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Thanks to you for all your lovely words and kind and generous gifts given to staff members, both individually and collectively. Visitors to our staff room this week, have commented on how blessed we are to be treated so kindly by our parents.

Sticking with the theme of thanks - I would like, at the end of this academic year, to thank the staff team at Offenham School - who work so well together to provide a lovely space for your children to be and many opportunities every day for them to flourish. I am so blessed to lead such a dedicated and happy band of people. Here's to a restful summer break!



This week we said goodbye to Mrs Walker, our wonderful TA who has worked at our school for many years. We wish her every happiness as she begins the next chapter of her life as a retiree. We will miss her so much! Thank you, Mrs Walker, for all you've done for us and all you mean to us!

We are also saying goodbye to all of our lovely Year five leavers. We enjoyed an amazing afternoon with them today. We are so proud of all you've achieved and who you've become as you've shared this part of your journey with us. We hope that you will always look back on your time with us, here at Offenham School, with fond and happy memories.

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 presented some special awards to some of our year five children. Well done to:

Sports Award – Charlie

Governors' Cup for Excellence – Dimana

Mrs Tustin Sunshine Cup – Maisy

Progress Award – Alina

Patricia A. Summers Cup for Merit – girls – Nancy

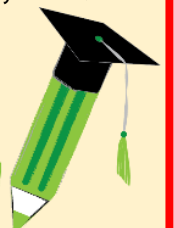
Patricia A. Summers Cup for Merit – boys – Isaac

Les Cherry Achievement Award – Darcy

Mrs. Walker Science Award – Olivia

Mrs. Steward Kindness Cup - Esta

CONGRATULATIONS!



ECO POSTER COMPETITION WINNERS

Thanks to our ECO committee for organising an ECO poster competition and thank you to everyone who sent in an entry.

The winners are as follows:

Year one – Olivia

Year two – Emmy

Year three – Ava

Year four – Isla D



Some thoughts as we move into a time of rest and relaxation in the summer holidays

Here are some words of wisdom from our Year five children. It was one of the activities we carried out at our Retreat Day. These are nuggets of wisdom they want to leave behind for those who follow

Be good to everyone, be kind to teachers, remember every day at school.

Even though you are little in this universe you still matter, good stuff comes back to you, there is always good in everyone – even in someone bad.

Remember to bring joy to Mrs Nicol's heart, cherish your friends, love every moment of school even when it's tricky.

Be kind to all, bring joy to all you do and remember Good listening leads to good learning.

Be a peace seeker, a world lover and a silent learner.

Always try to be the best you can be.

Keep persevering no matter how hard the job is, be kind to everyone regardless of their race. Love everyone even if you're not having the best day yourself.

Treat others as you want to be treated yourself, if you are bad it will spread like dominoes, don't be unkind.

Never be worried like a small monkey be brave like a gorilla and calm like an orangutan, always be social and make friends like chimpanzees. Never be rude but be nice all the time.

Be kind to all – bullying is never the answer – happiness is the way to go, be joyful, don't be unkind.

Never give up even when times are tough, always believe in your dreams, this school has no room for bullying.

If I have your eyes I have your ears, never give up even when times are tough.

Be kind to everyone, don't bully, treat others as you want to be treated yourself.

You are perfect as you are so never change, you have filled my heart with joy, treat people as you want to be treated.

If you do something good, keep it up, good listening leads to good learning, at playtime enjoy freedom to do what you want.

Never be nervous for something you know is going to happen, don't ever be afraid to try something new because you never know what it's like before you do it, sometimes things go wrong in life things aren't always fair.

Make Today Amazing

Fun Evening - What a wonderful evening of dancing we enjoyed – even the rain couldn't dampen our spirits! Thank you to the PTA who part funded the effort!



Safeguarding

Safeguarding all of the children in our care is of utmost importance to us and this care continues through the holiday periods.

If you have any concerns for safeguarding over the summer holiday period; if you see or hear things concerning a child at our school please contact Mrs Nicol, our safeguarding lead (DSL). If you have serious safeguarding concerns for a child please contact Family Front Door directly or call the police if you feel a child is in immediate danger.

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Family Front Door - 01905 822666

Staff are available Monday to Thursday from 9.00am to 5.00pm and Fridays from 9.00am to 4.30pm.

In emergencies out of normal office hours (weekdays and all day at weekends and bank holidays): tel: 01905 768020



Thank you to Mrs. Bindley, Mrs. Belcher and Mrs. Roden who run our breakfast and after school clubs.

The children enjoyed a special pancake breakfast this morning. Yummy!

DOWMAT newsletter – You will have received the end of year DOWMAT newsletter as an email attachment – we hope you enjoy reading it!

Darcey's Health and Well-being Box



Here are Darcey's tips for the week from 'Action for happiness' – Jump back up July – let's find ways to bounce back!



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| 15 Set yourself an achievable goal and take the first step | 16 Find fun ways to distract yourself from unhelpful thoughts | 17 Use one of your strengths to overcome a challenge today | 18 Let go of the small stuff and focus on the things that matter | 19 If you can't change it, change the way you think about it | 20 When things go wrong, pause and be kind to yourself | 21 Identify what helped you get through a tough time in your life |
| 22 Find 3 things you feel hopeful about and write them down | 23 Remember that all feelings and situations pass in time | 24 Choose to see something good about what has gone wrong | 25 Notice when you are feeling judgmental and be kind instead | 26 Catch yourself over-reacting and take a deep breath | 27 Write down 3 things you're grateful for (even if today was hard) | 28 Think about what you can learn from a recent problem |
| 29 Be a realistic optimist. Focus on what could go right | 30 Reach out to a friend, family member or colleague for support | 31 Remember we all struggle at times – it's part of being human | | | | |

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Save the date! **SCHOOL DIARY DATES**

Monday 22nd July – Staff Training Day
START OF TERM – Tuesday 3rd September
HALF TERM - Monday 28th Oct – Friday 1st Nov
TERM ENDS Thursday 19th December for PUPILS

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



Save the date! **PTA DIARY DATES**

20th September – Colour Run!

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.



Music Box



This week we have been listening to 'Phantasy' by Ina Boyle – a little known female composer from County Wicklow, Ireland.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgn3DYCu0IQ>

It's
SUMMER
Time

Awards This Week:

Attendance

Overall attendance for the year was 96%

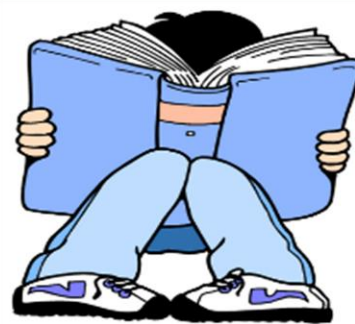
Avon -94.7%

Malvern -97.1%

Cotswold -95.6%

Severn -96.4%

Severn class reading prize goes to Nancy for gaining an amazing 207 points and reading 1,330,711 words over the last year! WOW!



Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Harry, Nellie, Henry P, Jude & Myles.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Harry, Nellie, Henry, Jude and Myles 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.