



# Offenham C E First School

## Newsletter – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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LOVE TRANSFORMATION GROWTH

*'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'*

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**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS:** If your child has a birthday in July and up to and including the 13<sup>th</sup> August we will be celebrating their birthday in Celebration Assembly on the 14<sup>th</sup> July. Any date after that up until the end of the summer holidays will be celebrated at Church on the last day of term.



Always wear a seat belt

**ROAD SAFETY** -Here's some guidance from the department for transport about the importance of wearing a seatbelt.

	Front seat	Rear seat	Who is responsible?
<b>Driver</b>	Seat belt must be worn if fitted.		<b>Driver</b>
<b>Child under 3 years of age</b>	Correct child restraint must be used.	Correct child restraint must be used. If one is not available in a licensed taxi/private hire vehicle, a child may travel unrestrained.	<b>Driver</b>
<b>Child from 3rd birthday up to 135cms in height (approx. 4ft 5ins), or 12th birthday, whichever they reach first</b>	Correct child restraint must be used.	Where seat belts are fitted, the correct child restraint must be used. Must use adult seat belts if correct child restraint not available: → in a licensed taxi/private hire vehicle; → for a short distance in an unexpected necessity; or → in a car or van (laden weight not exceeding 3.5 tonnes), two occupied child restraints prevent fitting of a third.  A child aged 3 years and over may travel unrestrained in the rear seat of a vehicle if no rear seat belts are fitted and the front seat is occupied.	<b>Driver</b>
<b>Child from 12th birthday, or from over 135cms (approx. 4ft 5ins) in height, until 14th birthday</b>	Seat belt must be worn if available.	Seat belt must be worn if available.	<b>Driver</b>
<b>Passengers aged 14 years and over</b>	Seat belt must be worn if available.	Seat belt must be worn if available.	<b>Passenger</b>

### CYBER BULLYING

We know that many of our children at school have access to a mobile phone or games console – whether having one of their own or access to a family one.

One of our Very Important Values is **RESPECT** and **KINDNESS** is one of our fruits. We expect our children to be respectful and kind in their in-person relationships as well as in their on-line – gaming and social media relationships. Follow this link to get some top tips and discussion points to help your child 'get smart' about online behaviours and etiquette as well as the dangers of cyber bullying.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/cyberbullying-advice-for-parents-and-carers>

### Move Up Day – Transition Day

We all enjoyed Transition Day – either here with our new Classes or in different places. It's all change!



## This Week in Severn Class: Year Five Cornet Concert

We enjoyed a wonderful concert led by our year five cornet players on Tuesday. We were entertained with ensemble, solos and duets.

A great big thank you goes to Mr Johnson, our inspirational cornet teacher. We have loved having him as our brass teacher but he leaves us at the end of this term to become a music teacher at another school – we will miss him.



## Fun evening 14<sup>th</sup> July 6.30 until 9pm.

Bring your own picnic to enjoy in our beautiful grounds, there will be dancing and time just to be together. This year, back by popular demand, we have 'Dampiers Round' who will perform live for us and call our Cæildh dances.

We ask for a voluntary donation of £5 per family to cover costs.



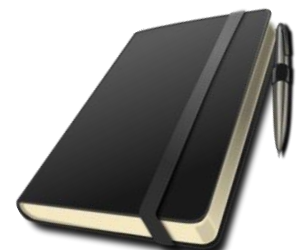
The fun evening will be followed by Annual Year five sleepover - more details to follow...



## DIARY DATES

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.....Y5 leavers trio to Legoland  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July.....5.30pm KS2 Play  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July .....5.30pm KS2 Play  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.....Fun Evening & Camp over  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July.....Eye Test for Reception children  
**TERM ENDS ..... Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

**Staff Training Days – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**  
**TERM STARTS.....Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**



## Thought of the Week...

During Celebration Assembly, Egons told us a little of what Cotswold had been learning about Corrie Ten Boom. If you get a chance you should read 'The Hiding Place' by Corrie. Here is a wonderful quote from her about worry.

*"Worrying is carrying tomorrow's load with today's strength - carrying two days at once. It is moving into tomorrow ahead of time. Worrying doesn't empty tomorrow of its sorrow, it empties today of its strength."*

Corrie Ten Boom



## Music Box:



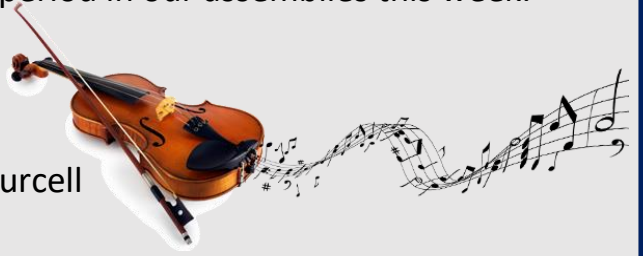
We have been listening to music from the Baroque period in our assemblies this week.

The music for entrance was Canon in D Pachelbel

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JvNQLJ1\\_HQ0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JvNQLJ1_HQ0)

and music for exit was Rondeau from Abdelazar – Purcell

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=15rj-xFh2yg>



## Art Box

This is a painting by Carravagio. Carravagio was a painter in the Baroque era.



# 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.**

**HATS & COATS in SCHOOL** Please make sure that your child has a hat and 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.**



  **Awards This Week:**  

 **Viv Bear – Jude**  
 **Cheer Bear – Ethan S**  
 **Sports Award - Steliyan**

**Golden Apples awarded this week:**


<b>Avon –</b>	<b>Eze &amp; Hayden</b>
<b>Malvern –</b>	<b>Arthur</b>
<b>Cotswold –</b>	<b>Simon &amp; Egons</b>
<b>Severn –</b>	<b>Maisy &amp; Louis</b>







**Stars of the Week**

	<b>Avon – Isla</b>	
	<b>Malvern - Amelie</b>	
	<b>Cotswold – Isla D</b>	
	<b>Severn – Ethan S</b>	

 *Birthdays*

This week, we celebrate the birthdays of Simon, Charlie, Harry & Hayden.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Simon, Charlie, Harry & Hayden 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.

 **Housepoints** 

**1<sup>st</sup> - Emeralds** with 235 housepoints  
**2<sup>nd</sup> - Sapphires** with 212 housepoints  
**3<sup>rd</sup> - Rubies** with 179 housepoints

**Attendance**

**Avon –98.3%**    **Malvern –93.5%**  
**Cotswold –89.8%**    **Severn –97%**

**Overall– 94.7%** 