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## A very warm welcome to Upton Heath Church of England Primary School, a friendly primary school in Upton, Chester.

There are a wealth of opportunities for children at Upton Heath, whether using the extensive facilities in our newly built school to uncover new talents or getting involved in an after school activity or club, Upton Heath is where your child can grow in a nurturing, caring environment. Our curriculum inspires our children to REACH, with lessons and educational experiences that are Relevant, Engaging, Aspirational, Creative and Holistic. The welfare and wellbeing of our pupils is at the heart of everything we do at Upton Heath, with social and emotional development as vital as academic success. We even have our own school dog, Buddy! But where Upton Heath really excels is in its staff team, a caring team who are committed to upholding our school vision, 'serving one another in love' in all that they do. I invite you to visit us, to experience Upton Heath for yourself.

**Stuart Roberts,**  
Principal

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I like English because it allows me the time to be creative and think about what I want to say. I like using different vocabulary and re-reading to see what I can do better.

**Sophie**

## The Samara Trust

Upton Heath, Clutton and Little Sutton C of E Primary Schools joined together to form The Samara Trust and Upton Heath became an academy.

Our school being part of The Samara Trust has many benefits for your child such as collaboration of skills and expertise, access to Trust wide resources, and increased opportunities for pupils and staff within a child focused environment. You can find out more about The Samara Trust at the following;

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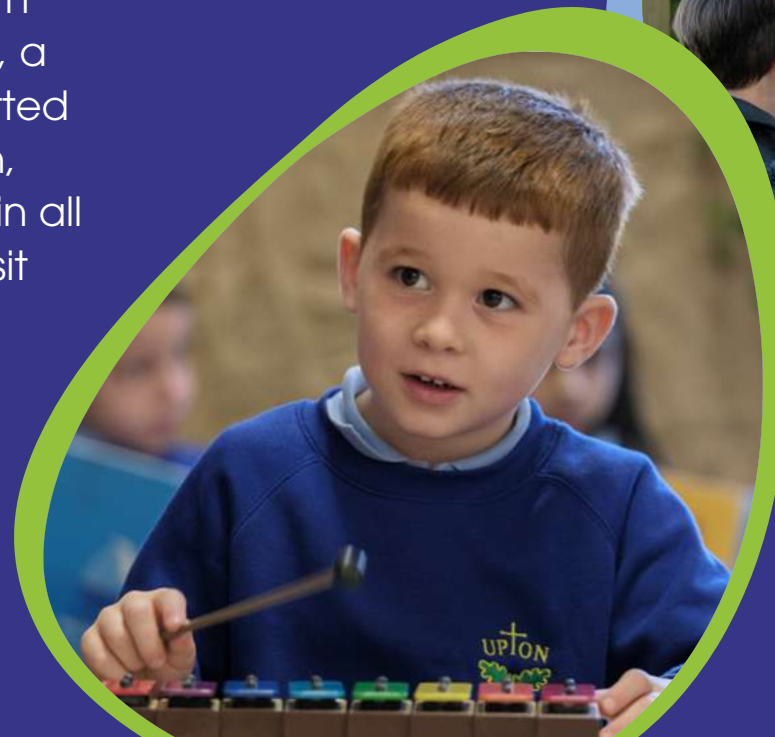
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## Curriculum

Our curriculum at Upton Heath offers rich and memorable learning experiences that motivate and inspire our children to become independent and confident learners. You can find out more about our curriculum for each subject area on our **website**.

We constantly strive to achieve excellence in all aspects of school life and reach standards of which our children are rightly proud. To encourage reading, we utilise a fantastic resource in school called Accelerated Reader. To help children learn to read and write we use Anima Phonics, a multi-sensory method, teaching children actions and poems for each of the 44 letter sounds. In maths, we focus on fluency, reasoning, and problem solving, with an additional resource, 'Rock Star Maths' available for children'.





## STEM

At Upton Heath, we are lucky to have a dedicated Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) space at the school, including a state of the art 3D printer, ovens and crafting tables for design and technology. All children at our school utilise our STEM space, accessing a variety of equipment such as programmable floor robots and coding caterpillars, and undertaking various lessons, from woodwork to food technology to green screening. This dedicated space enables an enhanced curriculum and engaging learning opportunities.

## Wraparound care and Upton Village Pre School

Upton Heath C of E Primary School is pleased to offer wraparound care for our families through S4YC, an OFSTED outstanding provider. S4YC has its own dedicated room within our school building, with a wealth of engaging activities for children within a relaxed and comfortable space. Breakfast club begins at 7.45am and after school club runs until 6.00pm. Find out more about S4YC and book at [s4yc.co.uk](https://s4yc.co.uk). Upton Village Pre School is an independent pre-school located within our school building and works closely with our EYFS team at Upton Heath to ensure a smooth transition for your child when it is time to start school. Find out more at [uptonvillagepreschool.co.uk/](https://uptonvillagepreschool.co.uk/)

## Church School

Upton Heath is a Church of England primary school and our church is Holy Ascension Church in Upton. As a pupil at Upton Heath, your child will have the opportunity to take part in Collective Worship at school each week with regular visits to our church for Harvest, Christmas and Easter celebrations. As a church school, we also have a National Society Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools. Our latest report stated: "The school, through its distinctive Christian character, is outstanding at meeting the needs of all learners". You can read our latest SIAMS report on our website, and find out more about Holy Ascension Church at [holycension.org.uk/](https://holycension.org.uk/)

## Links with local high schools

From Upton Heath, your child may move onto one of the many high schools across Chester including **The Bishops' Blue Coat Church of England High School**, **Upton High School** and **Christleton High School**. Some of our pupils also transition to grammar schools across the Wirral. We have strong links with our local high schools, with regular taster days and events for pupils.



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When I work in the STEM room I get to be a proper scientist!.

Jess

## Vision

When choosing a primary school for your child, it is often helpful for you to understand the values and ethos for the school. At Upton Heath, our values are Respect, Resilience, Compassion and Learning Together, all of which are reflected in our scripture link, 'Serve one another in love' (Galatians 5:13).





## Uniform

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Grey skirt, trousers or shorts. Blue shirt or polo shirt. Upton Heath cardigan or jumper. Summer, blue and white checked dresses or short sleeved blue shirts with grey shorts. For the health and safety of your child, strong, black school shoes are required. For very young children, Velcro is particularly helpful.

### PE

White polo shirt or t-shirt. Navy/black shorts or gym skirt. Black plimsolls. Winter, a plain tracksuit for outdoor games. Children should bring their PE kit into school each week.

The embroidered sweatshirt/cardigan is available from Uniformity in Handbridge [uniformityschools.com](https://www.uniformityschools.com). For children up to the end of year 2, school book bags are available directly from our school office. Older children may use their own choice of school bag.

## School Day

The school day starts at 8:40am – 8:55am with registration and all children have a morning break of fifteen minutes; Years 1 and 2 have an afternoon break as well. Collective Worship takes place daily at varying times throughout the week. The school day ends at 3:10pm for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2; 3:20pm for Years 3 and 4, and 3:30pm for Years 5 and 6. If your normal arrangements have to be altered (e.g. you are delayed or another person is collecting your child) please let us know. We encourage children to walk/cycle/scooter to school and have a storage area which is locked during the school day.

## Clubs and School Parliament

We have a whole range of lunchtime and after school clubs at Upton Heath which are run by staff and outside companies and vary each term. These have included tri-golf, netball, cheerleading, multi skills, cross country, construction, Times Table Rock Star Club, art, ukulele, dance, floral design, drama and indoor athletics. Our School Parliament has an important role in the decisions made at Upton Heath Church of England Primary School. Representatives from each class meet regularly to discuss any issues or concerns that have been brought up by the children in school and to discuss new initiatives and ideas such as fundraising activities.

## Families

Children learn best where there is a successful partnership between parents/carers and school. This partnership is something we promote at Upton Heath in order to nurture children's interest and enjoyment of learning. We believe that home learning should be relevant and purposeful, linked to current programmes of work and designed to enhance, enrich and reinforce learning. We are fortunate at Upton Heath to have a learning mentor who is available to talk if children have a problem that is making it difficult for them to learn at school. Parents and carers can also speak to our learning mentor to get support for their children and families.

## The Arts

We are very fortunate to have a large, dedicated studio for the Performing Arts (drama, music, dance) and we are a 'Shakespeare for Kids' gold school. When in Year 5, all children receive free instrument tuition during the year with additional individual and small-group lessons also available. New for 2023 is our Brass Band!

## Sport

Our aim at Upton Heath is for every child to enjoy and look forward to their two lessons of PE each week enhanced through our strong links with local sports teams. Through PE, your child will develop not only physically but emotionally too with a strong focus on the benefits of exercise for health and wellbeing. We offer a wide variety of sports clubs, with opportunities for your child to enter competitions through their school life. During lunch times, sports coaches provide a timetable of sporting activities that all children can access, with regular intra-school competitions.

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The best thing about Upton Heath Primary is learning with my friends.

**Devlin**

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My favourite thing about school is Maths as it's fun working out the answers. I'm not always right but I try to do my best!

**Henry**





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