



Offenham C E First School Newsletter – 19th May 2023

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'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'

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JUST A REMINDER – Monday 5th June will be a teacher training day and children are not required to be at school that day.



SPORTS DAY



Sports day will take place next Wednesday.

Gates will open at 11.50am and children will join you outside for their picnic at 12pm.

You can either bring a picnic for your child/children or send it in with them in the morning – we have cancelled and credited any lunch orders placed.

If you are unable to make the picnic send them into school with a lunchbox and they will picnic in a group supervised by our school staff.

Races will start at 1.15pm

Please wear your child's house colours.

There will be races for Parents and Toddlers as well as our special Leavers' Race.

Children will come to school in their normal PE kit - we have coloured bibs for children to wear.



We look forward to welcoming you all next week.

Let's hope we have some good weather!



A massive thank you to Mrs Whitby and her PTA team who managed to put on such a fantastic Spring Fayre. Thank you to all of you parents for your donations, help and support towards this special day. We hope you all enjoyed it. The PTA will announce how much they have raised next week.

What are your children saying online?



Most games now include some form of chat facility; this can be via a headset or via a messaging feature within the game. It is very easy within these chats to behave in a way that children wouldn't if they were face to face with each other e.g. it is easier to call another child a nasty name via a screen than to say it to their face. These type of incidents can quickly escalate as online environments are often unsupervised so whereas an incident of name calling on the playground is quickly brought to the attention of a member of staff this doesn't happen in an online environment. Talk to your children about how they are speaking to their friends online. Sit with them while

they are playing the game to see how your child chats with others, is it always appropriate? Explain to them what to do if they are called a nasty name, how should they respond and what they can do if a situation escalates.

WooHoo!

Malvern SATs week



This week has been very busy in Malvern class! Year 2 have been working hard all year and have finally completed their end of key stage tests! Mrs Bindley and myself are so proud of how well the children have done this week and have blown our socks off with their calmness and resilience.

As a treat, Year 2 are having an end of SATs party and we are celebrating all of our successes. During the SATs tests, Year 1 have been with Miss Ree, who has been very impressed with their behaviour and quality of work. Well done Malvern class!



DIARY DATES



Wednesday 24th May Sports Day
Thursday 25th May Y4 & Y5 trip to Houses of Parliament
Friday 26th May Reserve Sports Day
HALF TERM..... 29th May - 2nd June
Monday 5th June..... TED Day
Wednesday 7th June - 9th June Y4 and Y5 trip to Whitemoor Lakes
Saturday 10th June Wake Day
Monday 12th June Y5 Bell Boating
Wednesday 28th June Move Up Day
Friday 30th June (after celebration assembly) Tea and Talk
Friday 14th July Fun Evening & Camp over
Monday 17th July Hearing Test for Reception children
TERM ENDS Friday 21st July



DIARY DATES



PTA DIARY DATES

June
24th - Night at the Proms

Don't forget to follow Offenham First School Information Page on Facebook for more information.

SPRING FAYRE - AUCTION OF PROMISES

A reminder to place your bids *before 5pm this Saturday 20th*. There won't be any time added if you're outbid at the last minute, so make sure you enter the highest you'd be willing to pay so you don't miss out!

The Lakefest and Dubs in the Middle weekend family camping tickets are both still up for grabs - they are a real bargain if anyone wanted to go!

<https://Auctionofpromises.com/OffenhamPTA> or scan the QR code in the booklet from Saturday.

Auction prizes:

- Lakefest weekend camping ticket
- Dubs in the Middle weekend camping ticket
- Classic Ibiza x 2 tickets
- Pete Bott skip
- Aladdin panto at Cheltenham Playhouse x 4 tickets
- National Space Centre family ticket
- Three Counties Show family ticket
- BBC Good Food Show family ticket
- And for anyone up north, Eureka! family ticket (Halifax)

Good luck!





A Big Thank You

We have been lucky enough to receive sponsorship and prizes from the following companies:

Our Auction Sponsors...

To take part scan the QR Code and place your bid. The auction will end 5pm Saturday 20th May 2023. This is a promise auction so no card details will be taken; if your bid is successful, please get in touch with us to pay.



 	 	
LakeFest - General Festival Ticket with Camping at Eastnor Castle in August (Family Ticket (2 Adults + 2 Under 18s worth £349))	Dubs in the Middle - A family camping ticket for the weekend festival just outside of Evesham in May (worth £150)	Pete Bott Skip hire - local skip hire (worth £140)
		
Classic Ibiza 2 x Tickets to Rayley Hall in July (worth £98)	Cheltenham Playhouse - 4 x tickets to the panto Aladdin on a Saturday in December (worth £85)	National Space Centre - family ticket (worth £67)
		
Eureka - annual family membership (worth £64)	Royal Three Counties Show 2 x adult and 3 x child tickets Sunday 18th June (worth £56)	BBC Good Food Show 2 adult and 3 child tickets Sunday 18th June (worth £54)

Good Luck!

Thought of the Week ...

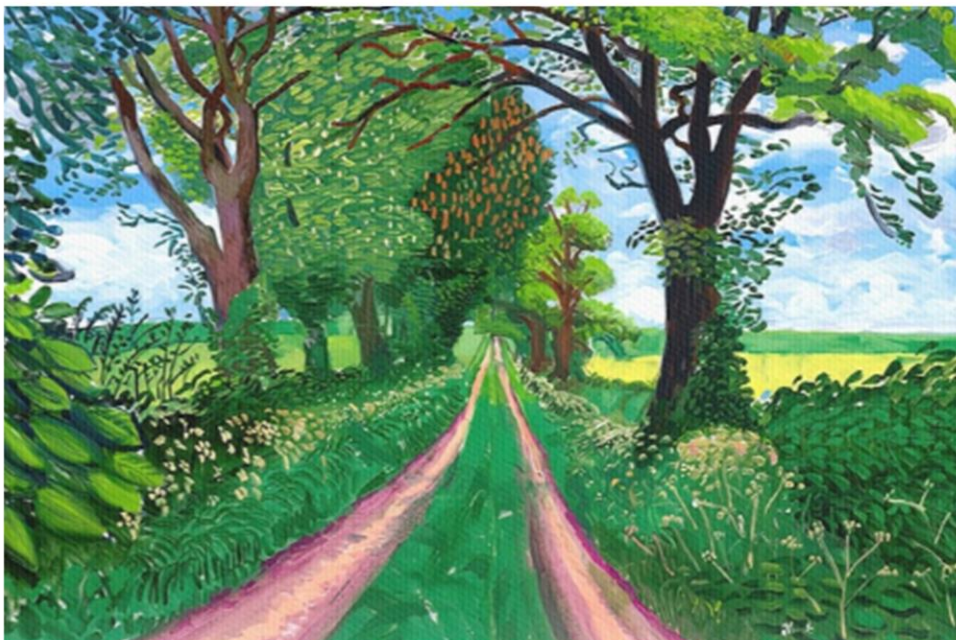
We continue to think about the kingdom of God in our assemblies.

This week we've learned, that in the Kingdom of God:

- 'The hungry are fed'
- 'The weak are strong'
- 'Those who weep will be comforted'

Artbox

Don't you just love this time of year? Here is a painting by David Hockney entitled 'Late Spring Tunnel'. It reflects so well what we see when we look out of our windows and as we travel through the beautiful spaces that surround us. How blessed we are to live in such a wonderful part of the world!



IT'S NOT HOW MUCH WE GIVE, BUT HOW MUCH LOVE WE PUT INTO GIVING.

MOTHER TERESA

Music Box



This week's piece of music from the Carnival of Animals is entitled – The Kangaroos

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=989zGbMav4E>

Did you know that some kangaroos can hop 8 metres in one bound?

REMINDERS



RECYCLING - We have a recycling drop-off point

in our entrance area – you can bring your pens, batteries and empty crisp packets.



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.**

Tea and Talk

The next dates is 30th June.



COATS in SCHOOL

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



Water bottles - Children should bring a water bottle with them each day.

If your child would like juice at lunch time, please send another bottle. **ONLY WATER IN CLASS.**



Move Up Day – Transition Day

This exciting day will take place on June 28th. Here in school, all children will move to their new classes and we will invite the new Reception starters in for a short time into their new class. Children moving to Middle school will attend their new school and details of their day will be sent out to Y5 parents from their next school.



Awards This Week:



Stars of the Week

Avon – Neve

Malvern - Jasper

Cotswold – Carson

Severn – Ellie C

These will be celebrated in next week's celebration assembly.

Birthdays

Birthdays from this week will be celebrated in next week's celebration assembly

Attendance ✓

Avon -96% Malvern -86.9%
Cotswold -88% Severn -97.2%
Overall-92%