

Newsletter 20 Term 3
16th February 2024



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FUMPS

The Friends Of Upton Meadows have been working really hard to raise money to support the amazing work we do as a school. Recently we have contributed to new ipads, books for the library and sprucing up the reading shed. Resources are being purchased for Upton Meadows Eco Team and for Forest School. After having a chat with Miss Hunt, maths resources are next.

We do this by running lots of fund-raising activities, three disco's a year, the Christmas Fayre, a Easter Egg Hunt and 'The Great Upton Bake Off' to name but a few. We are a small but dedicated group who are always looking for new ideas and volunteers. If this is something that you feel you would like to be part of please drop into the office and leave your name and a member of FUMPS will be in touch.

Mrs Kenyon-Bell



Dates

February

16th End of Term

26th Training Day

27th Children return to school

March

w/c 4th March Y5 Bikeability

5th EYFS Stay & Play 9am

5th & 6th Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm

7th World Book Day & Book Fair/ Book Swap

18th RSC Performance

20th-22nd Y4 Residential

26th School Disco

28th FUMPS Easter Egg Hunt

28th End of Term

PE News

Last week our Year 3 and 4 Athletics team competed in a sports hall athletics tournament and came second!

This morning some of our Year 2 girls took place in a football tournament. The team played brilliantly and finished 3rd, narrowly missing out in the semi-finals on penalties. Halle was awarded the start of the tournament!



Healthy Snacks and Lunches

Please ensure that your children's lunchboxes contain a balance of healthy foods.

Children should only bring in a healthy snack such as fruit or a cereal bar.

Please remember that children should **only have water in their water bottles (not juice)**.

Please also remember we are a nut free school, please do not send snacks/lunch

items into school containing nuts as we have several pupils who have serious nut allergies.



Year 5 News

This term in Year 5, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Merchant of Venice.

We have explored characters in depth, plus themes of antisemitism, hatred and fairness.

We have written balanced arguments based on our learning.

Should Shylock be punished for wanting a pound of flesh?

Yes, that's correct – he wants a pound of Antonio's flesh!



We had the pleasure of hosting our Year 5 Showcase this week. Thank you to everyone who attended. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their learning with you.



In Science, we have been learning about Solids, Liquids and Gases.

Fractions, fractions and more fractions has been our focus in Maths.

As well as this, we have had the privilege to be part of an ongoing Shakespeare Project which has included 28 of the Year 5 children. They have been practising a drama, song writing and completing a dance which will be performed on stage to an audience at the Royal Theatre! Watch this space!

Super Stars

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

RJF: Charlie for his amazing efforts in everything he does and never giving up.

RKC: Lyla for always trying her best and being kind and caring to her peers.

1AH: Maria for her great effort in English this week.

1KB: Plotar for excellent effort in all his learning, especially maths.

2MF: Andrei for being engaged and motivated in all his learning.

2FJ: Asher for working exceptionally hard during maths lessons and working well with his table partner.

3EB: Max for having a really positive attitude towards his learning this week and working hard in all areas of the curriculum. Well done Max!

3IH: Mary for having a great start at Upton Meadows and giving everything a go with a smile on her face! We are so happy to having you as part of the 3IH team!

4LJ: Rinnah for always doing the right thing and helping her talk partner.

4SL: Isla for always following school values and being an amazing role model to her peers.

5AK: Albie for showing tremendous improvement in his attitude to learning this week. Keep it up!

5GD: Caiden for demonstrating a fantastic manner all term!

6LW: Elzira for fantastic focus and hard work all week.

6GH: Isabelle for working extremely hard in all lessons—especially maths.

Termly awards

A huge well done to the children who have won the termly awards for this term!

Magdalena in RKC

Ariana in 1AH

Shoniah in 3IH

Hermione in 5GD



Bronze Awards

Well done to the following children who have been awarded their bronze badges this week.

Hunter, Jakub & Iona in RJF

Joshua in 1AH

Maliah & Henor in 1KB

Liam in 2MF

Hanad, Mohammed &

La'Rayah in 2FJ

Willow in 3EB

Amelia G, Charlie, Mina & Khushman in 3IH

Dominiks &

Miriam in 5AK

Kayson, Lena, Marcus, Milo, Raph, Taym, Hartley & Poppy-Mae in 6LW

Halil in 6GH



Lockdown Drill

Today we practiced our lockdown drill, to acclimatise the children and staff with the procedure to follow in the case of a potential emergency.

Lockdown drills are practised annually in all schools and are not something the children or parents should worry about.

In the event of an actual lockdown incident parents would be notified.



Attendance

