




Induction evening  
Tuesday 1 July at 7pm

Induction day  
Wednesday 2 July  
08.45 – 2.30pm

Day 1 (2025 -32)  
Wednesday 3 September  
08.45 – 3.45pm





**Year 7  
Induction Evening  
01.07.2025**



# Inspiring Young People



Welcome

Mrs Gaunt (Headmistress)

Outline of the evening

Mr McAleese (Deputy Headteacher, Ethos & Personal Development)

Presentations

Our Head Girl & a Year 7 student

Induction booklet

Mr McAleese (Deputy Headteacher, Ethos & Personal Development)

SEND

Miss Etheridge (SENCO)

Music for Life

Debbie Grierson

Parents and Friends of Upton

Mrs Paula Bescond (Parents and Friends of Upton Hall)

Curriculum information

Ms Murphy (Deputy Headteacher, Curriculum)

Pastoral overview

Mrs Jones (Head of Year 7)



## Year 7 Pastoral team

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# Inspiring Young People

ALLOCATED PLACE FOR YEAR 7 - 2025

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## Allocated Place for Year 7 - 2025

Dear Parents

We are delighted your daughter has been offered a place at Upton Hall School for September 2025 and we congratulate her on her success. This marks the beginning of an exciting and challenging phase in both her education and her personal development.

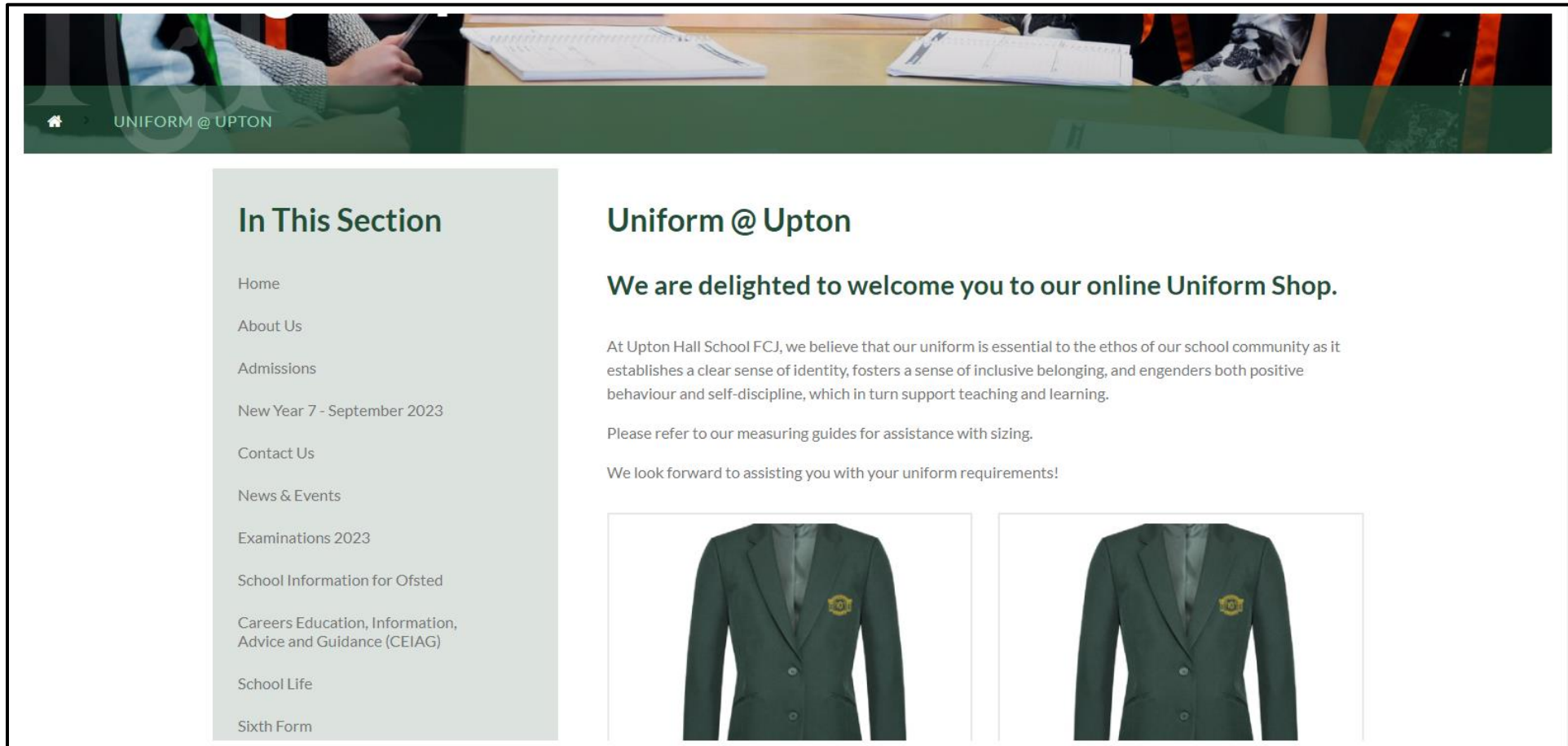
We will be sending out further communication in the coming weeks.

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Yours sincerely

Mrs A Gaunt

## Website / uniform orders



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## Uniform @ Upton

**We are delighted to welcome you to our online Uniform Shop.**

At Upton Hall School FCJ, we believe that our uniform is essential to the ethos of our school community as it establishes a clear sense of identity, fosters a sense of inclusive belonging, and engenders both positive behaviour and self-discipline, which in turn support teaching and learning.

Please refer to our measuring guides for assistance with sizing.

We look forward to assisting you with your uniform requirements!



### Collection dates from our school reception:

- Wednesday 23 July to Thursday 24 July 2025 between 10am and 12noon
- Wednesday 6 August to Friday 8 August 2025 between 10am and 12noon
- Wednesday 27 August to Friday 29 August 2025 between 10am and 12noon



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Young People*



14 May	Welcome letter to parents from Mrs Gaunt and Mr McAleese
20 May	Year 7 2025 Welcome information from Mrs Gaunt and Mr McAleese
21 May	Questionnaire - Future Uptonian 2025
3 June	Primary school visits started (range of staff across our school)
24 June	Uniform Sale
26 June	Letter – Spanish visit (June 2026)
1 July	Induction Evening
2 July	Induction Day
TBC	Maths, English & Science transition information

# Induction day ~ 2 July 2025

- Main hall
  - arrive for 8.45 start / collect from main hall at 2.30pm
- Primary school uniform
- Groups for the induction day
- Experience lessons and dining room
- Meet some of our students and staff
- Familiarisation with our school site



# School Mass ~ Liverpool Cathedral

*Saturday 8 November 2025 at 11am*



“Parents are regularly invited to school liturgies and attend in significant numbers. Parents say they value this, especially the annual school Mass at the cathedral.” (*Catholic Schools Inspection, May 2025*).

# Y7 Trip to El Puerto de Santa María, Cádiz, Andalucía, Spain



5-9 June 2026



- This trip will culminate a whole year of learning Spanish and the girls will be confident to use their Spanish to communicate with people in different contexts and situations while in Spain. Additionally, they will attend Spanish lessons and cultural activities aimed to improve their speaking skills and knowledge of the culture.
- Deadline for expression of interest – 5pm on 4 July 2025.

# Inclusion Team

- SENDCO Miss Etheridge  
[petheridge@uptonhall.org](mailto:petheridge@uptonhall.org) or [senco@uptonhall.org](mailto:senco@uptonhall.org)
- Inclusion Support: Mrs Call  
[jcall@uptonhall.org](mailto:jcall@uptonhall.org)
- Assistant Headteacher: DSL & Mental Health Lead: Mr Jones  
[pjones@uptonhall.org](mailto:pjones@uptonhall.org)





# Inclusion Support

Here at Upton Hall School, our ambition is to ensure that all students including students with SEN, access a full and balanced curriculum within a **nurturing and supportive environment**.

The expectation is that **all students are in all lessons at all times** so that they may access an ambitious and academically challenging curriculum that provides preparation for life.

To do this we use a **graduated approach** that begins in the classroom with high quality teaching and when appropriate, will progress to the involvement of external agencies to support individual needs.



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## ENGAGE



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parentsandfriendsofuptonhall



friendsofuptonhall@hotmail.com

**SHOP NOW AVAILABLE**

# UPTCYCLE

Good quality, great value, environmentally friendly, pre loved uniforms available to buy

- Visit the Uptcycle store
- Place your order and pay online
- Collect your order from school reception



<https://friends-of-upton-hall.sumupstore.com>



Support  
Upton Hall School FCJ  
easyfundraising.com



Support our school when booking  
your holiday essentials



**CHARLOTTE TILBURY  
MASTERCLASS**

Date TBC

# Y7 CHILLI, CHAT & QUIZ



OCTOBER



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER

# Christmas Market!

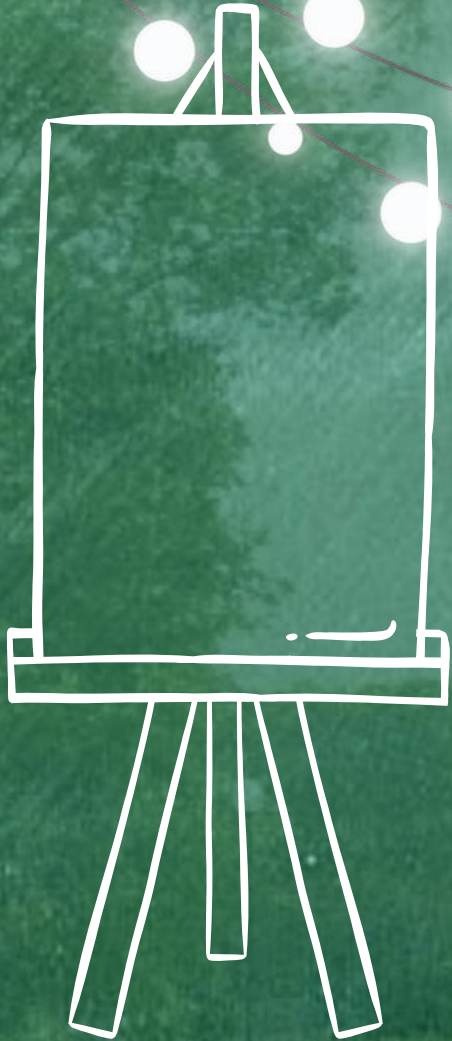
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NOVEMBER



**PAINT & PROSECCO**



**DECEMBER**

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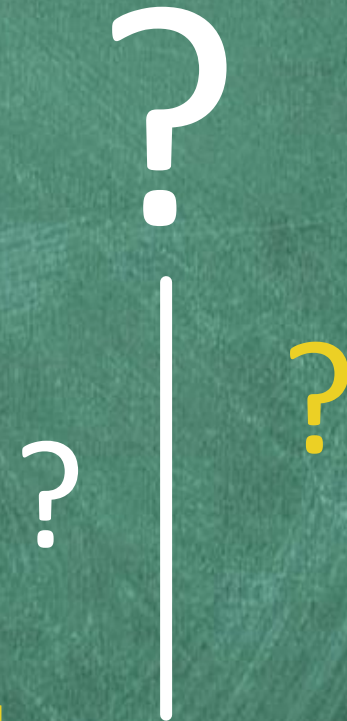


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CAN YOU HELP

Please complete the form



for more information email  
[friendsofuptonhall@hotmail.com](mailto:friendsofuptonhall@hotmail.com)

# An ambitious curriculum

In Year 7 many classes are taught in registration groups. In the technology subjects, the pupils are split into smaller groups to allow more individual attention. The year 7 curriculum is split up as follows:

Subject	Lessons per fortnight*	Subject	Lessons per fortnight
English	7	Spanish or French*	6
Maths	7	Mandarin Chinese	2
Science	6	Music	2
Religious Education	6	Drama	1
History	4	Here I am	1
Geography	4	Physical Education	4
Art	2	Form time/PHSE	4
Design Technology/Cooking & Nutrition (carousel)	2		
Computing	2		

## Homework Timetable 2022-23: 7U

### Week A

<b>Monday</b>	DT/PD	English	Music
<b>Tuesday</b>	Maths	Science	History
<b>Wednesday</b>	RE	Art	English
<b>Thursday</b>	Geography	French	Mandarin
<b>Friday</b>	Computer Science	Maths	French







### Week B

<b>Monday</b>	Science	Art	English	
<b>Tuesday</b>	DT	Here I Am	Mandarin	Maths
<b>Wednesday</b>	Maths	Drama	Music	
<b>Thursday</b>	RE	Computer Science	History	English
<b>Friday</b>	Maths	Geography	French	

# The Curriculum Booklet

## Religious Education

Students will follow the newly published Religious Education Curriculum Directory. Students will explore 6 topics in Year 7. Each topic will enrich students' religious knowledge will aid their development of key literacy, evaluation and analytical skills. The Year 7 curriculum also enables students to understand, discern and respond to a range of important questions related to their own spiritual development, the development of values and attitudes and fundamental questions concerning the meaning and purpose of religious life.

	Content to be studied	Method of assessment
<b>Autumn 1</b> Introduction unit & Creation and Covenant 	During this term students will complete a brief introductory unit and then begin examining 'Creation and Covenant'. This unit focuses on the God who creates and calls a people, looking at concepts such as God, creation, The Fall and covenant. These topics will be examined through a variety of different religious lenses.	This half term a baseline assessment is given to all students to establish their prior understanding of religious concepts.
<b>Autumn 2</b> Prophecy and Promise 	This unit focuses on God's promise and its fulfilment, looking at concepts such as prophecy, annunciation, nativity and Mary Mother of God. These topics will be examined through a variety of different religious lenses.	Formative assessment and class tests are used to assess progress this half term.
<b>Spring 1</b> Galilee to Jerusalem 	. This unit focuses on The Word becoming flesh and dwelling among us, looking at concepts such as Incarnation, The Reign of God and Sacrament of the Sick. These topics will be examined through a variety of different religious lenses.	Formative assessment and class tests are used to assess progress this half term.
<b>Spring 2</b> Desert to Garden 	This unit focuses on Jesus' life, death and resurrection, looking at concepts such as salvation, grace, eucharist and reconciliation. These topics will be examined through a variety of different religious lenses.	Formative assessment and class tests are used to assess progress this half term.
<b>Summer 1</b> To the ends of the Earth 	This unit focuses on Jesus' command to 'Go, and make disciples', looking at concepts such as The Holy Spirit, The Church, Sacraments and discipleship. These topics will be examined through a variety of different religious lenses	Formative assessment and class tests are used to assess progress this half term.
<b>Summer 2</b> Dialogue and Encounter 	This unit focuses In-depth study of a Christian tradition other than Catholicism (e.g. Anglicanism, Protestantism, Orthodoxy) and religions that have diverged from Trinitarian Christianity (e.g. Unitarians, Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses)	End of year assessment

### How will I know if my daughter is achieving this?

Work is assessed in Religious Education throughout the year and through various methods. The assessment style used in Key Stage Three (Years 7-9) is in line with the criteria for assessment outlined by the Diocese of Shrewsbury.

An initial assessment which students are not expected to prepare for is used to establish their prior learning and knowledge in the first half term of the year. Summative assessments are conducted at key points throughout the year and teachers will use formative assessment to ensure students' clarity of understanding and progress.

Students are given progress books in Year 7 which track their progress throughout Key Stage Three and allows students, parents and teachers to see the learning journey the student has undertaken throughout Years 7,8 and 9.

### How can I help my daughter?

Students are given a learning program which outlines each area covered in a specific module. This allows students and parents to clearly see the information students should have gained an understanding of during Religious Education lessons.

Websites which may aid students to consolidate or extend their learning include:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/>

<https://cafod.org.uk/>

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/>

Shrewsbury Diocese can also be followed on twitter: @ShrewsRCnews

Students may wish to join Pope Francis' 18 million followers on twitter: @Pontifex

### Enrichment opportunities

There are multiple opportunities for Key stage three students to take their learning beyond the classroom:

- Glue club in held within the department which stands for God, Life, Universe and Everything. This is an opportunity for students to discuss big philosophical and ethical questions.
- Students are invited to participate in a pilgrimage to Lourdes
- Students get the opportunity to participate in a multi-faith day which involves the opportunity to speak with members of different faith communities

What will feedback look like at Upton Hall and what do I need to do to make the most of it?

Verbal feedback: your teacher will speak to you as an individual or in groups to give you advice about how to improve. Make sure you listen and act on this advice

Self assessment: your teacher will sometimes give you criteria so you can check your work yourself. Getting good at checking and noticing gaps in your learning is an important part of being an independent learner

Written marking: your teacher may give you comments to help you to improve learning. Make sure you read them and speak to your teacher about them if you don't understand.

feedback

Peer Assessment: sometimes your teacher will ask you to look give feedback to peers. This is a good chance to learn from each other, to give helpful advice and to celebrate each others' work

Feedback lessons or tasks  
Your teacher may set you specific tasks to complete to help you to improve an aspect of your knowledge. Make sure you take care with these tasks as they will help you avoid mistakes

What I won't see: feedback on every piece of work or ticks on every page

# Getting off to a flying start: reading over the summer

- Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success at GCSE. It builds a capacity for concentration and enlarges vocabulary.
- Research at the University of Liverpool found that readers are 21 per cent less likely to report feelings of depression and 10 per cent more likely to report good self-esteem than non-readers.
- 'People who read books regularly are on average more satisfied with life, happier, and more likely to feel the things they do in life are worthwhile.'

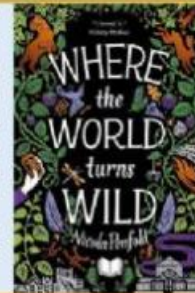
## Addictive Reads



## Featured Books



Most parents try to limit their kids' online exposure. But not Eva's. Her parents run a YouTube channel, and Eva is the star of the show. But Eva is sick of being made to pose in stupid mum-and-daughter matching outfits for sponsored posts. And when an intensely humiliating "period party" post goes viral, Eva is outraged. She's going to stop the channel, even if she has to sabotage it herself.



Juniper Greene lives in a walled city from which nature has been banished, following the outbreak of a deadly man-made disease many years earlier. While most people seem content to live in such a cage, she and her little brother Bear have always known about their resistance to the disease, and dream of escaping into the wild. To the one place humans have survived outside of cities. To where their mother is.

## Quick Reads



## Future Classics/ Classics





## Year 7 Pastoral team

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Day One ~ Wednesday 3 September 2025



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This is a new year. A  
new beginning. And  
things will change.

TAYLOR SWIFT



“Upton Hall is a joyful Catholic community: the school’s ethos, and the values of the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) are celebrated, embraced and lived in every aspect of life. Upton Hall is forming young women to have the skills, knowledge, compassion and faith to make the world a better place.” *(Catholic Schools’ Inspection, May 2025).*

## Welcome letter ~ 14 May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted your daughter has been offered a place at Upton Hall School for September 2025 and I congratulate her on her success. This marks the beginning of an exciting and challenging phase in both her education and her personal development.

At this time of year, we begin our transition arrangements. This will entail a member of Upton's staff visiting your daughter's primary school and talking to her class teacher and to her. It is an opportunity for your daughter to meet a friendly Upton face and she will also get the opportunity to tell us a little bit about herself and the subjects that she currently studies. Her teachers will also tell us anything that we specifically need to know about your daughter from an educational point of view. All of this information helps to ensure that the transition from primary to secondary school is a very smooth and happy one.

As well as primary visits we will also get 2 other opportunities to meet your daughter, at the induction day and the induction evening, both of which will take place on the 1/2 July. It is also our first opportunity to talk to you as new Upton parents/carers.

I know your daughter will be very excited at the prospect of buying her new uniform. Four years ago, we took the decision to move all uniform supply in house. We made some changes to the uniform and we went to great lengths to secure the best quality clothing which would last and withstand the wear and tear of being worn every day. After seeing it being worn for 4 years now, we are delighted with what we have. You will be pleased to hear that this will be offered to parents at very competitive prices. There will be a uniform sale at Upton Hall on 24 and 25 June from 4.00pm-6.30pm on both days. Further details regarding the purchase of items will be sent to you with the welcome pack in due course.

At all FCJ schools, parents are seen as co-educators of your children. I look forward to the seven-year relationship on which we will shortly embark and to seeing your daughter becoming a valued member of the worldwide FCJ community.

Yours sincerely

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is 'A Gaunt' and the second is 'Paul McAleese'. Both are written in a cursive style.

Mrs A Gaunt Mr P McAleese

HEADMISTRESS DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

# Welcome Pack ~ 20 May 2025



20 May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

**Re: Year 7 September 2025 – Welcome Pack**

To help you and your daughter prepare for September we have a tried and tested Induction Programme which begins with this Welcome Pack containing vital information and documentation attached.

**Home School Agreement.** A good starting point in setting out how we want to work with parents to support our new pupils is our Home School Agreement (document 1), which sets out how School, Parents and Pupils can contribute to the happiness and success of our pupils. We ask you to discuss this with your daughter

Please confirm you understand the Home School agreement before **27 June 2025** and confirm this by completing this form: <https://forms.office.com/e/1KX4qKKep4>

**Uniform.** Information about our uniform can be found on our school website ([Upton Hall School - Uniform @ Upton](#)), where it can be ordered. We are also hosting our annual Year 7 Uniform Sale on Tuesday 24 June and Wednesday 25 June from 4:00 to 6:30pm. Please see document 2 to book your one slot per family.

**Dining.** As a Healthy School, the food served in our Dining Room each day provides girls with a balanced diet. We have the "Main Event" which serves a range of hot dishes as well as our own "Pasta Cart". Our Deli-bar serves salads, sandwiches and wraps as well as a range of other light dishes such as baked potatoes and paninis. We have Special Theme Days, Indoor BBQs and Daily Specials. However, if you prefer, your daughter may bring in a packed lunch.

Payment in the Dining Room is made using a biometric system which involves the use of a finger pad. The system is cashless and efficient. Scopay can be accessed via the link on our website or via the Scopay App which can be downloaded for your mobile device. You may also give your daughter cash which should be placed in the secure box behind Reception.

**Scopay.** Payment for trips, books and any purchases from the Dining Room should be made using our on-line system called SCOPAY. A set meal currently costs £4.50 a day and she might also need money for break-time and breakfast club if she arrives early. It is up to you how much money you top-up on your daughter's lunch account. A separate email containing specific log in details for your daughter will be issued at a later date.

**Locker.** As part of the Year 7 starter pack, your daughter will have the use of a locker during year 7, after which there will be a yearly charge. However, parents are requested to provide a suitable padlock to keep all belongings secure. We recommend a key padlock with a large loop rather than a combination padlock.

**Absence.** If your daughter is unwell and cannot attend school, please email [attendance@uptonhall.org](mailto:attendance@uptonhall.org) by 8.30am or alternatively call the absence line 0151 641 8133. This is also to be used to advise us of future medical or dental appointments.

For all other queries please email [yearseven@uptonhall.org](mailto:yearseven@uptonhall.org)

**Induction Evening for new pupils and parents: Tuesday 1 July, 7.00pm Sports' Hall**

Our Information Evening for you and your daughter will take place on **Tuesday 1 July** at 7.00pm in the school Sports' Hall. You will have the opportunity to meet some of the Form Teachers, Mrs Jones (Head of Year), and senior members of staff. Every effort will be made to ensure that we answer your questions and give you the information you need to help your daughter make a smooth transition from Primary to Secondary School. Please enter the school grounds via the main gates on the corner of Saughall Massie Lane and you will find the Sports Hall on your left as you head towards the playing fields.

**Induction Day for new pupils: Wednesday 2 July, 08.45am to 3.30pm**

On **Wednesday 2 July** your daughter is invited to Upton Hall to sample some lessons, meet the other girls who will begin Year 7 in September and have a look around the school. Your daughter may arrive at the School Assembly Hall from 8.15am but must be in school by 8.45am at the latest. You may bring your daughter into school through the entrance at the crossroads at Upton Village. Senior prefects will meet you at the main pedestrian access at Upton crossroads. A drink will be provided at break-time but please provide £4.50 (in coins) to purchase lunch or your daughter can bring her own packed lunch.

Your daughter does not need to wear uniform but suitable clothing and sensible footwear are expected. Most pupils choose to wear the uniform of their primary school on this day. A notepad and writing equipment will be required. You are asked to collect your daughter from the lodge (by the traffic lights) at 2.30pm.

Even though we have students coming from 70 different primary schools, we hope to visit every child at their primary school between now and Friday 18 July. We are very much looking forward to meeting them.

We at Upton Hall School do our utmost to reduce our paper usage in order to save the environment, however if you require a paper version of these documents please contact the School Secretary, Mrs Stocker, [cstocker@uptonhall.org](mailto:cstocker@uptonhall.org)

Although the meeting for parents and the Induction Day for new pupils seems a long way off and there are still many things to be achieved at Primary School, I want you and your daughter to know that we are looking forward to working in partnership with you to secure her success over the next seven years of their education.

I look forward to meeting you in July.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Gaunt & Mr P McAleese  
HEADMISTRESS & DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

# Scopay letter ~ July 2025 – 30 June 2025



30 June 2025

Parent/Carer of: xxx

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Dear Parent

## Confidential Online Payment Access Information

At Upton Hall School we have a highly successful online payment facility, **Scopay** which allows parents to make payments to school using the Internet. The benefits include allowing parents to check balances for dinner money and trips and the facility to make payments without the inconvenience of finding cash or writing a cheque. There is also a new mobile app that can be downloaded from your relevant app store.

Please use the following Pupil Link Code to create your online account following the instructions below:

**Online Link Code for PUPILS NAME: 161234:5b7e83f72X**

1. Go to [www.scopay.com/uptonhall](http://www.scopay.com/uptonhall).
2. Click on **Register as a new user**.
3. Enter your **Email address and a Password**.
4. Confirm the **Password**.
5. Enter the **Pupil Link Code** provided above.
6. Enter the rest of the billing details to match your **debit card** and click on **Confirm**.
7. Log on to your email account and click on the link to activate the account (if the email doesn't appear in your Inbox, you should check your Junk Email folder).

## Link New Pupils/Siblings to an existing account:

If, on first login, any sibling accounts cannot be displayed, you will need to link the sibling accounts, as follows:  
At the top of the screen, click on **Your Account**.

1. Click on **Link accounts**.
2. Enter the **Pupil link code** for the sibling provided by school.
3. Click on **Link accounts**.
4. You will now be able to make payments for any linked pupil accounts.

If you need further help using the Internet Payments system or require a second code, please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Gaunt  
Headmistress