



Parent E-Bulletin – Spring Break Bulletin

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/ carers,

It is hard to believe that we have arrived at the end of another half term. Whilst there has been disruption in terms of both snow and strikes we have still managed to achieve a great deal as a school. Rather than repeat all these achievements I would direct you to the Upton Voice newsletter, written by our learners celebrating much of what has been going on in the school. The achievements have been made possible as a result of the hard work and dedication of our staff, learners and the support of yourselves.

Throughout this term we have continued to work on plans for the new school building. This is an exciting time and as soon as I have more detail to share with you I will.

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable spring break and we look forward to welcoming learners back for the beginning of the summer term.

I have included some key dates for the next half term below along with a reminder of how to contact school should you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

L Cummins

Headteacher

Key Summer Term Dates

Please find below the key dates for the first half of the Summer Term. Further information will follow for each of these events. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact school via the admin@uptonhigh.co.uk email address.

Date	Event
Monday 17 th April	Learners return to school normal time 8.40am
Thursday 27 th April	Bikeability training for learners in Year 7&8
Monday 1 st May	Early May Bank Holiday
Thursday 4 th May	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III
Wednesday 24 th May	Florida Trip Meeting for Parents
Friday 26 th May	School closes to learners at the normal time of 3.10pm

Contacting the School

Home school communication is important to us at Upton-by-Chester High School. For most communication, you would contact the form tutor in the first instance.

In each year group we have a team of staff made up of a Head of Year and a Pastoral Support Manager. They can be contacted via email or through the main school number 01244 259800. Their details are show below

Year Group	Head of Year	Pastoral Support Manager	Email Contact
7	Mr S Togher	Mrs S Maxwell	Year7@uptonhigh.co.uk
8	Mr S Wearden	Miss J Hewitt	Year8@uptonhigh.co.uk
9	Miss R Simpson	Miss C Carter	Year9@uptonhigh.co.uk
10	Mr M Jones	Mrs D Bowen	Year10@uptonhigh.co.uk
11	Mrs J Dey	Mrs A Wynne	Year11@uptonhigh.co.uk
12	Mr P Lewis	Mrs T Stickels	Year12@uptonhigh.co.uk
13	Mr P Lewis	Mrs T Stickels	Year13@uptonhigh.co.uk

Upton Voice

Please use the following link to view our most recent edition of the Upton Voice:

<https://www.uptonhigh.co.uk/page/?title=Upton+Voice+Newsletter&pid=31>

Down Syndrome Cheshire

We sold all 440 Gingerbread socks by Thursday! £443.30 has been raised for Down Syndrome Cheshire.

The learners involved include, the Learner Leadership Team, Peer Mentors and volunteers from Year 8 and Year 9.



Fairtrade Fortnight

The Learner Leadership Team led a week of assemblies followed by a week of activities. Learners sold £98 worth of raffle tickets for the Fairtrade raffle. Staff and learner winners' received a variety of Fairtrade goodies. Learners designed T-shirt/bags in DT and Chocolate bar wrappers in Art. Learners have also been designing Fairtrade and ethically themed menus. 8Y1MA redesigned the Fairtrade Logo adding information - 'What is Fairtrade and why should we care?' It is now displayed in E block.



Careers and Next Steps

Click on the link below to see the latest information

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ab57VM41x7_yzr0Q19PUj0r4KoWn--X2iSfZR7KI_yc/edit?usp=sharing

Information from External Partners

British Cycling Female Endurance Talent Identification



GBR

Dear Parent/Guardian

I am getting in touch to make you aware of a Female Talent Identification Programme for Cycling we are running this year. Which hopes to identify the cycling potential of talented young people from across England, with those successful going on to join British Cycling's Talent Development and Performance Pathways. Please find more details of this opportunity below and how to get involved.

This could be the start of a journey that could lead to potentially going to the Olympic games and following in the footsteps of British Olympic medalists Dame Laura Kenny, Katie Archibald, Elinor Barker and Neah Evans.

If your child would like to get more involved in this Talent ID Program and the sport of cycling. Then please complete the below application form which can be opened by scanning the QR code below with your mobile phone camera. Applications will close on **Friday 28th April 2023.**

Following completing an application your child could be invited to one of our 3 testing days taking place across England throughout May and June. Each testing day will typically broken down into 3 parts; a workshop delivered by coaches from the Great Britain Cycling Team explaining the cycling pathway and the exiting journey riders could go on, a number of physical test using Wattbikes and off the bike tests for a chance to show us what you can do!

- Manchester – Sunday 14th May 2023
- Derby – Monday 29th May 2023
- London – Sunday 11th June 2023

You must be born in the years 2008 and 2009 to apply and be eligible for a British passport, but no prior racing experience is required – just the ability to ride a bike!



Or follow this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/8w62xVb23Z>
Instagram – @British_Cycling_Talent_Dev

Thanks
Tiffany Fletcher

British Cycling Talent Development Coach – Female Lead

Email: tiffanyfletcher@britishcycling.org.uk

Mobile: 07384 214096

Information shared via Cheshire West and Chester Council

Please use the following link to access the Parent Carer Forum Newsletter

[Parent Carer Forum Newsletter](#)

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