

Three weeks in!

We're only three weeks in, and the Covid restrictions we had in place already feel like a distant memory. Seeing all the classes playing together and sharing lunchtimes has been wonderful. And we are rediscovering the delights of whole-school singing assemblies, having lots of fun revisiting some of our old favourites! We are also delighted to have all our reception children now attending full time, since Wednesday.

The new system for pick up and drop off is working well and we would like to thank all our parents and carers for their cooperation, especially ensuring the children arrive on time. The school day starts at 8:45am and as soon as your child arrives, the learning begins. All classes from Year 1 to Year 6 do special Magic Maths sessions between 8:45 and 9:00am, where they focus on their maths fluency (recalling maths facts and concepts without thinking e.g. learning multiplication tables, number bonds etc.). Being in on time is particularly crucial for children in reception as they are getting used to the daily routines.

Bikes and Scooters

Please note that if your child cycles or comes to school on a scooter, they are very welcome to use our bike shed and scooter rack. However, please remember that they do so at their own risk, as the school can take no responsibility or liability for stolen bikes and scooters.



We highly recommend your child locks up their bike or scooter.



Parking Outside School

We are asking all parents to be particularly mindful of where they park, if they bring their child to school by car. We have all seen how busy and congested it can get at the start and end of the day. Please support us in keeping everybody safe by:

- Not parking on the Zig Zag lines
- Parking further away from the school (even around the corner on another street)
- Remembering our neighbours and not blocking their driveways

Thank you!



Barton Camp (gentle reminder)

Year 6 Parents, If you wish your child to go to Barton Camp this year, please can you ensure you return the forms as soon as possible. For additional copies of the forms, please contact the school office.

We are also still waiting for full payment for some children. If this is not possible, please contact us so we can work out how we can support you.

School Absence

For information on what to do if your child is poorly with Covid symptoms, click the link below:

<https://www.upperhorfield.bristol.sch.uk/information/covid-19-coronavirus-update>

Parents and Carers must inform the school of all absences.

Where the school has not been informed, the absence will be marked as unauthorised.



School Uniform

Thank you to all our parents and carers for making sure our children are wearing school uniform every day. They all look really smart!

Please remember to send your child in to school with their P.E. kit

Additional Dates for the diary

Term 1

5/10/21 to 8/10/21 Year 6 residential trip to Barton Camp

14/10/21 (9:15am) Harvest Assembly

15/10/21 School Photographer

Term 2

W/B 15/11/21 Kindness Week

16/11/21 Parents Evening (3:30-6:00pm)

17/11/21 Parents Evening (3:30-6:00pm)

19/11/21 Children Need (donate £1 and dress up- theme to follow)

14/12/21 Reception/ Key Stage 1 Winter Performance (*Show Me the Way to Santa's Grotto*) for parents/ carers (1:45pm)

15/12/21 Reception/ Key Stage 1 Winter Performance (*Show Me the Way to Santa's Grotto*) for parents/ carers (9:15am)

Term 3

20/1/22 Maths Day -all classes will be engaged in a range of maths activities- games, investigations, art). Parents and carers are invited to join us for the first session at 9:00am. Children are also invited to dress up on a maths theme.

Term 4

3/2/22 World Book Day- children are invited to dress up as a favourite character or book. Parents are invited to join us in class at 9:00am for the first session, for a range of reading activities.

22/3/22 Parents Evening/ mid-year reports to parents and carers (3:30-6:00pm)

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Term 5

W/B 9/5/22 Year 6 SATs Week

Term 6

W/B 27/6/22 Sports Week

30/6/21 Sports Day (9:30am)

WB 11/7/22 End of Year School Reports to parents and carers. Parents and carers will be given the opportunity to meet

Starting Primary School 2022

If you have a child (or know somebody with a child) born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, an application for a primary school place must be completed by **15 January 2021**. This can be done online at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you would like to have a look around the school, you can come in on any of the following dates for a tour, please book at Main Reception.

Thursday 30th September (9:30am)

Friday 22nd October (2:00pm)

Thursday 11th November (9:30am)

Friday 3rd December (2:00pm)

Year 7 Secondary School Place Reminder

Parents/carers of year 6 children will need to apply for a secondary school place by

31 October 2021. Apply online at:

www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/secondary-admissions



Spaces Available at After School Sports Clubs

We still have spaces available in our after-school sports clubs:

- Mondays are gymnastics club for years 1, 2 and 3
- Tuesdays will be football club for years 4, 5 and 6. September. T



Go to www.MyShine.co.uk/school/upper-horfield-primary to book a place. This can be done week by week or termly (why not book one session to give your child a taster to see if they want to continue). Shine clubs cost only £3.00 per week.

Spaces Available at After School Club

We still have places available for After School Club. This is offered as follows:

- Available for children in Reception to Year 6
- Run from the end of the school day to 5:00pm
- Sessions cost £7.50 per child
- Run as a "Tea Club," this means children need to come with a snack / packed tea
- Places must be booked and paid for in advance



Tapestry

A reminder to all Early Years parents/carers to activate your Tapestry account if you haven't already. Tapestry is a great way be updated on your child's learning. For any help, please ask for Mrs Newman.

Spaces Available at Breakfast Club

We still have spaces available in breakfast club. If you would like your child to attend, just call the office and book them in, and it's FREE! Breakfast Club starts at 8:00am and last entry is 8:30am. Children will be given a breakfast, and can take part in activities before being taken to their classes ready for school.

