



Upper Beeding Primary School

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Tuesday 20th July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

We have reached the end of a challenging yet amazing year. I would like to start by thanking all of you for your ongoing support of the school and all we have done to keep everyone safe, happy and still enjoying learning. The children and staff have been fantastic throughout this year, both in school and at home, and I hope you really enjoy looking at the super topic books coming home, seeing how much the children have accomplished over the year and the progress they have made. We are so proud of each and every one of your children.

This last couple of weeks have certainly been eventful, but in true Beeding style, children, staff and parents have risen to the occasion enabling us to still have a Y5/6 production and Y6 Leavers Assembly and party. I would like to say a special thank you in particular to the Y5/6 staff for ensuring that all this could go ahead and to all the Y5/6 children who stepped in to production roles at the last minute and kept practising at home to give an outstanding performance Monday night. Thank you also to Phil Appleyard for all that you did to facilitate the "show going on" and your time and sound equipment.

On Monday all the children met their new teacher and class outside and had a lovely time. All the year group staff have been busy ensuring that everyone knows where they are going next year and who they are with as well as finishing their topic books.

Tomorrow is our last day and we have a day of celebrations with the children to recognise all they have achieved this year despite everything that has been thrown at them.

We have been thinking hard about next year, our systems and protocols and we want to ensure all our children are happy, safe and can enjoy their time in school. Below is a brief outline of what we are hoping to be able to have in place for 6th September when your children start back at school.

What time will school start and finish?

- **All children** should arrive between **8:45am and 8:55am**; registration closes at 9:00 and if they arrive after this time, they will be marked as late.
- Reception children and KS1 will finish at **3:10pm**
- KS2 children will finish at **3:15pm**

Where is my child dropped off in the morning and picked up in the afternoon?

Year Group	Drop off time	Pick up time	Drop off for pupils and parents
Y5/6	8:45 – 8:55am	3:15pm	Year 6 side gate in Church Lane by the Old Building. All classes: Morocco, USA, Iceland and Italy enter and exit school from this gate.
Y3/4	8:45 – 8:55am	3:15pm	Main School Front Gates Side gate by Kenya Class: Mexico Side gate by Reception Class: France and India



Y1/2	8:45 – 8:55am	3:10pm	Main School Front Gates Side gates by Kenya Class: Australia, Greece, Kenya
EYFS	8:45 – 8:55	3:10pm	Main School Front Gates Side gates by Reception Class: China Blue and Red

We are continuing with the same drop off system we have had this year as it has worked really well for the children settling into class really quickly. Mr Hughes, Mrs Quigley and myself will be at the gates at the main school and a member of Y5/6 will be at Church Lane gate.

Pick Up Arrangements:

At the end of the day the school gates will be open for KS1 and KS2 parents to meet their children on the playground or by the back exit door of the classroom.

- **Y1/2 and Y3/4 children will all exit out of their classroom exit doors and leave via the side gate by Kenya class.**
- We are encouraging **Year 5/6** children to walk to and from school by themselves to reduce the number of people around the school premises and they will all exit via Church Lane gate.
- **Reception** staff will bring the children to the Reception gate and hand over to waiting parents.
- **All parents and children will need to have left school grounds by 3:30 so we can lock the side gates and we would respectfully ask that you do not let younger siblings run around the adventure trail or use any school equipment.**

The school car-park will still be out of use to all parents unless there are significant exceptional circumstances agreed with school both at drop off and pick up times.

How do I get a message to or speak to my child's class teacher?

Please email or call the school office, alternatively email the class teachers directly. Their emails will be on the school website in the Staff List section from the beginning of September. There will also be an opportunity at the end of the day for a quick chat or to pass on a message outside of the classroom.

What Should My Child Bring To School?

Children in KS1 and Reception **will NOT need** to bring their own resources for learning – we will provide these for them.

Children in KS2 **will need to bring** their own resources for learning (please contact us if any item is an issue and we of course will help.)

- Their own **standard size pencil case/sandwich bag** containing a sharpened pencil, pencil sharpener, pen (KS2), colouring pencils, ruler and glue stick. (Please do not send Smiggle, oversized or furry pencil cases or felt tips into school).
- **Named water bottle.**
- **Named sun hat, sun cream and hand cream** (if needed). *Sun cream should be applied before they arrive at school but it may need topping up during the day. We would be grateful if parents could help younger children to practise applying sun cream as we will unfortunately be unable to help them with this.*
- **Named Lunchbox** – if having packed lunch.
- **Healthy fruit snack** for break time.
- **Named PE kits**, including trainers/plimsolls.

If children in Year 5/6 have to bring a mobile phone to school with them, it will be their responsibility to hand to class teachers at the beginning of each day and collect again at the end of the day. All mobile phones must be turned off and they will be locked away for the day. If children do not follow this expectation, we will ask them not to bring their phones to school.

Obviously we hope that there will be no further guidance for schools over the summer holiday and I will email you just before we come back confirming all the details on returning to school.



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!

Join the FUBS Team FUBS are looking for a secretary to join the team! Responsibilities would include things like taking Minutes at FUBS meetings, monitoring the FUBS email account, and dealing with correspondence. If you would like further information about this voluntary role, please email fubsoffice@gmail.com and someone will contact you for a chat. They look forward to hearing from you.

Finally we would like to say a massive thank you to Mr Ed Watson who successfully completed his bike challenge to raise money for UBPS!

Have a wonderful summer break and I hope that you all stay safe and well. We look forward to seeing you back on Monday 6th September!

Best wishes

Becky Linford
Head Teacher

Academic Year 2020 to 2021

Term	Dates
Summer Term 2021	Starts: Monday 19 th April Half Term: Tuesday 1 st June to Friday 4 th June Ends: Wednesday 21 st July Bank Holidays: Monday 3 rd May and Monday 31 st May INSET Days: Friday 9 th July, Thursday 22 nd July, Friday 23 rd July

Academic Year 2021 to 2022

Term	Dates
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: To be confirmed
Easter Break	Monday 11 th April to Friday 22 nd April



Summer Term 2022

Starts: Monday 25th April

Half Term: Monday 30th May Wednesday 1st June

Ends: Friday 22nd July

Bank Holidays: Monday 2nd May, Thursday 2nd June, and Friday 3rd June

INSET Days: Friday 8th July, Thursday 21st July, Friday 22nd July

