

Upton Noble Church of England VC Primary School



1st May 2026



HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and successful few weeks here at Upton Noble, with many opportunities for our children to take part in sporting events, enjoy enriching experiences and demonstrate our school values in action.

Just before the Easter holidays, our netball team took part in the Federation Netball Tournament and achieved an excellent second-place finish. The children showed great teamwork, determination and resilience throughout, and we were incredibly proud of how they represented the school.

Our netball team have also recently played two matches against St Aldhelm's Primary School, one at home and one away, again demonstrating great commitment, sportsmanship and respect. This week, a group of pupils also took part in the cross country event at King Arthur's, where determination and excellent sportsmanship were on display throughout. Well done to all involved.

Year 3 and Year 4 also enjoyed a superb trip to the Bath and West Showground to take part in the Field to Food exhibition. This was a really enlightening experience for the children, giving them the opportunity to learn more about food production, farming and where the food we eat comes from. The pupils represented the school superbly throughout the visit and were a credit to Upton Noble.

Finally, today has been our much-anticipated Break the Rules Day, and it is safe to say that many rules have indeed been broken! Thank you so much for your support with this event – it has certainly been a huge hit with the children and has brought lots of smiles and laughter to the school day.

Well done to all of the children who have represented the school this term. We are proud of each and every one of you for the way you continue to embody our school values whenever you take part in events beyond the classroom.

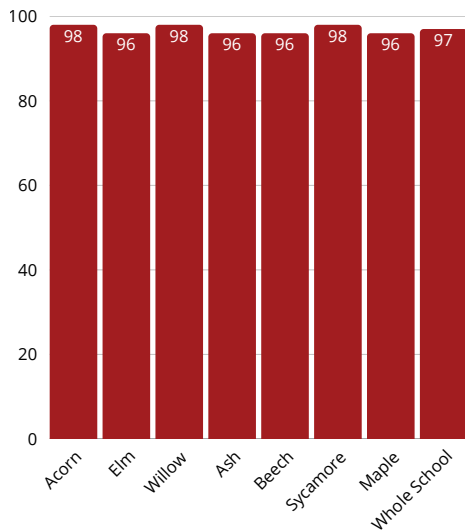
Best wishes,
Mr Oakes and Mrs Bisset

Safeguarding - If you have any concerns about a child the Designated Safeguarding Lead for Upton Noble Primary School is Mr Luke Oakes.

To report a child at risk please contact Children's Social Care – 0300 123 2224
Or contact them via children@somerset.gov.uk

"Let your Light Shine" Matthew 5:16

Attendance - 24-04-2026 - 30-04-26



Attendance Matters at Upton Noble

At Upton Noble, attendance is very important to us and to our pupils. We regularly monitor attendance to ensure every child is thriving.

Arriving late can mean missing key learning at the start of the day. Please note that after registration closes at 9.05am, any arrival is recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children develop positive routines and achieve their very best. Supportive attendance meetings are put in place for pupils whose attendance is classified as persistently absent

Reminders

Medication in School

We would like to remind families that children must not bring medication into school themselves. This is an important part of our procedures to help ensure the safety of all pupils.

If your child needs medication during the school day, this must be brought to the school office by a parent or carer. The appropriate paperwork must also be completed at the time of drop-off so that we have clear instructions and accurate records. On occasions, we may also request parental support to administer medication during the school day.

VACANCIES

After School Club Assistant - Ditcheat

<https://www.ditcheatprimary.org.uk/vacancies-1/>

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Acorn Class have been embracing their London topic!



Fun in the sun!
Willow Class enjoyed looking for objects in the school grounds that are living, dead, and have never been alive.

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Beech and Ash Class had a brilliant time at the Field to Food event at the Bath and West.



Sycamore Class have been using Micro:bit to create various images, display letters and even games! They had great fun when being introduced to these and were able to spot similarities with other computing skills, including the 'scratch' programme.

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Sports

London Mini Marathon

What a day!

On the first Saturday of term, twenty children made their way to London to run in the mini marathon. Conditions were perfect and there was a real sense of excitement when two of the current Gladiators, Nitro and Fury arrived to warm us up. The children ran exceptionally well and as always were excellent ambassadors for the school. Well done to everyone who took part.



Cross Country

The final cross country races of the term took place at King Arthur's School on Wednesday. All the children ran extremely well and we had some fabulous results. Our Year 3/4 Girls' Team were fourth, our Year 3/4 Boys' Team came second, the Year 5 Boys' Team were third and our Year 5 Girls' came first. As a result of these fantastic placings we ended up as the overall winners - a fantastic end to a hugely successful year of cross-country running.

Netball

Over the past two weeks we have had netball matches against St. Aldhelms Primary School. The first match involved all the children who have been part of netball club this year and the second fixture was just for Years 5 and 6.

Both fixtures were friendly and competitive and demonstrated the excellent way that our children play netball. Congratulations to all who were involved.



A huge well done to Flo who completed a charity abseil down Alfred's Tower at the weekend.

She raised over £400 for SOS Africa who support the education and care of disadvantaged young children in South Africa.

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