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11th March 2022 Newsletter

Dates for the next two weeks in school

Mon 14th March	Tues 15th March	Wed 16th March	Thurs 17th March	Fri 18th March
Week 1 menu				Red Nose day Please wear something red!
Mon 21st March	Tues 22nd March	Wed 23rd March	Thurs 24th March	Fri 25th March
Week 2 <u>menu</u> Tattenhall trip Year 2	Tattenhall trip Yr 2	Tattenhall trip Yr 2		

Please see the clubs letter for details of clubs.

Hoops 4 Health- Cheshire Phoenix

Last Sunday, two teams of Y5/6 children played in a Cheshire Phoenix tournament for schools. Both teams played very well and showed a great command of the game.

After the tournament, we were lucky to be able to stay and watch the Cheshire Phoenix vs Glasgow Rocks game. This was the semi-final for the BBL Trophy. It was a very exciting game which ended with an



impressive win for the Phoenix (115 - 72). We hope they go on to win the final in a few weeks!

Year 3 at Tattenhall

We were very proud of our Year 3 children. They were fantastic ambassadors for Upton Heath during their trip to Tattenhall Education Centre this week. Whilst there, they studied Stone-Age artefacts and used Stone-Age bows and arrows to shoot Manny the woolly mammoth. They learned how to use flint stones to make a fire and how stone-age people ground wheat to make flour. They loved cooking their Stone-Age dough over the fire! Orienteering was great fun and our children were great at reading their maps. They also enjoyed learning how to make things by weaving wet pieces of willow. It was very exciting to stay overnight in a dormitory with all their friends, the food was delicious, the activities were fun and everyone had a lovely time.



Forces in action

Year 5 were learning all about 'forces in action' this week, as they experimented with using a forcemeter to measure the force needed to make various classroom objects move. Great work Year 5!



A brand new millionaire at Upton Heath!

This week we have had our fifth member join the Upton Heath Millionaire's Club! Congratulations to Jack Murphy in Birch class, who has read a million words since September!

Our Accelerated Reader reading programme tracks words that the children read and adds them to their word count once they pass the book's quiz. You can check on your child's current word count by logging into your Home Connect account. We will also be looking to see who our 100% quizzers are so please keep reading!

Jack has received a certificate, a free book of his choice and his photo will be displayed in our Millionaire's Row display area in the library. We wonder who our next Millionaire's Row member will be...!



STARS OF THE WEEK

ACORNS:

Georgia Bradley – for always choosing to do a piece of independent writing and doing an amazing job!

Roman Curran - for his tremendous efforts with his pen control in our morning activities. Well done you!

CONKERS:

Sophia Roberts – for her imagination and creativity in her learning and her unique designs and ideas.

Oscar Rowe – for being so reliable and kind to everyone all the time.

ASH:

Ellis Parkinson - for really applying himself to his writing. **Isla Clegg** - for her marvellous efforts in phonics this week.

YEW:

Freddie Gee – For working so hard on his letter information and producing some lovely handwriting.

Riley Skillen – For applying his phonics knowledge in his reading and writing.

WILLOW:

Sayul Wijekoon - for applying new features to improve his handwriting.

Josie Dunning - for fantastic reading, recalling key events from books she reads.

SYCAMORE:

Joel Dooley - for using lots of adjectives and adverbs in his writing independently.

Myah Thomas - for showing lots of resilience with her work and for trying her hardest in all lessons.

BEECH:

Jesse O'keefe for working hard to include lots of different conjunctions and exciting word choices in his writing independently.

Reggie Tomlin for working hard on the presentation of his work.

HAWTHORN:

The Whole Class

For being completely brilliant at Tattenhall.

JUNIPER:

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LIME:

Oliver Danton - For his clear and informative topic work on Roman Settlements.

Mayumi Wijekoon - for her excellent attitude and efforts in all subjects

HAZEL:

Olivia Stockton for writing an amazing piece of independent writing based on Escape from Pompeii.

Izaac Barnell for writing an amazing piece of independent writing based on Escape from Pompeii

ELM:

Jessica Underwood - for the resilience and determination shown in our swimming lesson.

Jasmine Underwood - for resilience and determination shown in our swimming lesson.

BIRCH:

Brodie- Lee James - for an amazing effort during swimming lessons this week.

Freddie Gee - for always having a positive attitude and working hard.

CHESTNUT:

Grace Widdison – for always being ready and having a great attitude towards her learning

Imogen Aldridge – for her eagerness, enthusiasm and dedication towards her learning.

OAK:

Leo Hyde for excellence in mathematics

Rowan I'Anson for being a positive role model in the girl's football after school club

Mrs Morris' Award for Acts of Kindness: Niamh Mullen, Hazel for thinking about and sharing ideas of how to encourage people to be kind.

Letter from Mr North

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fabulous week we have had at UHPS. Our Year 3 children have had a great time at Tattenhall, huge thanks to the team led by Ms. Hodge for giving up their time and planning some lovely activities for our children to experience.

As you are aware Mrs Beddows continues to be absent from work due to her breaking a bone in her foot, I am pleased to say that she is now in a weight-bearing boot and is now on the mend. You may have noticed some different voices on the phone, but I am pleased to say that Mrs Wood has been able to join us on a supply basis. She will be supporting the office most days along with Mrs Dickinson.

As you are aware our Parent Teacher Association has been struggling to arrange various events to raise funds for additional resources and fun activities for our children and community due to COVID restrictions. As we are in a changing world now, the PTA are looking to recruit members from our families to support them in organising, planning and supporting the school with these events. Cher and Dawn will be at The Wheatsheaf Public House on Tuesday 22nd March at 6:00pm. Cher and her team have done a fabulous job and have raised thousands of pounds to support the school. They will be planning summer fair activities, but really do need more people to support them. If you are able to be at the meeting, please do attend. If you are interested in joining, please do contact Cher on cher.roberts@yahoo.co.uk. We look forward to increasing our band of volunteers. Thank you in advance for your support with this request.

Scooters and bikes:

We do encourage our children to be active and healthy and allow children to come into school on a scooter or bicycle, but we ask that children walk them whilst on site, rather than ride on them. It has been brought to my attention that a child has bumped into another child, whilst riding a scooter, consequently, I am reminding parents, and children, not to ride scooters and bikes, whilst on the school grounds to ensure the safety of all.

Yours faithfully

Conrad North, Headteacher