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### PHOTOGRAPHS



**INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN ON THE MORNING OF 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER.**

BIKEABILITY CHILDREN - COME INTO SCHOOL IN SCHOOL UNIFORM ON THE 17<sup>th</sup> FOR PHOTOS AND BRING IN CLOTHES TO CHANGE INTO FOR BIKEABILITY.



### Coming up...



MON –THURS - Bikeability Y4 & Y5

TUESDAY - Photographs

THURSDAY – Rec, Y1 & Y2 Meetings

FRIDAY – Colour Fun Run

### Individual Parents Evening Meetings

Sessions will take place as follows:

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** - Severn class with Miss Aucock - 3.30-6.30pm - zoom appointments are available.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** - Avon class with Miss Gillmore, Malvern class with Mr Blenkinsop and Cotswold class with Mrs Daniels and Mrs Ellis - 3.30-6.30pm

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** - Avon class with Miss Gillmore, Malvern class with Mr Blenkinsop, Cotswold class with Mrs Daniels and Mrs Ellis and Severn class with Miss Aucock- 3.30-6.30pm - zoom appointments are available.

A sign -up sheet will be placed outside the office on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> September and Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### Welcome to Class Meetings

We have some meetings planned to introduce you all, as parents, to your child's new year group. These meetings are so good because they set out expectations for the year and demonstrate how you can best support your child's learning.

EYFS and KS1 meetings on the 19<sup>th</sup> September are as follows:

- 3.30-4pm – Reception
- 4-4.30pm – Year one
- 4.30-5pm – Year two

KS2 meetings on the 26<sup>th</sup> are as follows:

- 3.30-4pm – Y5
- 4-4.30pm – Y3
- 4.30-5pm – Y4

### SPEAK OUT STAY SAFE

This week we had a special assembly and follow up sessions thinking about 'Speaking out and Staying safe' with Buddy. We thought about the rights of all people and especially the rights of children. We thought about how we can be hurt by words and by physical actions and how that is not OK. We also learned about the importance of keeping 'privates are private', as well as about neglect and bullying. Children reflected on who the trusted and safe adults are in their lives and how it is important to 'speak up and stay safe' if there is something worrying them. We assured all children that they are precious and that there is always time for them to be listened to at school.



Why not visit the NSPCC website - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/>

## This Week in Malvern class...

In D.T this half term Year one will be investigating and building their own wheels and axels and Year two have been given a building brief to build baby bear a chair that won't break.



In this week's lessons, Year one have been learning key vocabulary and experimenting with creating their own wheels and axles (without any help!). Year two have been testing different bases and shapes to create a strong structure for baby bear's chair. I'm sure the finished products will look fantastic!



PC Prentice visited this week and alerted me to a fantastic resource offered by West Mercia Police. I had a chat with Chris Day who is leading this work; he is really passionate about keeping our children safe. You can sign up to an online session to learn more about how to effectively protect and prepare your child for 'life on-line' and to learn about the very serious risks children face online.

I hope that you will consider signing up. All you have to do is scan the QR code and select a session convenient to your lifestyle.



## COLOUR FUN RUN

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

*Please return your permission slips along with payment of £3 , plus £2 for sunglasses if needed, by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.*

*Please bring an old white T-shirt to wear.  
Please provide your own mask if required.*



## Protect our children!

Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to [www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops)





# Offenham Youth Club 7-9pm



This is open to children from year 5 upwards from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.  
Next date is 18<sup>th</sup> October and there is one session per month (dates to be confirmed).

£2.00 per child plus additional money for tuck shop if wanted. Parental consent paperwork to be completed on first visit. Please speak to Aimee Webb for more information

15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

## OFFENHAM MUGA EVENT

Join us for a fun packed day with Delta Sports Coaching at the MUGA launch event! Different sports, refreshments at the village hall and plenty of fun with friends and family! Sessions limited to 20 spaces - To avoid disappointment please book places by emailing [dlc.cox@gmail.com](mailto:dlc.cox@gmail.com)

FUNDED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL

FUN GAMES	REFRESHMENTS	DIFFERENT AGES
12:00-12:45	13:00-13:45	14:00-14:45
AGES 4-7	AGES 8-12	AGES 13-16

[www.deltasportscoaching.co.uk](http://www.deltasportscoaching.co.uk)

## Celebration Assembly

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Celebration Assembly this morning.

## Open Week

Open week will take place Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October to 18<sup>th</sup> October. Parents can make an appointment to be shown around our school by myself and some wonderful students. Please share this information with friends and families and recommend us if you feel you are able to.

## Wake Up Wednesday

This week's publication is all about supporting children to manage conflict.

## Thought of the Week

### Advice from a PUFFIN

Dive into life  
Always bring enough to share  
Be adaptable  
It's not all black and white  
Keep your cool!

## Music Box

This week we have been listening to two pieces of music – one as we enter and one to exit.

The entrance music is a traditional Northumbrian Folk tune – this was chosen to tie in with our Science wow of the week. Our Monday assembly was about puffins of the Farne islands - off the coast of Northumberland - and their amazing ability to thrive even during a pandemic by isolating as families and cleaning their nests out. There has just been a census, after two years of bird flu on the island and puffin numbers have increased! Nobody told them how to survive and thrive - they just knew – WOW!

Click here to access the folk tune – Old Morpeth Rant - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1WT4h3pW4Ww>

Here's the exit music – Walk humbly - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dk7llf2LkKc>

## SCHOOL DIARY DATES

Bikeability – 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> September

School Photos ... Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September

Rec, Y1 & Y2 Class Meetings – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Swimming Starts ..Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Y3, Y4 & Y5 Class Meetings – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Open Week – 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October

Parents Evenings – 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> October

**HALF TERM - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov**

Last swimming session ..Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

**TERM ENDS Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December for PUPILS**

**TERM STARTS Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January for ALL.**

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

## PTA DIARY DATES

20<sup>th</sup> September – Colour Run!

# 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 CANNOT 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.

**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.**



**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.

## 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.



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

# Awards This Week:

## Golden Apples:

**Avon** - Ernie & Thomas W  
**Malvern** - Archie S & Leia  
**Cotswold** - George & Skylar  
**Severn** - Amelie & Arthur

## Stars of the Week

**Avon** - Martha  
**Malvern** - Claudia  
**Cotswold** - Bashir  
**Severn** - Athena

## Sports Award - Myles

**Viv** - Ariella

**Cheer Bear** - Lucy



## Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Thea and Kara.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthday of Thea and Kara 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.

## Attendance

Avon -99.1% Malvern -97.8%  
Cotswold -97.8% Severn -94.2%  
Overall-97% ✓

## Housepoints

**1<sup>st</sup>** - Emeralds with 57 housepoints  
**Joint 2<sup>nd</sup>** - Rubies and Sapphires with 50 housepoints