



MAY NEWSLETTER

Dear families,

As we come to the end of a short but busy half term, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. It has been lovely to see so many of you attending our events, workshops and parent meetings. I hope you have enjoyed hearing about all the things your children have been learning in school.

Important dates

School will be closed from Monday 26th to Friday 30th May for the half term holiday.

Main school will also be closed on Monday 2nd June for staff training and reopens on Tuesday 3rd June.

The Lodge will be open on Monday 2nd June.

These are some of the things we have done in the first half of the Summer term:

- ❖ Inspire workshops—making maths games
- ❖ Make Music workshops
- ❖ Year 5 visited Bristnall Hall Academy for their Dance Extravaganza
- ❖ Year 5 visited the Black Country Living Museum
- ❖ Year 3 & 4 learned about road safety
- ❖ Our Eco-Committee have been busy each week helping to keep our school site tidy and free of rubbish
- ❖ Reception visited Bearwood allotments
- ❖ Year 6 took the SATs tests
- ❖ Induction meetings for parents and children starting Reception in September



We have now had half a term of finishing lessons at 3.20pm. We hope it is working well for you.

Thank you to the majority of parents and carers for collecting children on time.

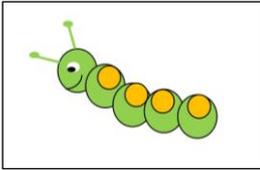
Free school uniform

Our preloved uniform is available to all Uplands families. The clothing rail is in main Reception. Please come in, have a look and take what you need. You don't need to ask our Receptionists.

If you have any school uniform, school shoes, PE kits, coats that you would like to donate, please send them into school. Thank you very much to everyone who has already donated items.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

We try to share information about as many local organisations as possible on the Community Information page of our school website. You can find it on the Parents tab at the top of the home page or by clicking <https://bit.ly/3Re3Q9T>



Spotlight on The Lodge

The fantastic staff and children in The Lodge have been working on a topic called 'Bugs and Beasts' and have been learning about different minibeasts.

They have enjoyed listening to 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Superworm' and doing lots of literacy activities based on the stories.

The children have also been working on developing their independence and taking part in cooking activities. There have been plenty of opportunities for outdoor learning and everyone in the Lodge accesses the Trim Trail and Forest School each week for outdoor learning, alongside outdoor PE sessions.

The children continue to enjoy their weekly music sessions with Mr Williams too. In Maths, the children have been working on developing their understanding of number, addition and subtraction, as well as learning about positional language.

Year 5 visit to The Black Country Living Museum



Year 5 recently visited the Black Country Living Museum. Throughout the day, they experienced the shops, jobs and homes of a Victorian child.

They experienced old-fashioned schooling and saw some of the industries available to people in this time. The children were curious historians throughout, showing interest and asking incredible, thoughtful questions. They were even lucky with the weather, enjoying a sunny lunch outside!

Make Music Workshops

Children and their families have been enjoying attending our Make Music workshops.

They have been joining in with African drumming, Ukuleles and digital music making.



GREAT WORK AND WELL DONE YEAR 6!

We are so proud of our Year 6 children, who have been working extremely hard in preparation for SATs tests.

We look forward to celebrating their time at Uplands with them in July as they prepare to move on to secondary school.

A NEW ADVENTURE FOR CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER

It is lovely to be able to welcome lots of new families to our school for induction days for Nursery and Reception. We still have places available. If you are looking for a place for a 3 or 4 year old child and would like to look around our school, please ring the school office on 0121 558 1602 to make an appointment.

UPLANDS MANOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUMMER FAYRE

Friday 27th June 2025
3.30pm

- Food & drinks •
- Games & stalls •
- Tombola •
- Raffle •

FREE ENTRY

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

Dates for your diary Summer 2

June

Monday 2nd	Main school closed for staff training The Lodge open
Tuesday 3rd	School reopens for all pupils
Tuesday 10th	Reception visit to Forge Mill Farm 2.30 – 4.30pm Sandwell Family Hub van visiting school
Wednesday 11th	Year 2 visit to Botanical Gardens
Thursday 12th	Year 6 VR experience in school
Friday 13th	Class photographs
Monday 16th	Reception Hands and Teeth talk by the School Nurses Year 2 Pants talk by the School Nurses Year 5 Puberty talk by the School Nurses
Tuesday 17th	Year 3 & 4 Healthy Eating talk by the School Nurses Year 6 Emotional Health talk by the School Nurses
Wednesday 18th	9am RO class assembly Y3 visit to Frank Chapman Centre
Friday 20th	Year 1 visit to Dudley Zoo
Monday 23rd	9am Year 6 Sports day 2pm Year 5 Sports day
Tuesday 24th	9am Year 4 Sports day 9am Nursery induction for children starting in September 2pm Year 3 Sports day 4pm Nursery induction for children starting in September
Wednesday 25th	9am Year 1 Sports day 2pm Year 2 Sports day Year 6 trip to Hollywood Bowling (6M & 6B)
Thursday 26th	Junior PCSO's visit to the Police Museum 9am Reception Sports day 9am 5H Make Music Workshop Year 6 trip to Hollywood Bowling (6A & 6T)
Friday 27th	3.30pm Summer Fayre

July

Tuesday 1st	Nursery sports day
Wednesday 2nd	9am RJC class assembly 9am 4E Make Music Workshop
Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd	Year 6 transition days at secondary schools (day 1) <i>(Check with your child's new school for the correct dates in case any are different)</i>
Thursday 3rd	Children spend the morning with their new class teachers
Monday 7th	9am New Nursery stay & play (children starting Nursery in September)
Tuesday 8th	9am New Reception stay & play (children starting Reception in September) 1H visit to Bearwood Allotments 2.30 – 4.30pm Sandwell Family Hub van visit school
Wednesday 9th	9am 4B Make Music Workshop 1W visit to Bearwood Allotments
Thursday 10th	9am 5S Make Music Workshop 1C visit to Bearwood Allotments 2.15pm 3G Make Music Workshop
Monday 14th	9am Meet the Teacher meeting (current Y3 parents meet new Y4 teachers) 2pm Meet the Teacher meeting (current Y5 parents meet new Y6 teachers)
Tuesday 15th	9am Year 2, 3 & 4 ABC Awards Assembly (<i>invitations will be sent to parents of children receiving and award</i>) 9am Meet the Teacher meeting (current Reception parents meet new Y1 teachers) 2pm Meet the Teacher meeting (current Y1 parents meet new Y2 teachers)
Wednesday 16th	9am Reception & Year 1 ABC Awards Assembly (<i>invitations will be sent to parents of children receiving and award</i>) 6 – 7.30pm Year 6 disco
Thursday 17th	9am Meet the Teacher meeting (current Y4 parents meet new Y5 teachers) 2pm Meet the Teacher meeting (current Y2 parents meet new Y3 teachers)
Friday 18th	9am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly Last day of term

2025-2026 DATES

AUTUMN 2025		
Monday 1st September 2025	Training day	School closed
Tuesday 2nd September 2025	Training day	School closed
Wednesday 3 rd September 2025		School open
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 2025	Half term holiday	School closed
Monday 3rd November 2025	Training Day	School closed
Tuesday 4 th November 2025		School open
Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026	Christmas holiday	School closed
SPRING 2026		
Monday 5 th January 2026		School open
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February 2026	Half term holiday	School closed
Monday 23 rd February 2026		School open
Friday 20th March 2026	Training day	School closed
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April 2026	Easter holiday	School closed
SUMMER 2026		
Monday 13 th April 2025		School open
Monday 4th May 2026	Bank holiday	School closed
Tuesday 5 th May 2026		School open
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2026	Half term holiday	School closed
Monday 1 st June 2026		School open
Friday 17 th July 2026	Last day of term	School open
Monday 20th July 2026	Training day	School closed
Tuesday 21st July 2026	Summer holiday	School closed

School will be closed for staff training on:

- **Monday 1st September 2025**
- **Tuesday 2nd September 2025**
- **Monday 3rd November 2025**
- **Friday 20th March 2026**
- **Monday 20th July 2026**