



Parent E-Bulletin – Summer Half Term

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/ carers,

I am writing to you today at the end of another hugely successful half term. There have been so many highlights it would be impossible to share them all so I will just share with you a few of the best moments.

Over the last two weeks we have said “goodbye” to Year 11 and Year 13. Whilst we hope this is not the end of our contact with each of these fantastic groups of young people we have been able to celebrate the journey we have shared together as a school community. To see the success that each of these groups of learners has had is wonderful.

This half term we have also been reminded of the outstanding contribution that many of our learners make to the local community, this has included helping members of the wider Upton-by-Chester High School community in distress, supporting at charity events, and undertaking practical work to improve the local environment.

I am certain that we can look forward to more successes in the final half term of this academic year.

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable break and we look forward to welcoming learners back for the final half 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 second 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 5 th June	Learners return to school normal time 8.40am
Monday 5 th and Tuesday 6 th June	Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition
Tuesday 20 th June	Sports Day
Week Commencing 26 th June	Year 6 Transition Events
Tuesday 4 th to Thursday 6 th July	Key Stage 3 Production “ Our Day Out”
Friday 7 th July	Year 13 Prom
Wednesday 12 th to Friday 14 th July	Year 8 PGL Trip
Thursday 13 th July	Year 11 Prom
Thursday 20 th July	School closes to learners at the earlier time of 1.20pm – the buses will collect learners at this time as normal.

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

Learners in receipt of Free School Meals

A £15.00 Tesco gift card will be sent via email to one parent/carers of every FSM learner on roll at 8.00a.m. on Tuesday 23rd May 2023, funded through the Government's Household Support Fund. The gift card will be emailed direct to you from tescogiftcards@cashstar.com. If you cannot see the email in your Inbox, please check your "Junk" and "Clutter" folders just in case it goes into the wrong folder.

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.

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

Do You Care About Upton?

UPTON-BY-CHESTER AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL HAS VACANCIES TO FILL.

If you thought that the Parish Council was the same old people
doing the same old things, think again.

New beginnings for a new council - a very friendly team is now looking for more
people to join in making an extraordinary difference in Upton.



The Parish Council will be looking at all aspects of the services it delivers, especially
engaging with residents - you can play an important part in this.

If you live or work in Upton and think you may have something to offer, please
consider giving some of your time to the community.

Please contact the Clerk for more information or an application form:
clerk@uptonbychester.org.uk or call 07584415343.

Applications will be considered at the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on
12 June, please return forms by 4 June.



Schoolchildren offered chance to experience Chester Regatta as historic event marks 290th anniversary

Chester schoolchildren are being given the chance to experience part of the world's oldest regatta – in the
form of a cruise up the river alongside the city's Mayor and MP.

Chester Regatta is offering local schoolchildren in years 7 to 11 the opportunity to win a cruise up the River Dee with the Right Worshipful the Lord Mayor Cllr Sheila Little and the city's Member of Parliament, Sam Dixon – on the same day the famous competition takes place in June.

Sponsored by businesses including The Hotel Chester and law firm Aaron & Partners, the competition comes as part of the 290th anniversary of the first recorded Chester Regatta and aims to increase local awareness of the oldest regatta in the world.

Alongside the 'River Jaunt' on June 10, up to six winners will receive a gift bag including souvenirs and collectibles marking the Regatta's significance.

Jan Chillery, Insolvency Partner at Aaron & Partners and Chester Regatta Secretary, said: "We want to spread the word about Chester Regatta as we recognise that many people here have never heard of it, even though 2023 will be its 290th anniversary. We are very proud that it is the oldest regatta in the world.

"There are great opportunities for junior rowing in Chester, and we hope that this competition inspires even more young people to take it up as a sport.

"We encourage everyone to come down to the Meadows to watch the Regatta and enjoy the racing. It's a perfect place for a June picnic."

To enter the draw, Chester children in years 7 to 11 are asked to submit a piece of writing, between 100 and 250 words. It must refer to Chester Regatta in some way, perhaps its history, local impact or future development. More details and terms of conditions for the competition can be found on the Chester Regatta website www.chesterregatta.org.

This special excursion will pick up winners from the Meadows, cruise up the River Dee along the Regatta course, before returning to Meadows Ferry landing stage.

To take a part in the competition, please send your written piece to chester.regatta1733@hotmail.com by 5pm on May 31. Queries to Jan Chillery at this same email address.





Come along to NEXT Eastgate Street, Chester.

All throughout June we will be opening until 6pm on a Thursday and a Friday for you to try on your Prom suits. We will have Suit specialists available to assist you in your selection.



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