

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back!

Wow, we can't really believe what a busy week we have already had. It was great to see all the children back on Monday and ready for the half term ahead!

There are several events and activities in the coming weeks, and we look forward to welcoming you all into the Academy. Next week is Anti-bullying week and we will have a special assembly and workshops running throughout the week. On Thursday, all children will come to school in sports kit please as we have a full day of Teamwork activities to look forward to. Please do not hesitate to contact our office@upa.eastern-mat.co.uk if you have any questions, queries or concerns, or pop into see us between 8:30am and 3:30pm Monday to Friday.

Our library opens to the community **tomorrow**, 9th November between 9-10am. We hope you can pop in with your children, say hello and enjoy some of the fabulous new books we have on offer.



Parent/Carer Consultations

Thank you to our parents, carers, pupils and our Academy Committee members for joining us over our two evenings of parent consultations.

It was great to be share the progress your children have made this term so far. We will have our second parent consultations later in the year. We really value your feedback and thank you for your contribution to our parent survey. All children will complete pupil surveys in school in the coming weeks and we look forward to sharing the outcomes and how we will use your feedback to improve our Academy even further.



Thank you to our Senior Pupil Leadership Team for helping to set up and organize the hall for the evening ad to Aspens – our caterers for providing such a fantastic spread for you all to enjoy. A special thank you goes to Mrs Miller and Mrs Robertson who supported behind the lunch hatch at short notice.

Key Dates for your diary

9.11.24
Community Library
Opening

11.11.24
Remembrance
Assembly

**Individual and
Sibling Photo Day**
13.11.24

**Anti-Bullying
Week: Whole
School Teamwork
Day 14.11.24**

After School Clubs this Half Term



[Our Kids with Bricks Club](#) starts up again next week! It was very well attended, a huge amount of fun while developing strategy, resilience and confidence too. Winning entry photos will be uploaded to our albums page each week, voted by Ms Roberts, the club leader and the children in the club. [Parent and Family Voting!](#)



[Premier Sports Clubs](#) run every week at Upwell Academy. Please visit the Premier Education Website linked above to book your spot! On a Thursday we run school funded places for Netball club.

[Wrap Around Care \(WAC\)](#) is also bookable via the Premier Education Website and runs every day from 15:15 to 17:30.

After School Skills Boosters start next week, you will receive an invite via Class Dojo If you have received this invite, we highly recommend that your child attends as these sessions are planned carefully to cover essential skills and curriculum areas that will be beneficial to them.



Team Ace Gardeners runs on a Monday and Wednesday from 15:15-16:15. The club is open to Year 4 and 5 pupils and will be available to book via Pupil Asset Parent Portal early next week!



PLT NEWS: West Norfolk Sports Partnership Football Championship

Our Year 5 & 6 footballers took part in the Downham Market Cluster Football Festival on the last day of last half term.

They played a total of 6 matches and came out triumphant securing second place overall, only losing to one team.

Their sportsmanship and teamwork comradery were commendable and the feedback from the organisers was exceptional, expressing how supportive they were towards the other teams. Well done Team Upwell.



During the half term break, The Edith Blunt Trustees welcomed school and wider community members to help stake and protect the younger fruit trees in the orchard. The weather was ideal and it was a fun-filled morning! A huge thank you to Mikey from YrR, who was presented with a card and small gift in assembly for all of his hard work.

Edith Blunt Trust Event!

Thank you to everyone that supported.



Poppies for Remembrance

Our children have all contributed to the poppy display in St. Peter's Church in Upwell. I know you will agree they look amazing. Our PLT will visit following our special assembly on Monday after they have laid the Academy wreath at the Upwell memorial. Raine, our Academy committee member, encourages you as do we to pop in the church and look at your child's wonderful work.



Special Remembrance
Assembly 11.11.24



LEST WE FORGET
Remembrance Day



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Out of School Success!

Let's celebrate your achievements out of school! Upload to your portfolio and you could see them here next week.

WOW!



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NATIONAL CENTRE AGAINST BULLYING

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TEAMWORK BUILDING SKILLS DAY

THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

PREVENT BULLYING AT SCHOOL. DO YOUR PART. EVERYONE TO COME TO SCHOOL IN PE KIT

STAND UP AGAINST BULLYING

TEAM: Transform, Connect, Achieve, Motivate, Care, Enjoy

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Michael Rosen Day

12TH NOVEMBER 2024

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YEAR 2 ROMAN DAY

29TH NOVEMBER 2024

This full-day, immersive experience which sets the scene and introduces the key concepts of Roman life, children will spend the day living and working in Roman times.

Come dressed as a Roman!

Learning Highlights of the Week

Reception: Cygnet Class

We celebrated 'Diwali' at the beginning of the week by drawing our own still life image using wax crayons. We then had a wonderful day yesterday learning about Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate Bonfire night. We made and ate chocolate sparklers, firework pictures, firework playdough and danced creating our own fireworks. We have started our new topic of 'Light and Dark' this half term where we will be learning all about space!

Year 1: Waterlily Class

This week the children have practised some excellent Makaton signing to one of their singing assembly songs. They have really started to master some of the actions to go with their beautiful singing. The children have also wowed us with their learning of inequality symbols in maths! They have produced some beautiful work and have shown great enjoyment in their new learning. Next week I am excited to explore more animals in science and develop our understanding of animal classification.

Year 2: Otter Class

Well done Year 2. This week, we have complete our first set of assessment papers (Reading, GPS and Mathematics). The children have shown brilliant enthusiasm and concentration throughout. They have worked so hard and tried their best, we could not ask for more. Next week we are going to be learning about a Japanese fairy tale, I wonder which English fairy tale it will be like?

Year 3: Swan Class

This week the children have come towards the end of their narrative writing surrounding The Man on the Moon. The children have finished planning their final part of this and will be writing up their final section on Monday ready for publishing. We have also looked at Ancient Egypt and the Nile, discussing why it is so important. Well done this week Year 3!

Year 4: Dragonfly Class

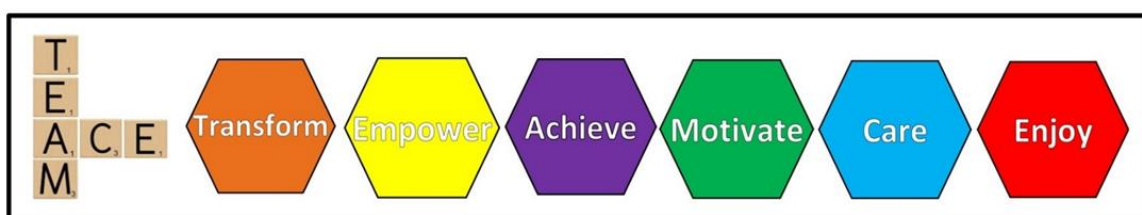
This week we have been reading and sharing poetry and developing our personal response. We have learnt that poetry comes in many different forms and can be written by a variety of different people. In History we've learnt about the War of the Roses and that they were fought between two families: The House of Lancaster (red rose), and the House of York (white rose). It was a Civil War that lasted from 1455-1485 and the children have been fascinated to know more.



Year 5: Willow Class

This week, year 5 have been hard at work getting ready for the remembrance assembly we are leading next week. We have also started a new topic in English, looking at Instructions and Explanations, and the children have been working hard to master the features of the text types. In maths, we have been looking at multiplying and dividing by multiples of 10, and I have been very impressed by the children's mathematical thinking.

Year 6: Kingfisher Class

It's been a very busy week in Year 6. In Maths we've explained how to subtract related fractions using models and looking at relationships between numbers. Our History focus is the exploration of British democracy in the past. We've discovered that before 1832, only 3% of the country were able to vote and in 1867, the Parliamentary Reform Act increased the electorate to almost 2.5 million men. WE look forward to exploring this further next week.



PE DAYS Autumn Term

Tuesday: Y4,
 Tuesday: Y5 (swimming)
 Wednesday: Y3
 Thursday: Reception, Y1 & Y2
 Friday: Y6



FOSA

Christmas Fayre

Please support
Upwell Academy!

We are seeking raffle
prizes for our upcoming
Fayre!

Our 'Date for your Diary' will be added to each week and can also be found on the [Academy Calendar](#) page of our website.



DATES
FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn Term 2024	
25 th Oct - 3rd Nov	Half-Term
4 th November	Children return to school
8 th November	Final Submission date for annual Library Bookmark Art Contest
4 th November	PLT Poppy Appeal - Poppies available to buy
7 th November	2024-25 EYFS Intake Meeting
9 th November	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
11 th November	Remembrance Assembly 10:45am - Year 5 & 6 Parents Invited PLT Walk to the memorial to lay the Academy Wreath
12 th November	Micheal Rosen Day
12 th November	Kids with Bricks Club starts – runs for 6 weeks
13 th November	Whole School Individual & Sibling Photographs
14 th November	Anti-bullying Week – Whole School Teamwork Day – Come in PE kit
15 th November	Year 4 Librarian Interviews
16 th November	King's Lynn Football Club Mixed Cup Event
17 th November	King's Lynn Football Club Girl's Cup Event
17 th November	Peterborough Football Club Special Assembly
15 th November	Children in Need special assembly and FOSA Bake Sale – children can wear something spotty or a Children in Need accessory
20 th November	Y6 Height & Weight
21 st November	Aspens 'Sparkle Spectacular Bonfire Bangers' Special Lunch

22 nd November	Cross Country Finals
25 th November	Year 5 & 6 Develop Tag Rugby
27 th November	Whole school flu immunisations
28 th -31 st November	Book Fair Visit 3:30-4:30pm
29 th November	Year 2 Romans Day – Come dressed as a Roman
29 th November	9am Christingle Service – at School (Y4 Parents Invited)
29 th November	FOSA Christmas Fayre 3:15 in the School hall – All welcome
30 th November	2024-25 EYFS Intake Meeting
2 nd December	Year 3 Egyptians Day - Come dressed as an Egyptian
9 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity 1:30pm Parents Invited 1:30pm 2 tickets per family
10 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity 1:30pm Parents Invited 1:30pm 2 tickets per family
11 th December	Whole school Panto Day – Cinderella: King's Lynn Corn Exchange
12 th December	Save the Children: Christmas Jumper Day & Whole school Christmas Lunch
17 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm
19 th December	Aspens Festive Fun Special Lunch
20 th December	Term Ends. Christmas Holiday 21 st December – 7 th Jan
Spring Term 2024	
6 th January	Staff Inset
7 th January	Children return to school
8 th January	King's Lynn Police Visit
11 th January	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
13 th January	Key Stage1 Dance Workshops start
16 th January	EYFS Reading Bears Naming Ceremony (parents invited 9am)
16 th January	Zoo Lab Visit EYFS, Y1 & Year 5
12 th January	Maths Subject Showcase (parents invited 9-10am)
15 th January	Cluster Football Competition
16 th January	Aspens 'Lunar New Year' Special Lunch
19 th January	Reading subject Showcase (parents invited 9-10am)
20 th January	KS1 Active Kids event
23 rd January	National Handwriting Day
29 th January	PSC Meeting for Year 1 parents plus crafty cuppa (2pm)
30 th January-5 th Feb	National Story Telling Week
30 th January	Story Writing Day
5 th February	Year 3 Pizza Making – Pizza Express
7 th February	Mathematics Subject Showcase 8:45-9:45am (Parents Invited) Number Day – Mathematics Professions
11 th February	Safer Internet Day
13 th February	Year 3 Crafty Cuppa Parents invited 2pm
15 th – 23 rd February	Half-Term
24 th February	Children return to school
1 st March	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
3 rd –8 th March	National Careers Week Year 5 & 6
10 th March	Y3/4 Bee Netball Festival
24 th – 27 th February	Year 5 Bikeability
14 th – 22 nd March	British Science Week – STEM Week



6th March	World Book Day: Dress as your favourite book character & Best Dressed Competition! +Author Visit (tbc) & Aspens Special Lunch
10 th March	Tempest Whole Class Photos
14th March	Reception class Vision & Hearing Tests
21st March	Comic Relief
24 th March	Parents' Evening & Aspens Taster Menu
25 th March	Parents' Evening & Aspens Taster Menu
21 st March	Planetarium Visit YR, Y2, Y5
21 st March	FOSA Easter Disco
25 th March	Year 2 Dance Festival – Corn Exchange King's Lynn
27 th March	Year 5 Young Sports Leaders Interviews
27 th March	FOSA Easter Disco
27 th March	Easter Assembly
28 th March	EYFS Farm Trip
4 th April	Downham Cluster Football Tournament
4 th April	Term Ends – Easter Holiday 5 th March –22nd April
Summer Term	
21 st April	Staff Inset
22 nd April	Children return to school
22 nd April	Earth Day – Energy Sparks Assembly
26 th April	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
30 th April	Y6 Crucial Crew visit
2 nd May	Harry Potter Writing Day
12 th May	Key Stage 2, Yr 6 SATS Week
TBC	Year 4 Oliver Cromwell House Trip
15 th May	Aspens Out of this World Special Lunch
22 nd May	Year 6 Parents Meeting – Residential 3:30 – 4:15pm
19 th May	Potential RNLI Assembly to KS2
25 th – 2 nd June	Half-Term
3 rd June	Children return to school
TBC	Year 3 Houghton Hall
5 th June	Mini Tennis Lynnsport
9 th June	Year 1 Phonics & Times Tables check
14 th June	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
19 th June	Aspens 'Dive into the Deep Blue' Special Lunch
23 rd June	School Sports Partnership Quadkids Athletics
30 th June – 2 nd July	Year 6 Residential Claythorpe Court
1 st July	Downham Cluster Area Sports
7 th - 11 th July	Sport Week
9 th July	Whole School Sports Day (weather permitting)
10 th July	Mini Tennis event Lynnsport
15 th July	Reserve Sports Day
10 th July	FOSA End of Year Disco
14 th July	Transition Week - Move up Assembly 14 th July 9am



17 th July	Aspens 'The Big Picnic' Special Lunch
17 th July	New Class Teacher Parent Workshop 3:20-3:50pm
21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
22 nd July	Pupil Leadership Team Speeches and Polling Station
22 nd July	Term ends

Year 3

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A day in the Life of the
EGYPTIANS

2ND DECEMBER

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