



## Halberton and Uplowman Federation

Academic year 2017/18  
Newsletter 1—Friday 8th September 2017

# NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back after what I hope was a relaxing and fun-filled summer. It doesn't take long to get back into the swing of things and the familiar routine and in a way that is reassuring, yet for many in our school this is all very new.

We warmly welcome the returning Mrs Campion to Halberton and the returning Mrs Hardy to Uplowman, Mrs Ward to Uplowman and Mrs Flory to both schools and there has been a calm and purposeful start to the week which has provided a secure and nourishing environment for the children and our newbies in particular. So it is lovely to welcome our new Foundation Stage children, Lily, Kiera, Seth, Rowan, Raven and Toby, plus Ty in Year 1, Barney in Year 2, Elliott in Year 3, and Matthew in Year 4 and their families to our Halberton family and to our Uplowman family and their families it is lovely to welcome our new Foundation Stage children, Lexie, Tabitha, Ellie, Emilia, Edouard, Morgan, and Romilly, plus Duncan in Year 2, Madeleine in Year 3, Micah in Year 5, Nea in Year 6.

I am sure that our new families have quickly ascertained that Halberton and Uplowman are very friendly schools, with a warm welcome and open door. We are always happy to discuss anything and listen plus you will very quickly discover how hard the staff work for your children. Please do not wait to for Parents' Evenings or to be contacted if you feel there are issues you'd like to discuss or questions you'd like to ask regarding your child. Do not hesitate to ask.

After a fairly unsettled time, last year, we are looking forward to some stability and the early signs this week have been incredibly encouraging. There has been a lovely and purposeful sense of calm around the school and we look forward to seeing how the year progresses.

You will shortly receive a Curriculum Letter for each class with an outline of the terms learning that the children will be experiencing. Please let us know if you'd like to get involved.

As many of you are aware, my wife is due to give birth to our baby next week and I intend taking some paternity leave, so I will not be in either school while all that is going on, so I will see you when I return. In the meantime, enjoy the weekend.

Best wishes

*Steven Badcott - Executive Headteacher*

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# HALBERTON CLASS 3 NEWS

We have had a fantastic start to the term in class 3. We have begun our new topic, 'Under Attack' and this theme will include learning about Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. As well as this, we have a 'week of Inspirational Maths' based on the work of Stanford University Maths Professor Jo Boaler, where children have been encouraged to embrace a Growth Mindset when faced with maths investigations and challenges. It has been wonderful to hear how positively the children are approaching work they find tricky, and it bodes well for the year ahead.

Mrs Campion



## HALBERTON AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

**Tuesday—Saints South-west Football**

**Wednesday—Forest School**

**Wednesday—Art & Crafts Club**

**Thursday—Ball Sports Club**

Please speak to the office if your child would like to attend an after school club, places will be confirmed as soon as possible and you will be contacted if a space comes available.

Waiting list will be held in the office.

Thank you

**ABSENT FROM SCHOOL**—If your child is unwell and unable to attend school please call the office first thing before 9.15 if possible, so that your child can be marked in the register as unwell and not as an unauthorised absence

**CHANGE OF DETAILS** - Please can you inform the office if you change your mobile number, work number, landline number and address. Thank you

**PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH**—If you have any concerns at all about anything to do with school, please do come in to discuss it with us as most problems can be solved easily and quickly if we work together

## Halberton

### Forthcoming Events

04/10/17 Class 3 Tiverton Museum Trip 9.45-2.45

05/10/17 Class 2 Tiverton Museum Trip 9.45-2.45

05/10/17 Census Day

20/10/17 Half Term

30/10/17 First Day Back

14/12/17 Federation Pantomime Trip

15/12/17 Christmas Jumper Day

15/12/17 End of Term

\* We will keep updating forthcoming events so please keep an eye out for amendments and new events being added, Thank you



## HALBERTON AWARDS

### Class 1

#### Reader of the Week

Well Done! Grace

#### Mathematician of the Week

Great Job! Toby W

#### Writer of the Week

Keep up the good work! Liberty

### Class 2

#### Reader of the Week

Well Done! Curtis

#### Mathematician of the Week

Great Job! Riley M

#### Writer of the Week

Keep up the good work! Dylan

### Class 3

#### Reader of the Week

Well Done! Daisee

#### Mathematician of the Week

Great Job! Meisha

#### Writer of the Week

Keep up the good work! Lara

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# BLUEBELLS

I have enjoyed meeting most of the parents of the Year 3 and 4 children this week, but for those I have missed, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Jane Ward and I will be teaching Bluebells class this year. I have relocated over the summer from Worthing in West Sussex where I have been teaching year 3 in a large primary school for the past 5 years. Our first week at school has been a busy one for us all. It has been lovely to meet your children and begin to get to know them better. They have been a great, helping me settle in to Uplowman and making me feel most welcome.

We have started our topic of Invaders and Settlers with the children thinking of things that they really want to find out about the Romans, Saxons and Vikings. They have come up with some interesting questions and I am sure we will have fun finding the answers. We have also begun our art unit by looking at the way different artists represent the sea and recreating some of their pictures using a variety of media. We will use some of this artwork to inspire our poetry writing next week.

# UPLOWMAN

**Welcome to  
Uplowman  
Mrs Ward!**

## UPLOWMAN AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

**Monday—Saints Southwest Football**

**Tuesday—Dance Club with Ella**

**Friday —Forest School**

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## IMPORTANT INFO FOR EVERYONE!

**We have been asked to remind parents of the laws regarding children travelling safely in cars. Please take a look at this website  
<https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seats-the-rules>  
For all the information, thank you.**

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## UPLOWMAN Forthcoming Events

26/09/17 Bluebells Museum Trip  
27/09/17 Snowdrops Museum Trip  
05/10/17 Census Day  
13/10/17 Harvest Festival  
20/10/17 Half Term  
30/10/17 First Day Back  
02/11/17 Parents Open Evening 4pm-7pm  
08/11/17 Tempest Individual Photos  
11/12/17 Nativity  
13/12/17 Christmas Lunch  
14/12/17 Federation Pantomime  
15/12/17 Christmas Jumper Day  
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