

Weekly Updates From Uplands



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

The children have been busy practising for their Christmas performances – we hope you will enjoy them. We will be celebrating Christmas with the whole school Christmas lunch/Christmas Jumper Day next Wednesday.



KS2 CHRISTMAS CONCERT



We are pleased to inform you that the KS2 Christmas Concert will be performed in All Saints Church on Tuesday 16th December.

We will be doing two performances: 2pm and 6pm.

For the evening performance, please bring your child to the church at 5.45pm so that we can get ready for the performance. Those coming to watch the performance will be admitted at 5.55pm.

Children can wear Christmas outfits for the day - sparkles, tinsel, Christmas jumpers.

There is no need to purchase tickets for the event. We will have collection on the evening and the proceeds will go to Uplands School and towards the heating in the church.



Thank you!



School Uniform Discount Code with MyClothing

NEW discount code for parents to use when shopping with MyClothing.
It gives everyone a **10% discount** until the end of December.

Code: 10%myc2025
Expires: 31st December 2025



CHRISTMAS CARD POST BOX

Our Christmas card post box is now up and running for children to post Christmas cards to their friends. The post box is situated inside the reception porch. Please make sure that they/you write the child's name AND SURNAME on the card and the class they are in.

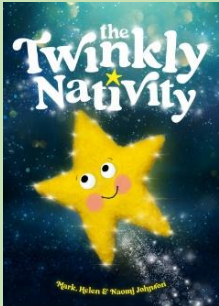
It is a great chance to send those messages of good cheer to all your friends in school.

"ELF-RIDGES"

Elf-ridges is now open. If you have purchased a gift, we will be organising for the children to choose their gifts and wrap them for their family over the next week.

Elf-ridges will be open until Friday 12th December.

All proceeds will go to purchasing books for break-time and lunchtime play.



EYFS/KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

THE TWINKLY NATIVITY

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

2.30PM & 5.30PM

Merlins and Owls are busy practising for their Christmas play 'The Twinkly Nativity' on Wednesday 10th December at 2:30pm & 5:30pm. We hope that Merlins & Owls parents have purchased their tickets.

If you are in Kestrels/Eagles and would like to purchase a ticket to watch the performance, please come to the school office with £2 cash per ticket.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Next Wednesday 10th December, the children will be enjoying a Christmas lunch when all the children sit down to eat together with Christmas crackers, kindly donated by the PTA. If you have not already ordered your child a Christmas lunch, please remember to send them to school with a packed lunch, as we are unable to order lunches on the day.



Many thanks

INFORMATION

Please can we remind everyone to visit the Blogging link under the children section on our school website to find out what your child has been learning and for important dates.

Keep up to date with what's going on at Uplands.
Subscribe to the school calendar:-

<https://www.uplandsprimarystroud.co.uk/diary/grid/2025/10/>

See events happening in your local area, check out the 'Whats On' link under the Parents Section on our website.

<https://www.uplandsprimarystroud.co.uk/whats-on/>

CONGRATULATIONS!

*The Attendance Cup
is awarded to Merlins.*

Team Points are awarded to Thompson.



COUNTY FOOTBALL FINALS COMPETITION

A big congratulations to the Key Stage 2 football team for competing in yesterday's County Final 7-a-side Football Competition. The competition was hard but the children were fantastic ambassadors for Uplands School -we are extremely proud of their effort and resilience.



SENIOR EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a Senior Early Years Practitioner working in our wonderful nursery. For further information and an application form, please visit the school website: www.uplandsprimarystroud.co.uk
Thank you.



Wednesday 10th December is Christmas Jumper Day for Uplands School, the children can wear their favourite Christmas jumper to school. Donations of £1 will go to Save the Children Charity. Thank you for your continued support!

STUDYBUGS APP

We have transferred our communication system from Teachers2Parents to Studybugs. This new, more efficient and secure app allows you to receive messages from school/nursery instantly and also allows you to report your child's absence due to illness.

If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website. If you do not have the app you will no longer receive communication through Teachers2Parents.

[Get the app or register now](https://studybugs.com/about/parents) (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)

Thank You!

HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A LOVELY WEEKEND!

SEE YOU ALL NEXT WEEK!

Yours sincerely,

Mr James Powell
Head Teacher

| DIARY DATES - 2025-2026 | |
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| Wednesday 10 th December | Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day |
| Wednesday 10 th December | EYFS/KS1 Christmas Play – 2.30pm & 5.30pm The Twinkly Nativity |
| Tuesday 16 th December | Christmas Performance at the Church – 2:00pm & 6:00pm |
| Wednesday 17 th December | Whole School Trip to the Panto – Stroud Sub Rooms (1pm) |
| Monday 22 December – Friday 2 nd January 2026 | Christmas Holidays |
| Monday 5 th January | Inset Day – School Closed |
| Tuesday 6 th January | Children return to school |

FROM THE SAME TEAM THAT BROUGHT YOU
LAST YEAR'S SMASH-HIT ROBIN HOOD



SLEEPING BEAUTY

THE PANTOMIME OF YOUR DREAMS

Friday 19th December 2025 to Sunday 4th January 2026



The Sub Rooms, George Street, Stroud GL5 1AE
Tickets from £20
01453 796880 | thesubrooms.co.uk



The tale of the beautiful Princess who is cursed by the evil Carabosse to perish on her 21st Birthday by pricking her finger on a spinning wheel. Saved by the good fairies, she falls into a deep sleep and can only be awoken by her true love.

Join us for more music, magic and mayhem as PID Productions bring their fifth annual pantomime to the Sub Rooms and deliver fantastic festive fun for the whole family!

"It's modern, current, and quite simply hilarious, so if pantos aren't your thing, I urge you to give this one a go - you'll look forward to it every year from here on out!"

The Stroud Times

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| Friday 19 December 2025 | | | 6pm | Gold Band Shows Adult from £25 Child from £23 |
| Saturday 20 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | 7pm | |
| Sunday 21 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | Silver Band Shows Adult from £20 Child From £18 |
| Monday 22 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | |
| Tuesday 23 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | Adult Only Shows £25 All Seats |
| Wednesday 24 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | |
| Friday 26 December 2025 | | | 4pm | |
| Saturday 27 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | 7pm | |
| Sunday 28 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | |
| Monday 29 December 2025 | 11am (R) | 3pm | | |
| Tuesday 30 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | |
| Wednesday 31 December 2025 | 11am | 3pm | | |
| Friday 2 January 2026 | | | 2pm | PID PRODUCTIONS |
| Saturday 3 January 2026 | | | 2pm | |
| Sunday 4 January 2026 | | | 2pm | |

(AO) Adults Only
Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd January at 8pm
Our Adult Only performances offer the chance to leave the kids at home and experience panto with no filter whatsoever! Absolutely not for the faint hearted or easily offended.

(R) Relaxed Performance
Monday 29th December at 11am
A performance specifically designed to welcome people who will benefit from a more relaxed environment, including people with an autism spectrum condition, sensory and communication disorders or learning disability.