

Weekly Updates From Uplands



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Welcome back, everyone!

We hope you all had a wonderful, enjoyable and fun-filled summer break. It has been fantastic to welcome all our children back to school, and we are delighted to see them settling so quickly into their new routines.

The school has been full of smiles, laughter and excitement as the children have enjoyed catching up with their friends and getting stuck into their learning. It is so lovely to have everyone back and to see the children happy, confident and enjoying being in school.

A very special welcome to Merlins Class, who started their school journey with us this week. We are so pleased to have you join our school family and look forward to watching you grow and flourish with us.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to Miss Hall, our new teacher in Owls Class. We are delighted to have you as part of our team and hope you have a fantastic time with us.

As we begin a new term, please remember that our door is always open. If you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. We are always happy to listen and help wherever we can.

Here's to a happy, successful and exciting term ahead!

MEET THE SCHOOL

Wednesday 30th September between 6-7pm

This year we will be repeating our very successful "Meet the School". This will take place on Wednesday 30th September between 6-7pm. This event will provide parents with the opportunity to hear from the teaching staff, the Governors and the PTA members about how Uplands School operates, there will also be a chance to ask any questions. Please ensure you inform the office if you are able to attend by Monday 28th September.

We hope as many of you as possible can attend this informative evening.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES



Our Celebration Assemblies will now be held in school once a month.

If your child has been awarded a Star Award, parents will receive a message via Studybugs inviting them to attend the assembly at midday on a Friday, where they will have the opportunity to see their child receive their award.

We appreciate that this time may not always be convenient for everyone. However, due to logistical reasons, we have had to change the assembly time from our usual slot.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

EAGLES SWIMMING

Eagles swimming lessons began on
Monday 14th September.

Please can Eagles parents ensure you log onto ParentPay to settle the payment.



'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>



UPLANDS NURSERY

We currently have places available at Uplands Nursery

If you are interested in a nursery place for your child, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact the school office for further information or to discuss availability.

We look forward to welcoming new families to our nursery.

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.

MDSA VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, for further details please contact the school office.

Many thanks

**HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A LOVELY
WEEKEND!
SEE YOU ALL NEXT WEEK!**



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Powell'.

Mr James Powell
Head Teacher

Diary Dates	
Monday 14 th September	Eagles Swimming 10am – 10.30am
Friday 25 th September	Eagles Hub Sports Day at Maidenhill School
Wednesday 30 th September	Meet the School – 6-7pm
Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October	Half Term Break
Tuesday 10 th November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 11 th November	Parents Evening

