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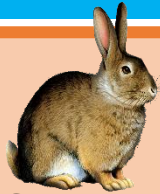
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Parent Survey - You will receive an email today with a link to a parent survey – the survey will be open until next Friday. We would very much appreciate hearing your views.



Next week ...

- Tuesday** – Science Day
- Thursday** – last day for lunch orders for 1st week after Easter.
- Friday** – Last day of Term
- Easter Service at church
- Easter Bonnet Parade
- PTA Easter Raffle Draw
- Good Friday – Messy Church



Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade

As is our usual practice, we will have our annual Easter bonnet / hat parade next Friday. This will take place on our return from the Easter Service at Church.

May I take this opportunity to offer a warm welcome to the service for all of our families - we would love to see lots of you there.



DATE CHANGE
 Non-uniform day for Rainbow donations will now be on **Thursday 11th April** due to Malvern's trip on the 12th.

Wake up Wednesday - Make sure to take a look at the 'Wake-up Wednesday' article being sent out via email.

This week the subject is "Developing healthy sleep patterns".

Raffle ticket stubs must be in by the end of Thursday next week to be included in the draw on Friday. You can pay by cash in the PTA box or by bank transfer, ensuring the name on the stub is referenced on the transfer. If you would like more raffle tickets, please

speaking to Mrs, Newton in the office.

Over 40 amazing Easter Egg raffle prizes to be won! Good luck!

ORDER LUNCHES FOR THE WEEK AFTER EASTER BY THURSDAY 21st MARCH Any orders received after this will not be registered.



Messy Church

March 29th in Offenham School Hall 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Refreshments provided. Fun for all ages.

Please contact Penny Christison for further information and to register your interest. This will help with catering arrangements. Pennyanne68@gmail.com



Year Four Trip to the Houses of Parliament



On Thursday 7th March, the year four children visited the Houses of Parliament.

This year, they enjoyed a fun-filled workshop learning all about democracy and debating. They also had a very interesting tour around the Palace of Westminster, the House of Commons and House of Lords. Both the Houses were in session so we sat in the public galleries and saw Parliament in action, we even saw our local MP sat on the front row of the House of Commons getting ready to speak about the Budget.

Each year, our year four children visit Parliament to help them understand more about how Parliament operates and to prepare effectively for their roles in our Year five Pupil Parliament here at school. In the summer term, prospective candidates for our Pupil Parliament will run a short campaign and present their manifesto to the whole school. The whole school then gets the opportunity to vote for their ministers.

We have a number of positions in our Pupil Parliament.

All of our Ministers are doing a great job and are a wonderful example to the next generation of Ministers at our school. We look forward to our summer elections and to hearing plans that the next set of prospective Ministers have!

Here are some photographs of our Year four children enjoying their time at Parliament.



Darcey's Health and Well-being Box

Here are Darcey's tips for the week from 'Action for happiness'.



'Mindful March' is the theme of this month's calendar.

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

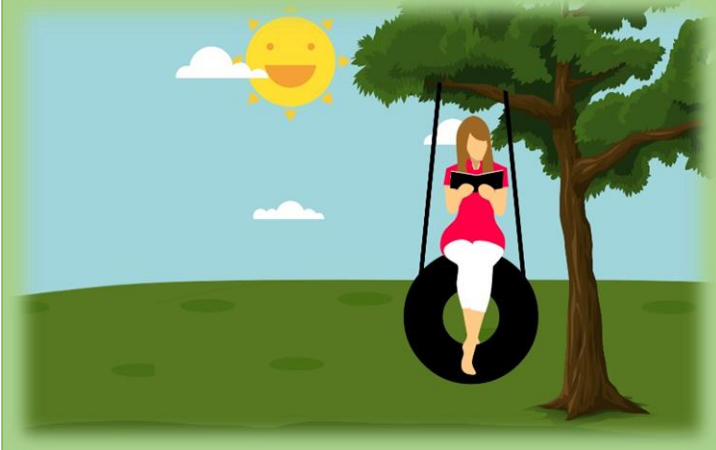
16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

Thought of the Week

Rest is not a luxury, it is a necessity. Take the time off to replenish your energy and recharge your soul" - Anon.

Are you looking forward to the weekend? We hope you all manage to find some rest and relaxation.



Music Box



This week we've been listening to - Toccata (Symphony for Organ No 5) by Charles-Marie Widor. You can find a link to the music below. The organ being played in this video clip is the organ at York Minister.

<https://www.youtube9.com/watch?v=5IBH5niBZMI>



Childnet – Information for parents about online issues:

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

Tuesday 19th March – Science Day

Friday 22nd March - TERM ENDS

Friday 29th March – Messy Church – school: 9.30-12.30

Monday 8th April – TERM STARTS FOR CHILDREN

Friday 12th April – Malvern trip to Bromsgrove School

Friday 19th April – Maths Day (wear something maths themed)

Monday 6th May – May Day

HALF TERM – 27th May – 31st May

Friday 24th May - Staff Training Day

Friday 19th July – TERM ENDS

Monday 22nd July – Staff Training Day



PTA DIARY DATES

Follow Offenham CE First School PTA on Facebook for information and updates.

Friday 15th March – Wine Tasting Evening

Thursday 11th April – Non-uniform day (rainbow donation)

Friday 12th April – Movie Night

Friday 19th April – Family Fun Bingo Evening

Friday 10th May – Non-uniform day (jar)

Sat. 18th May – Brass on the Grass with Avonbank Brass Band

Friday 21st June – Non-uniform day (cake)

Sunday 23rd June – Summer Fayre

TBC July – Teddy Bear's Picnic for new starters



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.**



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.



Offenham Baby and Toddler Group (NCT) takes place every Friday @ Offenham Village Hall
10 – 11.30am.

Awards This Week:



Maths Star of the Month

Avon – Thomas Malvern - Leon
Cotswold – Arthur D Severn – Isla D



English Star of the Month

Avon – Jessica Malvern - Neve
Cotswold – Jasper Severn - Alina



Science Star of the Month

Reception – Finlay Year one – Isla V
Year two – Oran Year three – Jack P
Year four – Esme Year five - Rianne



Golden Apples:



Avon – Martha & Ivy



Malvern – Edey & Jesse



Cotswold – Bashir & Harry

Severn – Ellie B & Isaac



Viv Bear – Olivia T

Sports Award – Alex

Cheer Bear – Archie



Stars of the Week

Avon – Harry

Malvern – Imogen

Cotswold – Nellie

Severn – Charlie

Housepoints

- 1st - **Rubies** with 78 housepoints
2nd - **Sapphires** with 61 housepoints
3rd - **Emeralds** with 50 housepoints

Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthday of Steliyan.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthday of Steliyan and we say thank you that he is part of our school family. We pray that he may grow in wisdom and grace; give dignity and respect to others and that he may know your hope and joy every day. Strengthen and bless him on his birthday and every day throughout the next year. Amen.

The following birthdays will be celebrated at church next week;
Robyn, Arthur E, Anjuna, Olly P, Holly H and Terry



Attendance

Avon -99.5% Malvern -95.2%
Cotswold -92.8% Severn -96.3%

Overall-95.9%