

# Offenham C E First School

## Newsletter - 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

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New clubs start the week after half term:

**Mondays - Sign Language / Multiskills**

**Tuesdays - Reading Club**

**Wednesdays - Maypole Dancing**

**Thursdays - Drama Club**



### Coming up...



**Half Term – 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> – Messy Church Badsey**  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Swimming KS2**

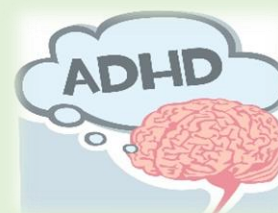
## SEND Information and Support

Free autism and ADHD workshops for parent carers

Herefordshire & Worcestershire Integrated Care Board have funded a series of free workshops available to parents and carers delivered by Autism West Midlands and ADHD Foundation Trust.

These are running through until April with multiple dates and times available. From Autism West Midlands, these are live online webinars that are between 1.5 to 2 hours long, with access to recordings for up to 2 weeks after the session so you can re-watch it in your own time. Sessions include:

- Autism & Anxiety - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-and-anxiety-hw-webinar-tickets-1207197031819?aff=oddtcreator>
- Autism & Communication - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-and-communication-webinar-hw-tickets-1207199318659?aff=oddtcreator>
- Autism & Sensory difficulties - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-and-sensory-differences-webinar-hw-tickets-1207205537259?aff=oddtcreator>
- Autism & Behaviour - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-and-behaviour-webinar-hw-tickets-1207218064729?aff=oddtcreator>
- Navigating the System - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/navigating-the-system-webinar-hw-tickets-1207221956369?aff=oddtcreator>
- Autism & the Teenage Brain - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-and-the-teenage-brain-webinar-hw-tickets-1207229077669?aff=oddtcreator>
- Supporting your Autistic Teen - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supporting-your-autistic-teen-webinar-hw-tickets-1207240933129?aff=oddtcreator>



From ADHD Foundation Trust, these are a series of live online webinars that are 1 hour and 15 minutes long.

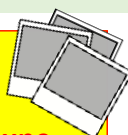
There are two workshop series available:

**Set 1** for parents/carers whose child is waiting for an ADHD assessment, or for those wanting to learn more about ADHD and **Set 2** for parents/carers whose child has an ADHD diagnosis and needs support.

To find out more and to book the dates/times you want - <https://www.hwics.org.uk/priorities/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities-send/information-support-you-while-you-are-waiting-worcestershire/resources-and-support-if-your-child-has-neurodivergent-traits>

**DATE CHANGE FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Photographer is now coming Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June.**



**LUNCH ORDERS** – If you did not order your child's lunches by Thursday pm, they will not be logged so please provide a lunchbox for the first week back.



## This week in Malvern Class...

This week, Avon and Malvern went to church with Mrs Butcher and Mother Jo to learn and experience what a baptism would look like in church. The children pretended to be parents and godparents and acted out the important ceremony. We talked about the importance of water in a baptism and also got to see the special oil Mother Jo uses to anoint a person. After the church service we headed back to school to have a celebration with cake! We thoroughly enjoyed our day and especially enjoyed the cake!



## KS2 Visit to CBSO

On Monday Ks2 enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Birmingham Symphony Hall, listening to an amazing selection of classical music. Photos to follow after half term.



Drawing Competition run by Mason, Ben, Simon and Egons

To raise money for the Reptile rescue centre in Evesham the boys are running a drawing competition entitled - REPTILES.

It will cost £1 to enter and all proceeds will go to the rescue centre in Evesham. Follow this link to an article on the BBC news website - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c05lj6qqzz3o>

There will be a prize for each year group. You could win a gorgeous little Ty toy.

CLOSING date is 26<sup>th</sup> February and posters will be judged and prizes awarded on the 28<sup>th</sup> February



## Safer Internet Day February 11<sup>th</sup>.



Why not take a look at the UK Safer internet centre website to get some top safety tips for protecting yourself and your family from scammers.

[Tips for Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

### School Lunches - price increase

There will be new menus after Easter. The cost of a school lunch will then go up by 15p. The new price will therefore be £2.60 per day.



## Jude and Isla's weekly top three well-being tips:

Here are the tips for this week -

- ➔ Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment.
- ➔ Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today.
- ➔ See how many people you can smile at today.



**Benefice**

**Messy Church**

**16 February**

**4.00pm to 6.00pm**  
**St. James Church**  
**Badsey**

**Free Fun for Families**  
 Crafts Activities Fun Games

**Free Tea**

Contact [pennyanne68@gmail.com](mailto:pennyanne68@gmail.com) ☎ 01386 830367

**Thought of the Week**

I have loved you with an everlasting love.  
 Jeremiah 31:3

Join us and make your own Very Hungry Caterpillar and pinwheel butterfly!

**THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR**  
 by Eric Carle

Evesham Library	Pershore Library	Broadway Library
Tuesday 18th Feb 10.00am-14.00pm	Wednesday 19th Feb 10:30am-12:30pm	Friday 21st Feb 10am-12pm

**Music of the Week**

This week in our assemblies we have been listening to Hedwig's theme by John Williams.

**Harry Potter**  
 HEDWIG'S THEME

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a0zG8GR9gWk>

**SCHOOL DIARY DATES**

HALF TERM .....15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> February  
 Messy Church – Badsey .....Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February  
 World Book Day.....(pyjama day) Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March  
 Y4 Houses of Parliament Trip.....Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 KS1 trip to CBSO .....Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
 Music Showcase 2pm.....Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
 Easter Holidays.....14<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> April  
 May Day.....Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May  
 Y4 Y5 Residential.....14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May  
 Spring Fayre... 1-5pm.....Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May  
 Last Swim.....Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May  
 Brass Concert...2pm.....Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
 Sports Day .....Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
 Reserve Sports Day..... Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
 Photographs class leavers.....Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June  
 Y5 Leavers Trip.....Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June  
 Last Day of Term.....Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

**Housepoints**

1<sup>st</sup> – **Emeralds** – 56 housepoints

2<sup>nd</sup> - **Sapphires** – 51 housepoints

3<sup>rd</sup> - **Rubies** – 48 housepoints

**PTA DIARY DATES**

'On Cloud 9' - wine tasting.....Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
 Non-Uniform (bring a bottle).....Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March  
 Movie Night.....Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April  
 Non-uniform (fill a jar).....Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April  
 Non-Uniform ('pamperbola' item) .....Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May  
 Spring Fayre.....Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May  
 Disco.....Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June  
 Brass on the Grass – Prom night ....Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June