

UPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer,

THREE interesting events are happening at Upton connected with reading and writing.

First, we are taking part in a READATHON. This is the website link. www.readathon.org

Your child will come home with a sponsor form and the aim will be to read as many books as possible- these can include home-school reading books. The READATHON is from:



Kids in school reading to help kids in hospital

Monday 19th September until Friday 11th November

Sponsor money can be given online to READATHON where it will be attached to the Upton School account or sent in to the school. The charity is for sick children in hospitals to have access to story-tellers and books

Next, we are celebrating the Roald Dahl Centenary by dressing-up as a character from a Roald Dahl book on <u>Monday 10th October</u>. This coincides with being the penultimate week of the whole school studying a Roald Dahl text and a theatre group called 'Lost and Found', presenting an assembly on Roald Dahl as well as workshops with classes.

http://www.roalddahl.com/charity/fundraising-and-events/dahlicious-dress-up-day/dressing-up-tips/costumes-for-grown-ups

This is the site which gives you lots of simple ways to dress up as a character. You may notice that the 'Dahlicious Dressing-Up Day' is linked to a charity fund-raising but we will not be taking part in this as we are involved with a similar charity in the READATHON.



The third event is a visit from the author Ciaran Murtagh. This will happen on <u>Wednesday 12th October</u>. His site is <u>www.ciaranmurtagh.com</u> and the children have been told about him. There is a book-signing after school so if you wish to purchase one of his books at £5.99 there will be an information sheet handed out nearer the time.

Regards

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