

LOVE TRANSFORMATION GROWTH

'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'



Christmas Light Switch On
TONIGHT!
Doors open 5.15pm

Elfridges

On Thursday 8th the PTA are running an 'Elfridges' store in school. If your child brings £2 to school they will be able to select a gift that will be wrapped and they can give it to you as a surprise gift on Christmas Day.

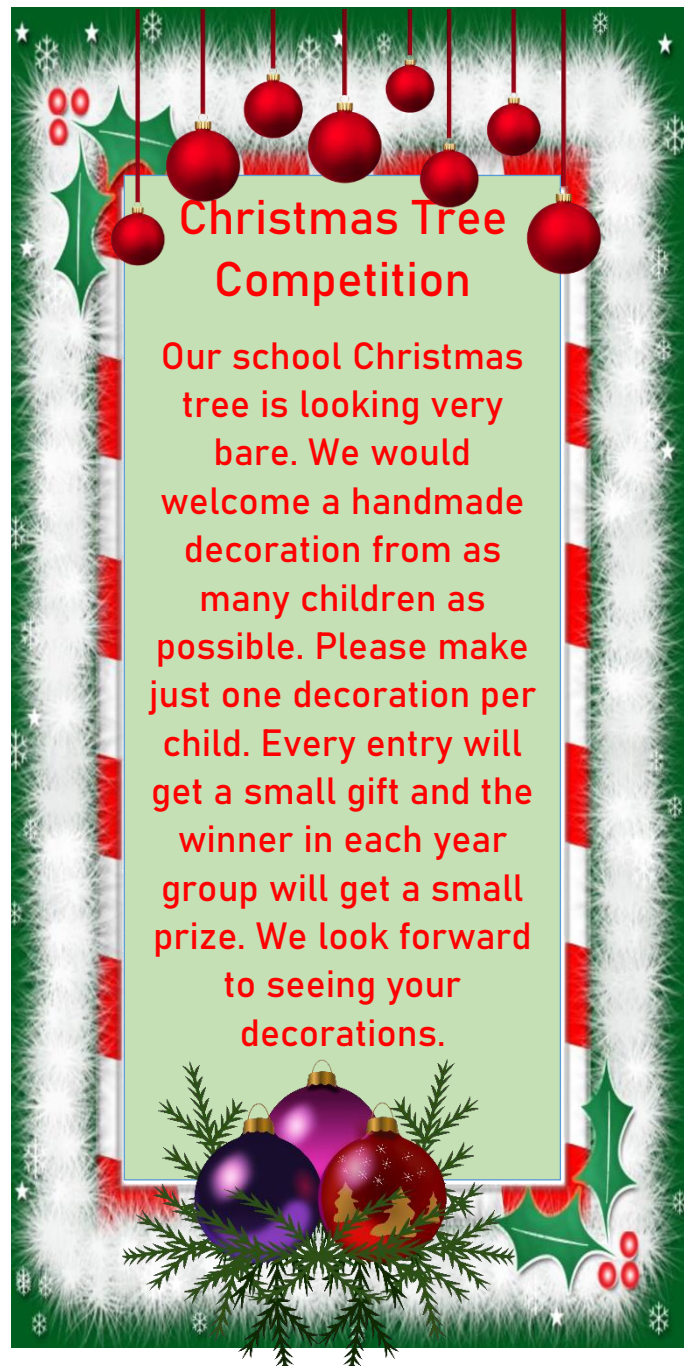
Please put the money in a named envelope.



Teams4U – Shoe Box Appeal.



If you want to support this charity, there are pre-wrapped boxes for your convenience in the reception area with leaflets or you can complete the form online at www.teams4u.com. Filled boxes will need to be returned to school for collection by the charity for **Friday 9th December.**



Christmas Tree Competition

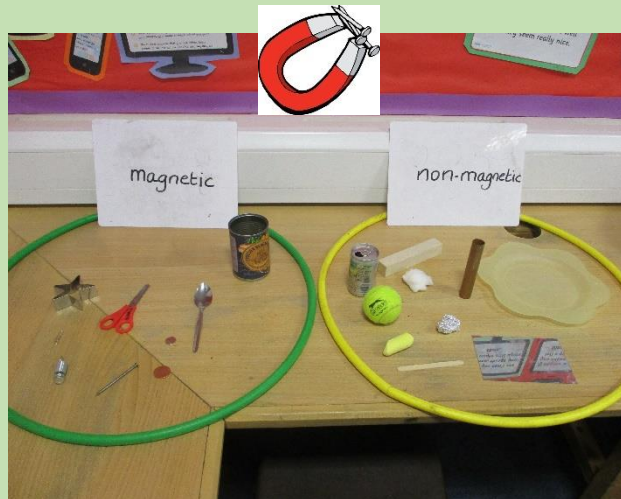
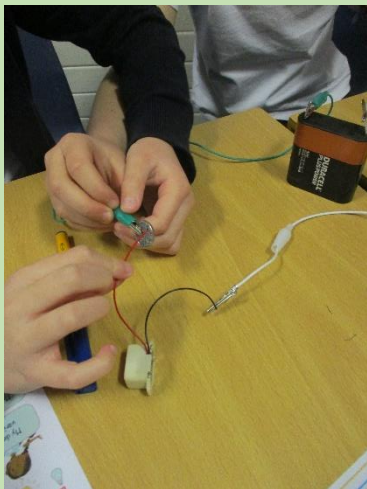
Our school Christmas tree is looking very bare. We would welcome a handmade decoration from as many children as possible. Please make just one decoration per child. Every entry will get a small gift and the winner in each year group will get a small prize. We look forward to seeing your decorations.

This week in Cotswold Class:



In Science this term Year three children have been learning about Electricity. As well as discussions about how to keep safe and researching where electricity comes from, the children have been carrying out their own fair tests to find out what materials conduct/insulate electricity. They have enjoyed making their own circuits with light bulb and buzzers for different purposes.

The Year three children have been exploring forces and exploring how objects move on different surfaces. They have been using magnets to carry out fair test to see if different materials are magnetic. The children were surprised to discover that not all metals are magnetic.



MUSIC BOX -



This week we have been listening to an advent song by Young Oceans as we come into assembly. It is called - 'Come to us Lord'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vloLdlADoY>

We also learned to sing a very traditional advent song called O come, o come Emmanuel – based on the version sung by King and Country. Here is the link to the band singing it:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I7kciPPX92k>

Below is the backing track of the song that we've been using this week:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I7kciPPX92k>

UKRANINA CHRISTMAS FAYRE
Saturday 3rd December 1-5pm
Vale of Evesham Christian Centre
Ukrainian cakes, sweets, warm spicy drinks, tea
& coffee, craft, jewellery, decorations etc.
Santa & Wreath making between 2-4pm

**Tickets for
the KS1
performance
have been
allocated and
are in your
child's book bag.**





LAST SWIMMING – MONDAY 5th DECEMBER

Artbox

'Shine' by Mike Moyers



Thought for The Week

A verse from the Bible for advent:



"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned".

Isaiah Chapter 9 verse 2



DIARY DATES

TONIGHT – doors open 5.15pm – Christmas Light switch on at school with stalls and fun for everyone!



7th December – 1.30pm – KS1 Nativity

7th December – 6pm – KS1 Nativity

8th December – 6pm – KS1 Nativity

9th December – Wear a Christmas jumper – bring a small Christmas themed item for the Friend of Offenham Church Christmas Wonderland festival.

9th December – Christingle Workshop – Year 5



9th and 10th December – Christmas Wonderland festival at the Church – time to be confirmed.

11th December – 4pm Christingle service at Church led by Mrs. Nicol and some children from school.

14th December – Walk in Wednesday – 3.15 – 3.40pm



15th December – KS1 trip to Atwell Owl Farm Park

16th December – End of term service at church – all welcome to church. Party afternoon at school for children.

3rd January – **STAFF TRAINING DAY**

4th January – **SPRING TERM**

13th January – KS2 Young Voices concert

7th June – 9th June – Y4 and Y5 trip to Whitemoor Lakes

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



REMINDERS

Important

Reader Helpers We are so grateful to the adults who come into school to help with reading but we would love to recruit some more help. If you have an hour or so to spare each week, we would love to invite you in to listen to our children read. If you are interested, just send an email to the office and we will get the wheels in motion. All volunteer posts are subject to a DBS and you will need to provide two references.



RECYCLING - We have a recycling drop-off point in our entrance area – you can bring your pens, batteries and empty crisp packets.



Wrap Round Care – Early Birds  **and Offenham Owls**  If you would like a space for your child at Early Birds – 7.45-8.30am or Offenham Owls 1 – 3.15- 4.15pm or Offenham Owls 2 - 4.15 – 5.30, please fill in a form at the office or email the completed form to the office email office@offenham.dowmat.education or post in letterbox before Wednesday of the week prior to the week you'd like provision. **Payment is the Friday before the week you require wrap round care. Forms are available at the office.**



Just to note, provision times will change after Christmas to 3.15 to 4.30 only. Morning sessions remain the same.



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.**



COATS: Please ensure your child has a coat with them at school every day.



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.

You can order right up the end of term if this makes it easier.

Attendance

Avon -92.9% ✓ Malvern -96.7%
Cotswold -90.2% Severn -95%
Overall-93.7%

Golden Apples awarded this week:



Avon – Archie & Maya
Malvern – Billie & Bertie
Cotswold – Mason & Ellie B
Severn – Noah & Olivia A



Awards This Week :

Housepoints



1st Sapphires with 73 housepoints

2nd Emeralds with 68 housepoint



3rd Rubies with 58 housepoints

Stars of the Week



Avon – Bonnie
Malvern – Myles
Cotswold – Athena
Severn – Chloe W



Birthdays



This week we celebrate the birthdays of Leah and Jacob M



Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Leah and Jacob and we say thank you that they are part of our school family.

We pray that they may grow in wisdom and grace; give dignity and respect to others and that they may know your hope and joy every day.



Strengthen and bless them on their birthday and every day throughout the next year. Amen.



Cheer Bear – Esme

Viv Bear – Isaac T



Sports Star - Molly