



# Offenham C E First School

## Newsletter – 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

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*'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'*

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### 'Thankyous'

- Thank you to everyone who joined us for our end of year Church service – it was good to see you all. Thank you to our Year four children who led our service so beautifully.
- Thank you to all parents for their kindness and generosity shown to all staff in the wonderful gifts received
- Thank you to everyone for all of your support this year – your continued partnership means so much and makes such a difference to what we can achieve together!



## Year five Leavers

What a wonderful group of children you are! We have loved having you at school over the years. We know that you will continue to do well. All the very best for your future!

As we do every year we gave have presented some special awards to some of our year five children. Well done to:

Sports Award – Olivia A

Governors' Cup for Excellence – Ethan S

Mrs Tustin Sunshine Cup – Mija

Progress Award – Logan

Patricia A. Summers Cup for Merit – girls – Sofia

Patricia A. Summers Cup for Merit – boys – Ethan V

Les Cherry Achievement Award - Noah

CONGRATULATIONS!



**PSQM** - We are so pleased to announce and celebrate our achievement of the Primary Science Quality Mark. We have worked hard to improve our Science provision and we are so pleased that our work has been recognised and that we have achieved this national mark.



**You will have received a letter about next year from Mrs Nicol earlier in the week – please check your emails for this.**

## Measles

This week, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) published new modelling which suggests that unless MMR vaccination rates improve, London could see a measles outbreak with tens of thousands of cases.

In the West Midlands, only 85% of children have had BOTH of their MMR vaccines by the age of 5 years. Over the last few weeks, we have started to see some cases of measles in the region – all are in young unvaccinated children. This is significantly below the 95% MMR uptake rate needed to support herd immunity from measles.



**Please take a look at the Birmingham Families Magazine. It's packed full of ideas and places to visit during the summer holidays.**

[https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/famh\\_w\\_ja23?fr=sYTRkZDYyMDQwMjU](https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/famh_w_ja23?fr=sYTRkZDYyMDQwMjU)

## DIARY DATES

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

**Half Term.....Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**TERM ENDS.....Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

**Staff Training Day.....Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**TERM STARTS.....Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

**Staff Training Day.....Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Half Term.....Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**  
**TERM ENDS.....Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**



## Thought of the Week...

"Summer holidays are the perfect opportunity to recharge, rejuvenate and come back stronger"

Unknown

### An Irish blessing for us all:

'May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand'.



Order your clothing labels from Stikins and our PTA gets 30% commission which will go towards the new play apparatus for our school.

The fundraising number which you need quote when ordering is 14836.



## SCHOOL MEALS

Thank you for ordering your child's lunches. If you have forgotten to order for the first week back in September, please bring a lunch box for your child as this week's order has been processed.

# TEDDY BEARS PICNIC



BRING A TEDDY!

Looking for something to do over the SUMMER HOLIDAYS?

Come to your local Library and join us for a Teddy Bears Picnic with some fun activities all taking place, during

"Summer Reading Challenge 2023"

### WYCHAVON DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BROADWAY LIBRARY – MON 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY - 10.30-12

EVESHAM LIBRARY – MON 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 10.30-12

PERSHORE LIBRARY – TUES 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST – 10.30-12

DROITWICH LIBRARY – TUES 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST -10.30 - 12



NO BOOKING REQUIRED! JUST TURN UP ON THE DAY!

A HEALTHY SNACK WILL BE PROVIDED



## Birthdays

This week, we celebrate the birthdays of Mija, Nellie, Jude, Henry P, Harry, Louis, Bonnie, Amber, Esta, Myles and Fiodar.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Mija, Nellie, Jude, Henry, Harry, Louis, Bonnie, Amber, Esta, Myles and Fiodar 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.

It's  
**SUMMER**  
Time

## Attendance

Avon -94.2%

Malvern -98.1%

Cotswold -95.6%

Severn -92.6%

Overall-95.2%

