

# Weekly Updates From Uplands



## *HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE*

Thank you all for your understanding this week during the extremely challenging weather conditions. My priority has been keeping our children and staff safe, and your support has made that possible. Let's hope for a cooler, calmer week ahead.

## CO-OPTED GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a co-opted governor. Co-opted governors do not need to have a connection with the school, but in the opinion of the governing board have the skills and experience required to contribute to the effective governance and success of the school.

If you know someone living in the community or a grandparent/friend/colleague that may be interested in this role, please contact the school office.

Thank you.

## 'WHAT'S ON'

See events happening in your local area, check out the 'What's On' link under the News & Events Section on our website.

<https://uplandsprimary.web11.juniperwebsites.co.uk/whats-on-2>

## TRANSITION MORNING

### FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY

Next Friday morning, the children will get to meet their new class teacher for next year and enjoy a fun morning together. We will also be sending home a separate letter on Monday with all the details about staffing for the next academic year.

# SUMMER SIZZLE

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 3.30pm - 5pm

The PTA are now requesting donations for the upcoming Summer Sizzle. We would greatly appreciate any of the following:



- Any unwanted gifts
- Nice unopened toiletries
- Bottles of wine, beer, spirits.
  - Sweets & chocolates
- Good quality unread books
  - Unused toys
- Homemade crafted items and presents
  - Locally grown plants
- Any other suitable donations.



- Cakes and bakes (freshly baked) (to be handed into the school office the morning of the Sizzle).

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help at the Sizzle. If anyone else would like to volunteer to help, it would be really appreciated. Please let the school office know, or speak to any member of the PTA.

Many thanks in advance, and thank you for your support!



## HOLIDAYS OR ABSENCE DURING SCHOOL TIME

It is very important that your child is in school for every session. If your child misses out on lessons, learning is lost, as work is often built on from previous lessons and children then struggle to catch up.

Every lesson counts!

If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please let us know, or leave a message on the school's answer phone as soon as possible. We do chase up any child not in school from that morning because we need to know that they are safe and being looked after.

If you need to apply for leave of absence during term-time for extraordinary circumstances then there is a form to fill in from the office or to be downloaded from the school website. Please do not take time off without letting the school know as we will spend time trying to contact you unnecessarily. The school has discretion in 'exceptional circumstance' to authorise a leave of absence if we believe it is a genuine reason.

Parents must also note that they can be given a Penalty Notice or prosecuted for periods of unauthorised holidays.

We are sending out this information due to the increase in holiday requests.

More detailed information can be found on our school website:

<https://www.uplandsprimarystroud.co.uk/attendance-absence>

Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

## SPORTS DAY WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Day will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July in the morning at Uplands playing field. Parents and carers are very welcome to come along and watch. Please ensure your child/ren comes to school in their team colours and they must bring a sun hat, sun lotion and a drink. The children will return to school for their lunch.

We hope you will be able to join us at this fun event!

There will also be a 'Sponsored Family Obstacle Course' so get practising!

### Sports Day Lunch Menu

There is a change to the lunch menu on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July for Sports Day.



Hot Dogs  
Cheese Whirl



Both served with vegetable crudité



TEAM NAME AND THE ASSOCIATED COLOUR.

RED - THOMPSON

GREEN - CAPEL

BLUE - FOLLY

YELLOW - SPRINGFIELD

## CAREERS WEEK

### MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE - FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY

Careers Week will take place next week.. Throughout the week, children will explore different jobs through fun, hands-on activities. Classrooms will become workplaces, and children will work in groups to experience a restaurant and a forensic science investigation.

On Thursday 2nd July, children are invited to dress up as a job or career of their choice.

Children will also have the chance to apply for simple jobs around the school, including a short interview, helping them build confidence and communication skills.

Finally a huge thank you to all the parents who are giving up their Monday afternoon to come in and talk to the children about their careers.

We look forward to an inspiring and enjoyable week for all.

Hope you all have a lovely  
weekend!  
See you all next week!

Yours sincerely,



Mr James Powell  
Head Teacher



## DIARY DATES - Summer Term 2026

<b>Tuesday 30th June – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>Careers Week</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Owls &amp; Merlins trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>PTA Summer Sizzle</b>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Sports Day &amp; Sponsored Family Obstacle Course 9.30am – 12.30pm</b>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Eagles Trip to Clifton Suspension Bridge 9.15am – 3pm</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Uplands Got Talent</b>
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Yr6 Celebration Trip to Stroud Bowl</b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Leavers Assembly 2.15pm</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Last Day of Term – early finish 2pm</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>