

# **Upton Meadows Primary**

NORTHAMPTON PRIMARY

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Newsletter Autumn 1
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#### Welcome Back!



It has been fantastic to welcome our children back to school this week and also to see a return to normal in so many of our school

routines. A full and busy lunch hall, small-scale assemblies and freedom on the playgrounds have definitely been a highlight for me! Seeing our new Reception children coming for their visits and many of them having their first mornings at school is always such a privilege and we extend the warmest of welcomes to our new children and their families, be you new to our school or old-timers! All the children across school have been outstanding in their efforts this week and it has been an absolute joy to visit classrooms and see the buzz of learning taking place – we are so looking forward to another full and exciting year!

#### **New School Values**

We worked with our staff, children and governors in the summer term to think about what was important to us as a school community and as a result have slightly amended our school values. Our values are now: Respect (our core value), Responsibility, Kindness, Courage, Perseverance, Honesty and Cooperation. We will be exploring these values with the children over the course of the year and thinking about how children can show them at

#### **COURAGE**

The focus value for Term 1 is 'Courage' and we have already spent time with our children this week talking about how they can show courage at school – suggestions have included trying new things, making

school, at home and in the community.

new friends, speaking out when we know something is wrong and owning up to our mistakes. Many of these things are mirrored at home and in the community but trying new things may be more varied (new foods, joining new clubs, going to new places etc) - standing up and doing the right thing despite peer pressure, being confident about what you believe in and challenging adversity are always ways in which courage can be shown. You can enforce our values by recognising when your child shows courage at home and talking with them about ways in which they can show courage.

### **Dates**

# **September**

**17th** Jeans for Genes Day £1 donation

#### **October**

**1st** Year 4 Viking Day

**22nd** End of term

## **COVID Updates**



You should all have received an email earlier about our new COVID processes regarding positive cases – please take a moment to read this carefully so you understand what needs to be done in various situations – if in doubt, please just phone the office and we will help as best as we can.

# **Superstars**

# Well done to all the children who have worked so hard in their first week back at school!

**1AB:** Thea for following class rules and excellent behaviour.

**1KB:** Nharla for having a fabulous start to Year 1.

**2NC:** Adi for putting his hand up and sharing lots of ideas with the class in English.

**2MF:** Riley for showing respect all day, every day.

**3BA:** Miley-Dean for his great focus and engagement in learning.

**3CS:** Malachi for being a superstar this week in all lessons. A great start to Year 3.

**4IH:** Poppy-Mae for settling into Year 4 so well and trying hard to always contribute.

**4JW:** Poppy for being so kind and helpful all week.

**5GH:** Nevaeh for settling really well into Year 5.

**5LJ:** Shelby for her excellent effort in all lessons.

**6GD:** Harvie for an exceptional first week demonstrating the school values.

**6SW:** Jackson for his incredibly descriptive poetic writing.



We are pleased to be taking part in the Morrisons Good to Grow Scheme. For every £10 spent, customers will automatically receive one Grow Token to donate to their chosen school. Tokens will be used for a range of gardening and growing equipment for the school.

Please collect the tokens and bring into school!



#### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

We are very excited to be offering lots of amazing extra-curricular opportunities for our children including

Tag Rugby, Hotshots, Freestyle Football, Computer Coding, Tennis and Choir.



Please look out for further information to sign your child up!



