

Offenham C E First School

Newsletter - 12th April 2024

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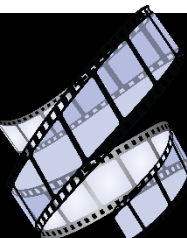
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Movie Night

**Don't forget Movie Night tonight.
5.30 drop-off and 7.15 pick-up.**

**PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD WITH A
DRINKS BOTTLE, this will discourage spills.**



Coming up...



**Tonight – Movie Night
Monday – Extra Swim session
Friday – Wear something Maths themed
Friday evening – PTA Bingo night**

Parent Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who filled in this survey. The results were so very positive – a copy of the results will be sent via email. Thank you too for your comments and suggestions. We are grateful for your continued support.



One of the suggestions coming from a couple of you was around the variety of clubs on offer. It would be lovely to offer more clubs but capacity is an issue in a small school and our experience with outside agencies hasn't always been positive. It would be lovely to use some of the skills and hobbies of our parent and wider family body to help extend our offer. If you, or a family member are able to offer your time, on a weekly basis, we'd be more than happy to welcome you – subject to a clear DBS.

Clubs could include - sewing, crocheting, knitting, crafting, engineering, cricket, football, rugby, netball, hockey, running, jigsaw and puzzles, chess, maths, creative writing, reading, science... the list is endless.

★ **Wake up Wednesday** - Make sure to take a look at the 'Wake-up Wednesday' article being sent out via email. ★
This week the subject is "Township".

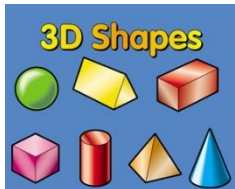


Peacemakers

This week, in our assembly time, we started looking at some teaching of Jesus found in the Beatitudes, or as we like to call them, 'The Be-heartitudes'. I encouraged children to think about their attitude and character – am I a peacemaker? I asked anyone interested in becoming a 'Playground Peacemaker' to write me a letter outlining why they should be considered for one of these roles. I have been so encouraged by the responses I already received. The last day to submit a letter to me is Monday 15th.

Refurbishment of our shelter

Darcey, our health and well-being minister, has planned a 'refurb' of our shelter and is wanting to transform it into a place of well-being; a welcoming place to relax at playtime. She shared her ideas in our assembly this morning and we are all looking forward to her setting it up. Your child will be bringing home a triangle of paper which can be used to create a design that will aid well-being and relaxation. The triangle, designed by your child, will be added to a collaborative bunting for the shelter.



This week in Avon Class...

This week, we have been doing lots of fun things in our maths lessons.

Reception children have been learning about 3D shapes. We read the story of Rapunzel and had to decide which shapes would be best to build her tower. We discussed whether the faces of the shapes would create a stable tower.



Year one children have been learning about capacity. The children loved completing practical experiments to see which container held the most.



We spoke a lot about this question -
do tall containers always hold the most?
What do you think?



Darcey's Health and Well-being Box

Here are Darcey's tips for the week from 'Action for happiness'.

This month is **ACTIVE APRIL**.

8 Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh

9 Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise

10 Have a day with less screen time and more movement

11 Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge

12 Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside

13 Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time

14 Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation

HATS & COATS in SCHOOL. Please make sure that your child has a coat in school every day regardless of the weather in the morning.



REMINDER – SCHOOL MEALS

School meals must be ordered on ParentPay by Thursday of the week before. **ANY ORDERS LATER THAN THAT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.**



Thank you for all your 'rainbow' donations yesterday - your generosity is much appreciated.

Thought of the Week

"PEACE
BEGINS
WITH A
SMILE."

— MOTHER TERESA

Please read attached e-mail from
Worcestershire Children First.



Attendance

Avon -91.8% Malvern -93.8%
Cotswold -95.8% Severn -95.2%
Overall-94.2%



SCHOOL DIARY DATES



Friday 19th April – Maths Day (wear something maths themed)
Monday 6th May – May Day
HALF TERM – 27th May – 31st May
Friday 24th May – Staff Training Day
Friday 19th July – TERM ENDS
Monday 22nd July – Staff Training Day

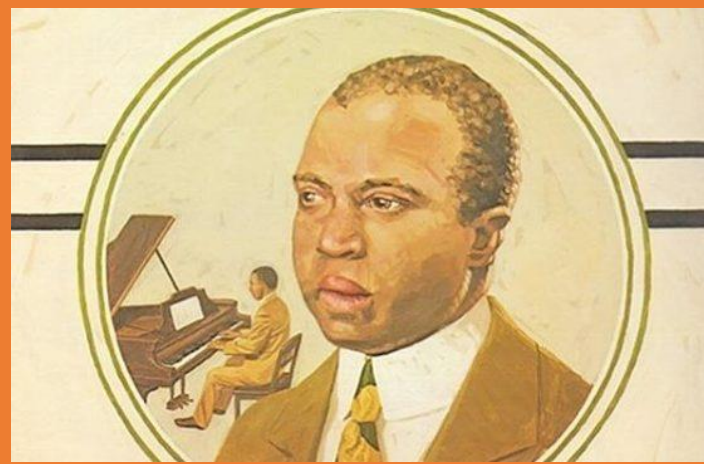


Music Box



This week we've been listening to Scott Joplin's Maple Leaf Rag. You can find it on the link below.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bCxLAr_bwPA



PRIZE BINGO

Friday 19th April, 2024 at Offenham Village Hall
Doors open at 6:00pm | Eyes down at 6:30pm

£5 per adult, £3 per child
(5 rounds plus a bonus stand-up bingo round)

Bingo dabbers (£1) and raffle tickets will be for sale on the night (cash only please)
You're welcome to bring your own drinks & snacks.

Places are limited so please book your space by emailing offenhampta@gmail.com

Childnet – Information for parents about online issues:
<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>

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PTA DIARY DATES

Friday 12th April – Movie Night
Friday 19th April – Family Fun Bingo Evening
Friday 10th May – Non-uniform day (jar)
Sat. 18th May – Brass on the Grass with Avonbank Brass Band
Friday 21st June – Non-uniform day (cake)
Sunday 23rd June – Summer Fayre
TBC July – Teddy Bear's Picnic for new starters

