

**Newsletter 9 Term 2**  
**10th November 2023**



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## Diwali Celebrations

Today the whole school has enjoyed celebrating Diwali.

The children have enjoyed learning about how Diwali is celebrated, including learning about the story of Rama and Sita, making lamps, creating henna hands design, rangoli designs and making traditional sweets.



## Dates

### November

- 13th** Odd Socks Day
- 13th** Flu Vaccinations
- 14th** Reception 2024/5 Tour 6pm
- 15th** School Disco  
4.45pm-5.45pm Reception/ KS1  
6pm-7pm KS2
- 17th** Children in Need
- 29th** Reception 2024/5 Tour 6pm

### December

- 1st** 9am EYFS Stay and Play
- 1st** Tombola Mufti Day
- 5th** Nativity 1.45pm and 5.30pm
- 6th** Nativity 5.30pm
- 7th** Reception 2024/5 Tour 9am
- 8th** Year 5 Space Centre Trip
- 12th** Y4 Rainforest Workshop
- 13th** School Christmas Lunch
- 14th** Christmas Fayre
- 20th** End of term

## Remembrance

Today we held our Remembrance Service outside in the courtyard. Some of our Year 6 pupils read poems, the children were brilliant in showing their respect and observing some moments of silence and the whole school sang a Remembrance song.



## Year 5 Space Centre Trip— 8th December

**Payment now due.**

**Please make  
payment via  
Parentpay**



## **\*\*Reminder\*\***

Don't forget to wear odd socks on Monday 13th November. This will kick off our Anti bullying week activities and is a chance to celebrate what makes us all unique. This years theme is "Make a noise about bullying"



## Super Stars

**Well done to all the children who have worked so hard this week and demonstrated lots of our school values!**

**RJF:** Gracie-Mae for her amazing CVC blending.

**1AH:** Harold for a great attitude on the school trip.

**2MF:** Andrei for trying his absolute best with his learning and behaviour. He is always ready to learn—we are really proud!

**3EB:** Zion for always trying his best in his learning, especially in English when learning our text map. Well done Zion, keep up the good work!

**4NC:** Darcy for always being ready to learn, showing excellent listening and being respectful.

**5AK:** Willow for contributing amazingly in maths and showing our ready to learn focus this week.

**6LW:** Haadi for excellent writing and being brave!

**RKC:** Adrian for trying his best during carpet time.

**1KB:** Eduard for showing our school values on our trip.

**2FJ:** Ayra for being a super role model, sharing brilliant ideas and being a kind friend. Well done!

**3IH:** Aiden K for consistently showing me he is ready to learn all the time with no reminders needed.

**4SL:** Chashe for embracing your new learning opportunities and showing perseverance when attempting something new.

**5GD:** Amy-Leigh for being a leader and leading by example in the demonstration of school expectations.

**6GH:** Oliwia for being a fantastic mathematician.

## Rainbow Star of the Week



Our Rainbow star of the week is

Harvey in 5GD for trying his best to focus and use 'magnet eyes' for learning.

## Newsletter feedback

Please provide us with some feedback about our newsletter by scanning the QR code or using the link below by Monday 20th November:-

<https://forms.office.com/e/Bm7gk0tVjQ>

Newsletter feedback



## Foundation Stage

Foundation stage have had a great start to the Upton Meadows journey. They have grown in confidence and independence in such a short time. We have learnt our set 1 sounds and are working extremely hard to blend. We are developing our fine motor skills and now are learning rhymes to help us form our letters.

We have been exploring autumn by reading stories and using our senses to enhance our learning. We read the story 'Leaf Man' and decided to create our own representations. We went to Forest School in the search leaves.

Every Tuesday, we either go to Forest School with Miss Allen or have a music session with Mrs Sear. During Forest School we have been learning rules, routines and boundaries. We have been playing games to support safety (123 Where are you?) and been bug hunting.








## Children in Need 2023

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will be supporting BBC Children in Need. This charity provides support to charities and project workers right across the UK who are striving to help children and young people to be the best they can be. Below are the details of how we are supporting the charity this year.



<p>Day</p> <p>1. Anything Goes Mufti</p> 	<p>On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, wear something to express yourself, from PJs, your favourite outfit to fancy dress. Anything really does go! In return, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1.00.</p>
<p>Challenge</p> <p>2. Pudsey Bearpees</p> 	<p>Joe Wick is leading a challenge to fundraise at the same time as keeping fit. On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, each class will compete in the Bearpees challenge. We aim to complete over 1000 Bearpees as a school. Help us to reach our target and provide a small monetary sponsorship towards this.</p>
<p>3. In Class Task</p> 	<p>Each class will complete a PSHE task to celebrate the power of positive relationships, and the impact of these relationships in helping to support children throughout the school years.</p>

Please give money to class teachers on the morning of Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November or via Parentpay

Parents can make their Children in Need donations via ParentPay using this link if they'd prefer. <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=13123>

We will inform you of our success and how much we raise on the School Newsletter.  
Thank you in advance for your support.  
The School Council

## PE News

This week some of our Y4, Y5 and Y6 pupils took part in a Cross Country Competition at Abington Park.



Our Y4 children ran 1500m, Y5 ran 2000m and Y6 ran 3000m. All our runners were excellent and gave it there all.

Two of our children in Y5 did well enough to qualify for the county finals in January.

A quote from one of our children while running past me 'Mr Muggleton I've not stopped running yet, I can do this!' Well done everyone!



## Attendance

	<b>1st</b>	
<b>2nd</b>	<b>6LW</b>	<b>3rd</b>
<b>6GH</b>		<b>3EB</b>