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Parents On-line Safety Conference

Today, you will receive an email outlining details of a very important conference for parents about on-line safety. I apologise for the late notice of this email but I would urge as many of you as possible to attend.

The course is run by the police and will outline some of the real and present dangers of the on-line world and ways you can engage with your children to keep them safe.

The conference takes place on Monday 27th November between 6.30-7.30pm via MS Teams (I must stress that this is not suitable for children)

P PARKING

Please make sure that any member of your family dropping-off or picking-up from school is aware of the parking letter sent out last Friday by Evesham Rural North Policing team.

KS1 Nativity – You will have received an information letter about the Nativity play today. Please return the request slip for tickets to the office as soon as possible.



Next Friday is non-uniform day in exchange for donations of cake items for the Christmas Fayre.



Safeguarding

Please could we ask that if your child has hurt themselves at home and has a scratch, bruise or bump that you email the office alerting us to this.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 7th December – Wear a Christmas themed jumper and bring a voluntary £1 donation to Save The Children .



If you haven't got a Christmas jumper, **don't buy one**, just get creative and decorate a plain jumper with tinsel, baubles, sparkles and glitter – go crazy ... it's Christmas!



Music Concert - The music concert on the 6th will only feature our Year five cornet players and our children who have been having piano lessons with Mrs Herbert. There will be no other performers this time. You will receive a letter if your child is taking part.



Messy Church

Sunday 26th November

4 - 6pm Offenham School Hall

Tea is provided. Fun for families and friends.

To book please contact pennyanne68@gmail.com



Friends of Offenham Church

Thank you for all the chocolate and bottles that you brought in to support the work of the Friends of Offenham Church, it is very much appreciated.





Fill a box with lovely 'stuff' and joy and bring it to school by the 9th of December and we will make sure that your love in a box brings joy to a child in Ukraine this year.

Big Ambition Survey

The children's commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza would like to hear the views of children and their parents.

Children or parents can complete the survey here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition

Further resources are available on her website – <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ambition/>

YOUNG VOICES

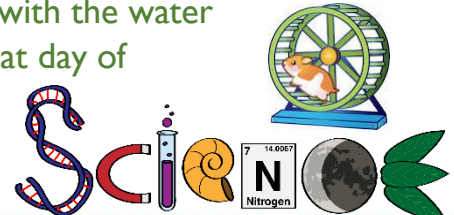
If you wish to pre-order the Young Voices concert video with an exclusive discounted offer for just £9.99 (usually y24film.co.uk and enter the discount code 'PREORDER'.

This Week in Cotswold Class...

On Thursday Cotswold Class enjoyed an exciting Science trip to the Think Tank in Birmingham. The year three children learned a lot during their workshop about forces; they really enjoyed the chance to complete experiments and investigations.

The year four children added to their existing knowledge during the electricity show and were keen to share what they had learnt. We also had time to explore the rest of the displays in the Think Tank.

We especially enjoyed going to the science garden where some of us had a go in the hamster wheel and some of us got a bit wet with the water experiments. It was a great day of scientific learning!



Health and Well-being

We enjoyed a lovely visit with Freya on Monday. Darcey led an excellent assembly all about Freya and her role as a police well-being dog – thanks Darcey! Everyone had the opportunity to stroke Freya.

Freya loved it so much that she lay down and almost fell asleep from all the 'fussing'!



Darcey's Health and Well-being Box

Here are Darcey's tips for the week from 'Action for Happiness' - 'New Ways November' calendar.

20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before

21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them

22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them

23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show

IMAGE OF THE WEEK:

I saw this image on the World Health Organisation website with the following words written underneath:

“Well-being- how living well together works for the common good”

It’s just what we’ve been thinking about this week in our assemblies.



Thought of the Week:



We have been thinking about community this week in our assemblies – we have thought about the importance of coming together, praying together and singing together. This week’s thought is about working together.

If you want to go fast
go alone.
If you want to go far
go together.

African proverb



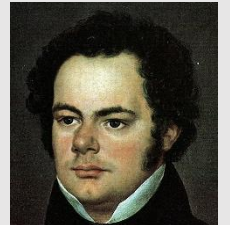
Music of the Week:

This week we’ve been listening to the ‘Marche Militaire’ by Schubert.

You can follow the link to this piece of music on Youtube –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dMTDjavVmH4>

Please only use YouTube with your parents’ supervision and permission.



Childnet – Information for parents about online issues: <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>



Dogs Trust and the Cats protection league.

The box will be available for the next two weeks.

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

- 26.11.23 – Messy Church – 4-6pm. School Hall
- 01.12.23 – PTA Christmas Fayre – 5.30 – 7.30pm
- 01.12.23 and 02.12.23 – Winter Wonderland at Church
- 02.12.23 – Hedge Planting with the Parish Council
- 04.12.23 - Last swimming session.
- 06.12.23 – Music Concert.
- 07.12.23 – Christmas Jumper Day
- 13.12.23 and 14.12.23 – KS1 nativity play – 5.30pm
- 21.12.23 – Christmas Service and Christmas party at school (parents are very welcome at Church).
- 21.12.23 -TERM ENDS FOR CHILDREN
- 22.12.23 Staff Training Day
- 08.01.24 - TERM STARTS
- 09.02.23 - Staff Training Day
- HALF TERM - Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February
- 22.03.24 - TERM ENDS



Reader Helpers



If you can spare an hour or so to come and listen to children read , please speak to a member of staff. You will then be provided with all the required safeguarding forms to complete.

PTA DIARY DATES

- 27.11.23 – Wreath Making Evening
- 01.12..23 – Non-Uniform day (cake)
- 01.12.23 – PTA Christmas Market
- 08.12.23 – PTA Elfridges Event



REMINDERS



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



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.**



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



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.**

Offenham Baby and Toddler Group (NCT) takes place every Friday @ Offenham Village Hall 9.45-11-15am.



Health and Safety-

Just a reminder that bikes and scooters should not be ridden across the playground. Please make sure to dismount and push them across the playground so that everyone remains safe.



Viv Bear - Archie
Cheer Bear – Emmy
Sports Award – Dimana



Stars of the Week

Avon – Isla
Malvern – Jacob
Cotswold – Amelie
Severn – Athena



Awards This Week:

Golden Apples:



Avon – Jessica & Eze
Malvern – Leon & Imogen



Cotswold – Billy & Mack
Severn – Alina & Amber



Housepoints



- 1st - Sapphires** with 226 housepoints
- 2nd - Emeralds** with 225 housepoints
- 3rd - Rubies** with 220 housepoints

Attendance

Avon –96% **Malvern –98.5%**
Cotswold –98.6% **Severn –100%**

Overall–98.4% ✓

Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Oliver D and Luke

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Oliver and Luke 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.