

LOVE TRANSFORMATION GROWTH

'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'



Well done to everyone on a very successful first half term. A special well done to our lovely Reception class who have settled really well into the life of our school. We hope that you all have a wonderful half term break and come back to school refreshed and ready start another half term of learning together. Take care and stay safe.

This Week in Malvern class...

This week in Malvern Class, we had our shared reading group, called 'Reading Buddies' with Severn Class. During this time, a child from Severn class 'buddies up' with one or two children from Malvern and shares a story. This has been a fantastic opportunity for the children in KS1 and KS2 to become more familiar with each other and to build up friendships. It is so valuable in that it teaches children that sharing conversations about stories and books is as rewarding and fun as reading the book itself!



07/10/2022

On-line Safety Sessions Across School

As we continue to build on our established programme of online safety education we have introduced a new online safety curriculum which sits outside our ICT curriculum. We are using Project Evolve as the basis of our work and this week, each class has undertaken some work to help them become more responsible users of the internet.

Avon and Malvern – both classes thought about screen time – how much time they should be using screens for and the effects of screen time on their well-being.

Cotswold – thought about on-line communities and careful communication.

Severn Class – considered self-image and identity and what this can look like on line.



We are currently recruiting for both parent and non-parent Governors for our school. These voluntary roles are key to supporting the ongoing work of the school and in achieving the best outcomes for our children. Roles are available for both parents and non-parents, which may appeal to extended family members or people with strong links to the village. If you, or someone you know, is interested in either role please don't hesitate to contact the current chair of Governors to find out more (chairofgovernors@offenham.dowmat.education)



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mrs Butcher who had an article published in a national educational publication this month. Mrs Butcher has been involved in an 'Excellent RE' project and her work impressed her tutor so much that he suggested her work be published. We are so proud of you Mrs Butcher and so proud of excellent RE that takes place each week at our school.



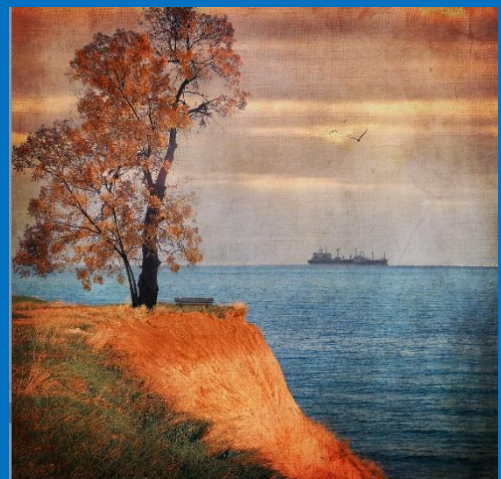
Thought for the week:

This week we have been learning about the character of Gideon in the Bible. Some unexpected things happened to him and he had to learn how to trust even when it was difficult to see the end result.

Don't quit. Sometimes the things you are hoping for, come at unexpected times.

Artbox

Autumn By The Sea
by Paula Belle Flores



SCIENCE BOX

'ZOOPHARMACOGNACY' – what is it?



Follow the link below to find out what we were exploring in our science slot in assembly earlier this week. This article made us all say, 'Wow – that's amazing'!

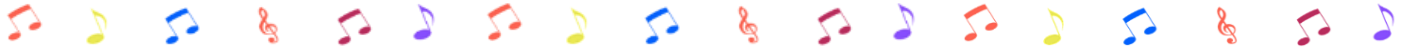
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This week we have been listening to some music composed by Ralph Vaughan-Williams.
This month is the 150-year anniversary of his birth.
We have been celebrating by listening to his English Folk song suite.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSVDF5IbN-g>



DIARY DATES



24th – 28th October – HALF TERM

7th November – 3.30- 5pm - Severn class individual parents' evening

8th November – 4-7pm – Malvern class individual parents' evening

9th November – 4-7pm – Cotswold individual parents' evening

10th November – 3.30-5pm – Cotswold individual parents' evening
4-5.30pm – Avon class year one individual parents' evening
4-7pm – Malvern class individual parents' evening
4-7pm – Severn class individual parents' evening

10th November – Open Morning 9.30 – 11.30am - for parents who are looking for a school place for their child/ren in September 2023.



11th November – Non-uniform day – bring a bottle for the bottle tombola to be used at the Christmas Light switch on.

18th November – Children in Need day – wear something spotty and bring a donation.



25th November – Non-uniform day – bring some chocolate for the chocolate tombola to be used at the Christmas Light switch on.

28th November - Last Swim



2nd December – 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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



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

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



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

16th December – End of term service at church – all welcome and party afternoon at school.

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





REMINDERS



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.*

Awards This Week

Housepoints

1st Sapphires with 249 housepoints

2nd Emeralds with 235 housepoints

3rd Rubies with 234 housepoints



Attendance

Avon -96.3% Malvern -96%
Cotswold -93.4% Severn -94%
Overall-95%



Golden Apples awarded this week:



Avon – Jonah
Malvern – Jacob W & Elsie
Cotswold – Harry & Fiodar
Severn – Jessica & Rebecca



English Stars of the month

Avon – Mollie Malvern – Leah

Cotswold – Isla G Severn – Ethan S

Maths Stars of the month

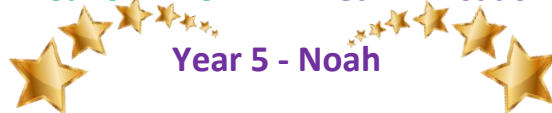
Avon – Imogen Malvern – Oliver D

Cotswold – Ben Severn – Aimee

Science Stars of the month

Year 1 – Oran Year 2 – Billy

Year 3 – Ellie Year 4 – Isaac



Year 5 - Noah

Stars of the Week



Avon – Henry Hu



Malvern – Tyler

Cotswold – Jessica J

Severn – Jessica E

Birthdays



This week we celebrate the birthdays of Alex and Phoebe.



Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Alex and Phoebe 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 – Emily

Viv Bear – Oliver P



Sports Star – Jacob R

