

Offenham C E First School

Newsletter - 8th November 2024



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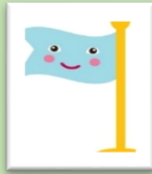
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Link to Families Magazine – Hereford and Worcester

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A message from Harry and Isla G your SMSC ministers...

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their flags illustrating who you are. Harry and Isla have started creating their display but it is not too late to return your flag if you would like it to feature in the display.



Coming up...



FRIDAY 15th – Non-uniform (Christmas items)



Monday is the last day to buy poppies. Please send your child in with donations. All proceeds go to the Royal British Legion.



WRAP AROUND AND BREAKFAST CLUB

From today, there will be a cut off point for you to book wrap around and breakfast club. The deadline will be the same as for the meal bookings - Thursday nights for the following week.

You will be unable to book on ParentPay after this deadline.

If for any reason you do miss the cut off point, you will have to contact the school directly.

Dear parents...this year we have been tasked with the challenge of raising money to purchase a...

Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)

This will be installed on the school field and enable children to play their favourite sports in all weathers.

We know you are always so supportive of our fundraising events, and hope you will get behind us again to provide our school with this amazing facility.

Thank you!

Non -Uniform Days for the Christmas Fayre

There will be non-uniform days on:



Friday 15th November

in exchange for a Christmas item



Friday 13th December

in exchange for a chocolate item.



WAKE UP WEDNESDAY



Please take a look at the Wake Up Wednesday article for this week which is about Fortnite.

KS2 ultra marathon to raise money for badminton nets.

What a wonderful event, what a lot of money raised and what a lot of miles you ran!

Cotswold class ran just over 50 miles - 351 laps

Severn class ran just over 51 miles - 357 laps.

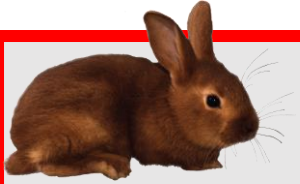
KS2 definitely met the challenge of running an Ultramarathon. Their teachers were amazed at their great manners and community spirit as they ran together, they encouraged one another and looked after one another so well. KS2 are all a delight to work with and we are, as always, so proud of them and all they've achieved.

Thank you to you and your families for your amazing generosity. Jude and Isla were totally overwhelmed by your giving. **Together, you raised £786.50!**

They are looking forward to spending the money on badminton nets and maybe some other bits and pieces to help their sports, health and well-being ministry!



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This Week in Avon Class...

This week, Avon and Malvern classes had a fantastic day out at Attwell Farm Park! The children had the opportunity to feed friendly goats and llamas, and many enjoyed stroking the rabbits and chickens. There were plenty of chances to learn about other creatures, including the park's impressive stick insects. It was a wonderful hands-on experience, allowing the children to connect with nature and learn more about farms as this was our topic focus for Autumn 1. A big thank you to the staff at Attwell Farm for making our trip so memorable! We're already looking forward to our next adventure!



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

Last swimming session.....Monday 2nd December
Christingle at church 4pm (& tree of Light) ...15th Dec.
TERM ENDSThursday 19th December for PUPILS
TERM STARTSMonday 6th January for ALL
Young Voices..... Monday 13th January 2025
Y4 Y5 Residential.....14th - 16th May 2025



PTA DIARY DATES



Non-Uniform Day (Christmas item). Fri 15th Nov
Wreath MakingThursday 28th November
Elfridges.....Thurs 5th Dec.
Non-uniform day (chocolate)..... Fri. 13th Dec.
CHRISTMAS FAYRE.....Friday 13th Dec.
Christmas PartyThurs. 19th Dec.

Music Box

This week, in our assemblies, we've listened to 'Somewhere over the rainbow' by Eva Cassidy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2rd8VktT8xY>



Thought of the Week

We are using themes from the film The Wizard of Oz to help us in our assemblies this week and next. We have considered the characters of the Tinman, Scarecrow and Dorothy. The Tinman wanted a heart so that he could love. Here's a great passage from the Bible about love.

Why not try inserting your name instead of the word love and your pronoun instead of the word it.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails



We will celebrate this week's Stars of the Week in next week's assembly as well as birthdays that have taken place this week.

Attendance

Avon - 100% Malvern - 89.7%
Cotswold - 97.4% Severn - 96.3%
Overall - 95.6% ✓



Housepoints



1st - Sapphires - 94 housepoints
2nd - Emeralds - 79 housepoints
3rd - Rubies - 73 housepoints