



Parent E-Bulletin – Spring Term Week Commencing 13th March 2023

Update from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/ carers,

The week we have been celebrating International Women's Day. This has been delivered in assemblies and learners have responded really well to the shared messages. We have also been able to celebrate a number of sporting successes - The netball team has made it through to the final four in the country. This is an outstanding achievement. We have also been made aware of a learner who has qualified for an Olympic team and two learners who completed in an ice-skating competition and performed exceptionally well. These are just to mention a few. It wonderful to hear about learner's achievements both inside and outside of school.

Today has not been the end to the week I expected. School is just a building without our learners.

I hope that you are all well and I look forward to seeing learners back in school on Monday 13th March 2023. Let's hope spring finally arrives next week!

Mr L Cummins,
Headteacher

Young Carers

Dear Parent/Carer,

A young carer is a young person aged 5 – 16 who looks after someone who couldn't manage without their help. This could mean looking after a parent, brother or sister, grandparent or family friend who has a disability, long term illness, or drug and alcohol related issues. Do you think you have a Young Carer in your household? If so, please contact school, and speak with Mrs Julia Jackson, or send an e-mail to jacksonj@uptonhigh.co.uk, to see how we can support you all.

For more information, please follow the link below.

<https://www.flipsnack.com/CA7CFEBBDC9/supporting-young-carers-and-their-families/full-view.html>:

Many thanks,
Mrs J Jackson
Assistant SENCO

Tesco Gift Cards (FSM)

We are pleased to confirm that £30 Tesco gift cards will be issued to parents / carers of every learner on roll who is in receipt of Free School Meals, in lieu of FSMs over the forthcoming Easter holiday period. These are being funded through Cheshire West & Chester Council's Household Support Fund. Tesco will be distributing these gift cards direct to you via email (from the email address tescogiftcards@cashstar.com) at 8am on Monday 20th March. Please look out for the receipt of this email in your Inbox on that day. If it does not appear in your Inbox then please check your Junk Email / Clutter folders just in case the email goes there instead.

For parents / carers of FSM learners in years 7 to 10, a further Tesco Gift card for £5 per child will be distributed via the same method at 8am on Friday 10th March, in lieu of FSMs on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March, when they will not be required to attend school, due to strike action. FSM learners in years 11, 12 & 13 will be able to take FSMs on these strike days as they will be required to attend school on them as normal.

If you do not receive a gift card you were expecting please email finance@uptonhigh.co.uk and we will investigate and resolve the matter for you.

Stay Safe @ Upton March 2023 Focus: Online Safety

Please use the link below to view our latest Stay Safe @ Upton bulletin which is focusing on Online Safety:

[Stay Safe Bulletin: March - Online Safety](#)

Praise and Due Cards

Learners will be asked to keep their Praise and Due cards in their blazer pocket to allow for immediate feedback and recognition from staff. Learners will need to remove these cards prior to washing! Thank you for your support.

Mrs K McCarthy
Deputy Headteacher

Careers and Next Steps

Click on the link below to see the latest information

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ab57VM41x7_yzr0Q19PUj0r4KoWn--X2iSfZR7Kl_yc/edit?usp=sharing

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