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# NEWSLETTER

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Another very busy week. Apologies for the change of date for Sports Day, we felt it was very important that all of year 6 get to partake in their final sports day at Upwell Academy. We hope you understand. There are some new dates and slight changes highlighted in the Diary Dates section, so please check these.



## Year 4 and 6 Cricket Festival

On Tuesday representatives from Upwell Academy travelled to Stow Bardolph for the years 4/5/6 Girls Dynamo Cricket Festival. This was a development day to support participation from those new to the sport and others who have not previously engaged in team competition.

On a day uninterrupted by rain Upwell fielded a team comprising of four students from year 6 and four from year 4. Also entered were Denver, Hillcrest Rockets and Hillcrest Superchargers.

After an understandably nervous start the girls progressed with vigour and enthusiasm. All bowlers had several overs with Hera and Zara impressively strong and confident. Some excellent fielding from the hard-working Sophia and Autumn who enjoyed success especially as during the second game. With some great catches in fielding positions from Olive and Marnie at the wickets Upwell were riding high despite strong winds on pitch two. A cracking innings by the two Scarlets who batted well and scored several runs apiece.

A fantastic day was enjoyed by the whole team and spectators alike. At the presentation, a medal was awarded to team captain Scarlett S for the best hit of the day and a lovely surprise for Zara who was awarded player of the day after catching the Umpires eye for her great all-round performance. The whole team should be so very proud of their wholesome participation, excellent sportsmanship, and professional attitude. Certificates are on their way with an invitation to the next SSP competition to be held early spring term at Downham Market CCC. Well done!

### Key Dates for your diary

**Saturday Morning Library**  
Saturday 13th June

**Year 6 Crafty Cuppa**  
Wednesday 18th June

**New Year R intake Meeting**  
Thursday 19th June

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# This weekend you could....

The library is open from 9-10am tomorrow 14th June, so pop along and once you have finished there you could support the founders day fete at Welney.



## Out of School Success!

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



Don't forget to upload any photos so you can be in the next newsletter!



Fantastic, congratulations on your success at the gymnastics competition!



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# Learning Highlights

**Reception: Cygnet Class** We continued the story *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*, sequencing the events in the correct order and even designing our own disgusting sandwiches — with some very creative (and revolting!) combinations

In maths, we've been building on our learning with rekenreks and consolidating our understanding of counting rules. We practised counting objects beyond 20 and talked about the important rules we follow when counting larger groups.

As well as this, we've been busy making posters about how to stay safe in the summer and sharing ideas on how to look after ourselves in the sunshine. To celebrate Father's Day, we also spent time thinking about why we love our dads and created special cards to take home.

It's been a fantastic week of learning and creativity!

## Year 1: Waterlily Class

This week in year 1 the children have wowed us all with their fantastic phonics learning and beautiful reading. They have been super focused and have showed a real love for learning. They have also been getting a little messy in art learning all about sculptures! Not only have they learnt lots about the artform, but they have also created their very own clay penguins. I look forward to next week where we will paint them.

## Year 2: Otter Class

This week in Otter Class, the children have been working really hard at their reading during their group reading time. In English, we have just started a new unit on writing our own speeches inspired by Malala. The children have been writing excellent speeches using lots of vocabulary and emotive language in their writing. The children have shown great collaborations and maturity to their history this week, where we have been learning about lots of powerful people in the world, with a focus on equality and fighting for what you believe in. With the weather being nice, we are hoping to go outside and do some more outdoor learning next week!



## Year 3: Swan Class

This week in Year 3 we have been working hard and completing our final PIXL assessments. The children have shown great determination, perseverance and resilience when completing these in class. We have also looked at a new topic in science focusing on Rocks and their different properties. Hopefully the weather will stay nice, and we can go out next week and hunt for some different rock types! Well done this week, keep up the hard work Year 3.

## Year 4: Dragonfly Class

This week Year 4 have completed the Multiplication Tables Check. They have all worked super hard to achieve their very best! Well done year 4! Next week we are starting our Design Technology project. The children will be cooking Ratatouille and Couscous over the coming weeks.

## Year 5: Willow Class

This week year 5 started their new topic of the Victorians. In English we are using Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens as our focus to write. We have looked at the contrasting characters of Mr Bumble and Oliver. In DT we have continued to make our bags and in maths we have completed our work on division for this year.

## Year 6: Kingfisher Class

Kingfisher Class have enjoyed their mathematics this week, looking at the curve of pursuit. The entire class were able to draw the curve by rotating the initial polygon and rotating before altering one of the parameters. In science, Year 6 also enjoyed exploring inheritance in our 'Evolution' topic. Next week, we look forward to more technical maths drawings, but with a different focus.



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

**Updates**



14 <sup>th</sup> June	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9 – 10am
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Crafty Cuppa 1:45 – 3pm School and communities Team available
19 <sup>th</sup> June	New Year R Intake Meeting 09:30 – 10 and 15:30-16:00
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Aspens 'Dive into the Deep Blue' Special Lunch
W/C 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 6 pitch to FOSA for Entrepreneur Market Funding
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	School Sports Partnership Quadkids Athletics
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Trip to Oliver Cromwell House, Ely
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Leaders workshop with WNSP
27 <sup>th</sup> June	I'm a Year 6 Get Me Out of Here Leavers' Event
30 <sup>th</sup> June – 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Residential Caythorpe Court
30 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Active Kids Events
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Downham Area Cluster Sports
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Sports Leaders' Workshop with WNSP
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 Cambridge Hands-On-Science Workshop All Day
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Sports Day
7 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Week
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Great Athletes Olympian Visit
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 Mini tennis event Lynnsport
10 <sup>th</sup> July	FOSA End of year Disco
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Entrepreneur Market (Yr R parents invited from 2pm)
16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Days
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Jump Up Assembly 9am
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Aspens 'The Big Picnic' Special Lunch
17 <sup>th</sup> July	New Class Meet the Teacher Parent Workshop 3:20-3:50pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Marshland High School Taster Day
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Saturday Morning Library Hour 9-10am
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 2pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Pupil Leadership Team Speeches and Polling Station
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Term Ends 3:15pm



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