



# Newsletter

## Head Teacher Message

We have made a great start to the new academic year. The Year 3 children have settled in really well and are making a very positive contribution to the life of the school. We have two new members to our teaching staff and four new members to our support staff. Mr Deacon is a new teacher working in Year 5 and Mrs Chowdhury is working in Year 3. New support staff include Mr Pallett and Mrs Florea in Y3, Mrs Edwards in Year 4 and Mrs Ako in Year 5. They have made a great start to their careers at Uplands Junior LEAD Academy and we are very lucky to have them on our team. Please make them feel welcome when you have the opportunity to speak with them.

Don't forget that it is our Autumn term Parents Evenings next Wednesday and Thursday. You should have received a letter and a booking slip but if not, then please contact the office who will provide you with one.

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## Dates for your Diary

**9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Parent consultation evenings

**7<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 trip to the Black Country Museum

**9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 3 trips to Botanical Gardens

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – school closes for half term and reopens on Monday 21<sup>st</sup>

**31<sup>st</sup> October** – Anti-Bullying performance in school

## In the last Month...

- The library has been refurbished and new books added to the collection of books
- We have ordered new class sets of topic books to support the development of reading across the school
- We have purchased an online digital reading programme called Accelerated Reader to further support reading across the school
- Maxine Clewlow, our Director of School has carried out a QA visit in school to ensure that we continue to make progress
- Three staff have received TEAM TEACH training
- Five staff have received training in delivering Rainbow Grammar
- Year 6 visited the Transport Museum in Coventry as part of their topic work
- All staff have received training on delivering Power Maths
- TEEN TECH spent a day with Year 6 designing and building sustainable and futuristic buildings

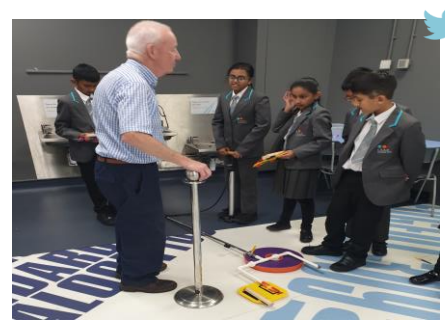


### Term Time Holidays

We have already had a number of requests from parents and carers to take their children out of school during term time. The school will only authorise absence during term time in exceptional circumstances. Holidays are not classed as an exceptional circumstance. Please ensure that you take your holidays out of term time. Pupils are legally obliged to be in school for 190 days of the year which leaves plenty of time for holidays. Thanks in advance!

## Important Notices

- Remember the school closes on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October and opens again on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October for half term
- Parent consultation evenings to be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of October. Please bring your phone and email address with you as we will have the facility to set you up on ParentApp that evening
- Please make sure your children bring their PE kit on the correct day
- Please ensure your child brings their packed lunch to school with them. The office staff are very busy and do not have time to deliver packed lunch boxes to children that have been delivered to the office by parents and carers

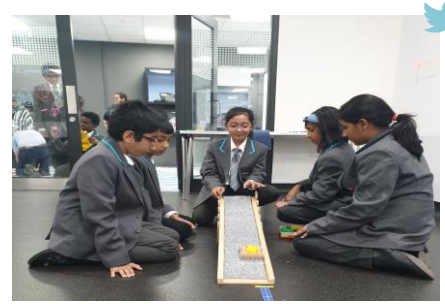


## Attendance Figures for 2019/20

This is the overall attendance for each year group this month. Well done to Year 3 for having the best overall attendance this month.

**Overall attendance for the school currently stands at 96.94%**

- Year 3 – 97.52%
- Year 4 – 96.81%
- Year 5 – 97.07%
- Year 6 – 96.35%



We value **your voice** and would like you to join us on our journey of improvement.

