a reminder that if you need to advise any changes to pick up, and it is AFTER 12:00noon, please telephone the office rather than email, as we cannot always guarantee an email is seen after midday.



**Music Tuition at School** If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument, we offer the following lessons that take place here at school. Please contact the external instructors directly for further information, prices, and availability of lesson places – see list below:

Guitar	Mr Graham Hinton	<a href="mailto:graham.hinton@westsussexmusic.co.uk">graham.hinton@westsussexmusic.co.uk</a>
Piano and Violin	Miss Natasha White	<a href="mailto:natasha.c.white@outlook.com">natasha.c.white@outlook.com</a>
Drums	Mr Blake Mostyn	<a href="mailto:blake.mostyn@googlemail.com">blake.mostyn@googlemail.com</a>
Recorder/Flute	Mr Dom Smith	<a href="mailto:domsmithsmusic@gmail.com">domsmithsmusic@gmail.com</a>



**Pre-Loved Uniform Sales** The full sale will continue to take place as often as weather permits as we need it to be dry and not windy to put all the rails and boxes out, 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 are bargains to be had!

We are always happy to take in donations of good condition, outgrown uniform to keep the shop well stocked – please hand into the office.

We are anticipating the arrival of the new sheds very soon (the base is already laid!) – once the uniform is in a shed, it will be accessible every day the school is open, whatever the weather!

**Uniform and Costumes Storage** We are anticipating the imminent arrival of some sheds for the front of the school specifically for the uniform so it can be available to parents whatever the weather – we know how much this pre-loved clothing scheme means to some of our families, and we want to make it as accessible as possible. Eventually we hope to stock some pre-loved Steyning Grammar uniform too.



As well, we hope to build up a supply of costumes that can be hired very, very cheaply for topics, Wow Days, World Book Days, nativities etc. We plan to have these in a shed at the front of the building to be easily accessible when needed.

If you have any outgrown costumes in decent condition at home, we would be very happy to accept them for the proposed costume store.

We would welcome sponsorship towards the costs of the required storage – if you own a company, or work for a company, that may be interested in supporting this valuable resource, or would be willing to match fund what we have saved up so far, please contact Lou in the school office.

**A huge thank you must go to James and Coralie Willmott from Timber Rooms Ltd for sponsoring £450 (50%) for the large concrete base – thank you so much!**

**Book Shed** Once the sheds are installed, one of them will be devoted to books, audio books, and U category DVDs. Children will have the opportunity to pop in and borrow a book or film before and after school. As you know we love to encourage reading, and we hope the children will be as excited as us for this new venture.



If you have any children's books, audio books, or U category DVDs in decent condition at home, we would be very happy to accept them for the proposed book shed. Please hand into the office.



**Class Assemblies** Assemblies start at 2:45pm for families of the relevant classes

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June** – Mrs Duguid and **Australia** Class

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Mr Marsh and **Japan** Class

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – Mr Long and **Brazil** Class



**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.

**Sports Day – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June** Reception and KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) will be taking part in the morning and parents are welcome to come along to support - they start at **10:45am**. Gates will be open at 10:35am.

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) will be starting their games at **1:15pm**. They will need to go inside at 1:00pm to register for the afternoon. We will ensure children have access to plenty of water and will keep them out of the sun when we can. Please can we ask KS2 parents to stay on the parent side of the track during the afternoon – thank you for your support with this.

You are all warmly invited to come along and watch and you are very welcome to bring a picnic to enjoy with your child/children over the lunch period between 12:00 – 1:00pm. FUBS will also be selling ice lollies over the lunch break. All children who have booked to have a hot meal provided by Chartwells will be eating in the school hall as usual, but can then join their parents if they are on site.



**10:45 – 11:45am** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

**12:00 – 1:00pm** Picnic with families (all year groups), FUBS ice creams

**1:15 – 3:15pm** Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

KS1 will return to their classrooms after lunch where normal lessons will resume, therefore **only the parents of children in KS2** will need to stay in the afternoon after the picnic.

This is always a lovely day and a pleasure to see so many families – we look forward to seeing you all at our Sports Day.

If weather is bad on the 19<sup>th</sup> June, we will try again on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July, same timings.

**Arts Week – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** This year our fantastic Arts Week, which is being organized by



Mrs Taylor, is titled 'Off to see a World of Art!'

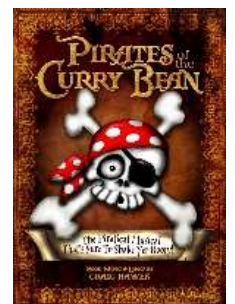
A letter with full details will be sent out in the next few days, but we want to tell you of a date that will require your participation!

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June** Creative Breakfast 8:15am join us for breakfast and do some weaving – there will be a Google form to book a place so we can cater!

**We are collecting wool, yarn and ribbon please, and also bicycle and pram wheels – these must have spokes please so they can be used for weaving! Your support is appreciated. Please hand donations in to the School Office or direct to Mrs Taylor.**

**Year 5/6 Production – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 5:30pm**

**Pirates of the Curry Bean!** Details about tickets and costumes will be sent out separately to parents of Year 5/6 children soon. Rehearsals are going well and it's looking to be a great show.



**Year 6 Leavers Events**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 6 Leavers Swim @ 1:00pm

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 6 Leavers Party @ 4:00pm (until 5:30pm)

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 10:00am





**Welcome Meetings – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July** On **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July** we will be holding our **Welcome meetings for Y1/2, Y3/4, and Y5/6**. These will give you an opportunity to see the work that the children have done over the year. You will also be able to have an informal chat with their current class teacher, as well as attending a presentation by the

year group team your child is moving on to, and taking away some information. This will enable you to find out about the topics, changes and expectations for their new year group, as well as meeting all the teaching teams and asking any questions you may have.

UBPS WELCOME MEETINGS EVENING	
YEAR GROUPS	TIMES
<b>Key Stage 1</b> <b>Year 1/2 classes</b>	<b>3:30pm – 6:00pm:</b> Classes open to view children’s work and informally chat to class teachers (current and new) <b>3:45pm – 4:15pm: Presentation in MAIN HALL</b> <b>After presentations, please feel free to go back to the class bases where you can ask any questions and view children’s work</b>
<b>Lower Key Stage 2</b> <b>Year 3/4 classes</b>	<b>3:30pm – 6:00pm:</b> Classes open to view children’s work and informally chat to class teachers (current and new) <b>4:20pm – 4:50pm: Presentation in MAIN HALL</b> <b>After presentations, please feel free to go back to the class bases where you can ask any questions and view children’s work</b>
<b>Upper Key Stage 2</b> <b>Year 5/6 classes</b>	<b>3:30pm – 6:00pm:</b> Classes open to view children’s work and informally chat to class teachers (current and new) and ask any questions <b>5:00pm – 5:30pm: Presentation in MAIN HALL and Questions</b> <b>6:00pm</b> End of evening

**KS2 Summer Disco – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** Virtual tickets will soon be on sale for the annual KS2 Summer Disco – children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 only. We can only accept payment for tickets via your child’s online sQuid account. This follows straight on from the Year 6 Leavers party, but your Year 6 child will need to purchase a ticket if they wish to attend the disco. If your Year 6 child wishes to go straight home after the Leavers party, please let the office know so we know if they will be collected from school or allowed to walk home at 5:30pm. Please note, to keep costs down, actual tickets will not be issued - there will be a list of children on the door.



## FUBS News



**Thank You** FUBS thank you all again for your ongoing support, helping them to raise much needed extra funding for the school.

FUBS are always looking for new faces to join them, so if you would like to get involved, would like more information, or have some fundraising ideas to share, please message them on [FUBScontact@gmail.com](mailto:FUBScontact@gmail.com)

**UBPS School Lottery** Don’t forget to get your school lottery tickets!

Tickets for the lottery cost £1 per week. There is a guaranteed cash winner for our school every week, and the chance to win a £25,000 jackpot.

The draw takes place every Saturday, and winners are notified via email.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/upper-beeding-primary-school>





**FUBS Summer Fete - Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** FUBS are very busy planning this fantastic annual summer event which takes place later this month.

Your help would be much appreciated, even just an hour of your time would make all the difference. Volunteer helper links are listed below:

- Friday 21<sup>st</sup>** <https://volunteersignup.org/KXXQT>
- Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>** <https://volunteersignup.org/LJDKL>
- Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>** <https://volunteersignup.org/8PX7J>

FUBS would also be very grateful for **DONATIONS** towards the fete – they have put suggestions against the year groups, but anything you could donate would be much appreciated, whatever year your child is in. Please hand in to the office.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June** – non uniform day in exchange for the following:

- Reception** bottles (full) of any description
- Years 1 and 2** small lucky dip toys and soft toys
- Years 3 and 4** small lucky dip toys and soft toys
- Years 5 and 6** bottles (full) of any description

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – non uniform day in exchange for the following:

- Reception** cakes and cookies
- Years 1 and 2** cakes and cookies
- Years 3 and 4** small lucky dip toys and soft toys
- Years 5 and 6** bottles (full) of any description

Thank you for your continued support – without your help events such as our fabulous community Summer Fete could not go ahead. FUBS can also be contacted directly on [FUBScontact@gmail.com](mailto:FUBScontact@gmail.com) if you require further information.

**Easyfundraising** Friends of Upper Beeding School are 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>



## Governing Body News



**Would you like to be a School Governor?** Upper Beeding Primary School currently has a vacancy for a Governor. This is an exciting opportunity to join our Governing Body and be part of a dynamic team helping to shape and facilitate the strategic future of our school.

If you are interested in becoming a Governor of this school, please contact the Clerk via email on [louise.brown@upperbeedingprimary.co.uk](mailto:louise.brown@upperbeedingprimary.co.uk) for further information. Applications will be accepted from community, parents, and grandparents. Please pass on this message to anyone you think you would like to join our team – we look forward to hearing from you!

**Message from PJ Chubb, Parent Governor** "I first wanted to be a Governor when my son started at the school - I felt that it would be nice to be involved in the place where he was going to spend the next stage of his education. I had no previous experience of being a Governor, but found that many of my work and life skills transferred easily into the role. Training is on-going and every Governor has a buddy to start off with to ask questions



and help go through documents. I was assigned to a committee, of which I am now the Chair and have been joint Vice-Chair of the Governors for nearly 2 years now. I am also the EYFS Governor Lead. The team is very friendly and welcoming and there is always guidance and help available. For each meeting there is some preparation to do (mostly reading which is shared out) and various Governors do regular visits to the school to familiarise themselves with the curriculum, the school itself and to meet the staff and pupils (my favourite part!). It's important to ask questions and in return it's satisfying to know that your questions are having an impact on the strategic running of the school. One of my main concerns when I started was fitting the new role around my schedule with work and family. Your workplace is obliged to give you time to attend meetings and while Full Governing Body meetings are happening, Governors' children have use of the Hive after school club if required. It is a really positive experience for me and has given me experience which benefits my working life as well. My son is also very proud of me being a Governor of his school and (secretly) likes to see me on visits!"

## Eco and Recycling News



**Thank You** Thank you so much for the amount of recycling you are sending in – the children love putting it in their special class bin in the hope that they will collect the most each term and win the prize! It is also good to know that these items are being kept from landfill, and you are raising money for the school. This scheme is continuing with new collectibles. Please only send in items that are on the list as we are unable to recycle other things for cash (**see end of this newsletter for list**). Thank you for your continued support.

Congratulations to **JAPAN Class** (again) who are the recycling champions for the Spring term – they have won £25 to spend in their classroom. Well done Japan! Who is going to be the winner this term?

**Clothing and Textile Recycling** The clothing bank has already had lots of use since it appeared on site here at our school. You will no longer have to save up your unwanted items for our six monthly collections, you can put it into our clothing bank daily at drop off and pick up, and even when the school is closed. Please think of this green bin when having a Spring Clean in the wardrobes! And not only are we saving all these things from landfill, and fulfilling a need for second-hand clothing and textiles, we get paid by the kilo – win, win!



**Acceptable items:** all clothing; all shoes; bed linen; towels; accessories such as belts, hats, gloves, scarves, handbags; soft toys.

**Not acceptable:** duvets; cushions; off cuts; used underwear and socks; carpet; rugs; curtains.



## Dates for Summer Term 2024

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Jun  
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 Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Jun  
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 Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Jun  
 Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Jun  
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**FUBS Donation Day for Summer Fete**  
**France and Japan Swimming**  
**TOPIC Year 5/6 Wow Day**  
**2:45 Australia Class Assembly**  
**FUBS Father's Day Gift Sale**  
**TOPIC KS1 Trip to Pulborough Brooks**  
**France and Japan Swimming**



**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Jun**  
**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Jun**  
**Thu 20<sup>th</sup> Jun**  
**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Jun**  
**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Jun**  
**Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Jun**  
**Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Jun**  
**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Jul**  
**Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Jul**  
**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul**  
**Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
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**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Jul**  
**Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Jul**

**Sports Day**  
**2:45 Japan Class Assembly**  
**TOPIC KS1 Woodies Day**  
**FUBS Donation Day for Summer Fete**  
**FUBS Summer Fete**  
**Arts Week**  
**2:45 Brazil Class Assembly**  
**5:30 Year 5/6 Production for Parents**  
**5:30 Year 5/6 Production for Parents**  
**West Sussex Year 6 Transition Day**  
**Fall Back Sports Day**  
**INSET Day 5 – School Closed**  
**TOPIC Year 3/4 Dome Cinema Trip**  
**TOPIC Reception Trip to Washbrooks Farm**  
**1:00 Year 6 Leavers Swim**  
**Upper Beeding Transition Morning**  
**Annual Reports to Parents**  
**Welcome Meetings**  
**4:00 – 5:30 Year 6 Leavers Party**  
**5:30 – 7:00 KS2 Disco**  
**TOPIC KS1 Ugly Bug Ball**  
**10:00 Year 6 Leavers Assembly**  
**Last Day of Summer Term – normal finish time**

## Academic Year 2024 to 2025

<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November <b>Ends:</b> Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December <b>Bank Holidays:</b> None <b>INSET Days:</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September, Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
<b>Christmas Break</b>	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February <b>Ends:</b> Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April <b>INSET Day:</b> None
<b>Easter Break</b>	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	<b>Starts:</b> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April <b>Half Term:</b> Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May <b>Ends:</b> Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July <b>Bank Holidays:</b> Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May <b>INSET Days:</b> Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June, Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July, Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July



## What we can recycle for cash - please help us by collecting the following:

### **Bread Product Packaging – any brand**

**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 bread bags; combined paper and film window bags; wax wrap

### **Cheese Product Packaging – any brand**

**YES** Any brand of flexible plastic cheese packaging, nets and pouches; any brand of sliced cheese protective film; any brand of individual plastic cheese wrappers; labels from Cathedral City Minis packs of six; any brand of plastic nets for mini cheeses.

**NO** Plastic cheese tubs and trays; non-flexible plastic cheese packaging ie cardboard, aluminium or paper packaging; cheese slice dividers/wrappers; squeeze cheese tubes; labels from mini cheese nets apart from Cathedral City.

### **Beauty and Personal Care Products – any brand**

**YES** Flexible plastic and metallic plastic tubes used for body creams, ointments or moisturisers; eye shadow compacts; flexible plastic packaging used for facial cleansing wipes; mascara tubes and wands; lipsticks, lip glosses and lip balms; cheek highlighter and bronzer sticks.

**NO** Glass; rigid plastic bottles, pots and tubs used for personal care; flexible plastic tubes such as hair care, shower gel, food and glue tubes; flexible plastic wipes packaging such as baby wipes and cleaning wipes; deodorant, body spray or perfume bottles; cardboard packaging.

### **Pringles Tubes – Pringles brand only**

**YES** Pringles brand tubes only.

**NO** Other brand of tubes; plastic lids; crisp packets.

### **Coffee and Tea Product Packaging – any brand**

**YES** Any brand of coffee bean pouches; any brand of individual coffee bag sachets; any brand of ground coffee pouches; any brand of large plastic bags for tea.

**NO** Individual coffee bags; coffee capsules; ground coffee; cardboard packaging.

### **Marigold Gloves - Marigold brand only**

**YES** Marigold brand durable gloves; Marigold brand disposable gloves; Marigold brand gloves plastic packaging.

**NO** Other brand of gloves.

### **Home Hygiene Product Packaging – any brand**

**YES** Any brand flexible cleaning product refill packaging; flexible home cleaning wipe packaging; dishwasher cleaner outer packaging; flexible plastic dishwasher salt bags; flexible plastic dishwashing tablet bags; outer plastic sleeve from hard plastic dishwashing tablets; flexible stain remover powder packaging; fragrance twin packs plastic sleeves.

**NO** Laundry detergent packaging; toilet freshener packaging; aerosols; plastic bottles and tubs; fragrance candles, plug-ins, reeds, and auto-sprays; soda crystals packaging; washing machine and oven cleaner packaging; cardboard.

### **Printer Cartridges**

**YES** Any brand ink cartridges for personal computers.

**NO** Toner cartridges; large commercial ink cartridges.

### **Food Storage Containers and Reusable Bottles**

**YES** All brands of (rigid) plastic food containers and lids (includes plastic takeaway boxes!); all brands of reusable plastic water bottles and lids.

**NO** Glass containers and lids; Glass bottles and caps; flexible plastic containers and bottles.

### **Biscuit, Cracker and Cake Product Packaging – any brand**

**YES** All brands of non-savoury biscuit flexible plastic wrappers; all brands of cracker flexible plastic wrappers; all brands of cake flexible plastic wrappers.

**NO** Foil wrappers; cardboard packets.

Please share the above with your family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues – posters can be supplied if they would be useful, just ask Lou in the office! A hard copy of the above list is always available in the letter rack by the office, or can be emailed to you.

