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Doughnut challenge



We are postponing our doughnut challenge until next Wednesday.

Please inform the office if you do not want your child to participate.



Coming up...



Sunday - **Messy Church** (Littleton)

Wednesday - **Doughnut Challenge** (£1)

Thursday - **Wreath Making**

Friday - **Non-Uniform** (Chocolate / bottle / Christmas item)

Legion Christmas Fayre Poster Competition



Thanks to those of you who entered this competition. Entries are being picked up today and will be judged in the very near future.



Non-uniform day

29th November

The Friends of Offenham Church would be so happy if you were able to bring some chocolate, bottle or Christmas item donation in exchange for wearing non-uniform on the 29th November. All donations will be used at their Christmas Fayre.

Jack in the Box

Each Tuesday, Harry and Isla lead a special assembly for our Reception children called 'Jack in the box'.



It is a session enjoyed by all of our youngest children. Our thanks go to Harry and Isla for planning, preparing and delivering the session. We are so proud of their independent skills and commitment to giving the Reception children a wonderful experience each week.





PARKING

Thank you for working with us and our neighbours to avoid parking in Cherry Close. Your co-operation is much appreciated.

Benefice



24 November

4.00pm to 6.00pm

Littleton First School

Free Fun for Families

Crafts Activities Fun Games

Free Tea

Please book for catering purposes

Contact pennyanne68@gmail.com ☎ 830367

This Sunday

NSPCC

Take a look at this link to a web page to get some tips on how best to have those difficult conversations with your children.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/>



WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

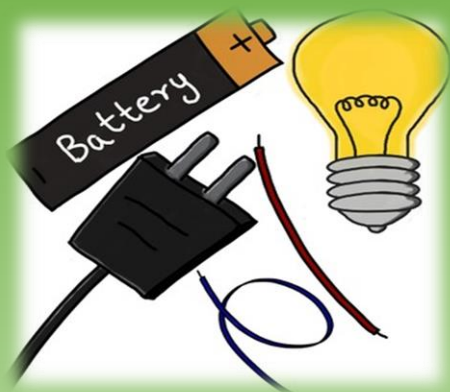


Please take a look at the Wake Up Wednesday article for this week which is about educating children on saving and spending.

This week in Cotswold Class...

In Cotswold Class this week, we have been enjoying learning about new things in our science lessons.

In year 4 we have started our new unit on electricity. We investigated different common electrical appliances and we had to decide which appliances ran on main electricity, batteries or both.



In year 3 we are learning about rocks, soils and fossils. We were sorting and classifying different types of rock and choosing our own categories for creating Venn diagrams.



In our history work, we are learning about the Ancient Shang Dynasty. We have identified where in China they ruled and how long ago the Shang Dynasty were ruling. We are looking forward to finding out more about this period in history and identifying similarities and differences to our own lives.





LUNCHES - If you had ordered lunches for this week, you have been credited for the lunches which were cancelled on Tuesday and Wednesday. The credits should show in your ParentPay account.

Thought of the Week

This week, in our assemblies we used ideas about the Emerald City to think about Heaven. Here's a quote from Mitch Albom's book - 'The five people you meet in heaven'.

"Everyone has an idea of heaven, as do most religions, and they should all be respected. The version represented here is only a guess, a wish, in some ways, that my uncle and others like him - people who felt unimportant here on Earth- realise, finally, how much they mattered and how they were loved."

We didn't use the quote above in our assemblies but I think it is a very good one. Wouldn't it be wonderful if just by knowing us, people realised that they matter and that they are loved?

The Christingle service followed by the lighting of the tree of light will take place on **15th December at 4pm at church.** Year 5s will make Christingles at school on the **13th December.**



Music of the Week



This week, in our assemblies, we've listened to two pieces of music -



We started the week with Gymnopédies no 3 by Erik Satie

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wxWx0GCc5CA> from 3.07)



and changed to Vivaldi – 'Winter' on Tuesday when we had the snowfall.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZPdk5GalDjo>

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!



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

Messy Church.....4-6pm Sunday 24th November
 Non-uniform Day (bottle).....Friday 29th November
 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



PTA DIARY DATES

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

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 (NGT) takes place every Friday @ Offenham Village Hall 10 - 11.30am.

Awards This Week:



Golden Apples



Avon - Robyn & Noah

Malvern - Edey & Maya

Cotswold - Oran & Henry P

Severn - Jack M & Khloe



Sports Award - Mollie

Viv - Oliver D



Cheer Bear - Hudson

Stars of the Week

Avon - Thomas

Malvern - Lacie

Cotswold - Jesse

Severn - Jacob M

Attendance

Avon -95.6% Malvern -97.5%

Cotswold -95.3% Severn -97.5%

Overall-96.6%



Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Luke and Oliver D



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

Housepoints



1st - **Sapphires** - 306 housepoints

2nd - **Emeralds** - 272 housepoints

3rd - **Rubies** - 248 housepoints