



Offenham C E First School

Newsletter - 28th February 2025



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CLUBS THIS WEEK

Monday - Sign Language / Multiskills

Tuesday - Reading Club

Wednesday - Maypole Dancing

Thursday - Drama Club



Coming up...



Thursday - World Book Day (pyjamas)

Friday - PTA Wine Evening - *a few spaces still available*



Extension to the 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 next Friday 7th March and posters will be judged and prizes awarded that day.

Results of the dog poo posters run by Isla and Jude

Avon - Seb Malvern - Henry H Cotswold - Oran Severn - Isla & Jude

Thanks to Isla and Jude for organising and judging the posters in Avon, Malvern and Cotswold.

Thanks to Mrs. Bindley for judging for Severn class posters.

The posters will be replicated and put up around the village.



STAFF TRAINING DAY - WEDNESDAY 19th MARCH. Children are not at school this day.

World Book Day - Thursday 6th March

Come to school in your pyjamas and shoes and bring your slippers, a blanket and your favourite book.

There is nothing like cuddling up with a good book or two!



This Week in Cotswold Class...

VIKINGS

This term in Cotswold Class, we've been diving into the fascinating world of the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons! The children are absolutely thrilled as they begin to learn more about this exciting period of history, and they're looking forward to our upcoming trip to Bishop's Wood, where we'll bring our lessons to life.



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4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80

In addition to our history studies, we're making fantastic progress with Times Table Rock Stars. The effort the children are putting in is really paying off and we can see a huge improvement in their scores. Keep up the fantastic work everyone!

In PE, we've started learning a brand-new sport: handball! The focus has been on improving our throwing and catching skills, and the children are really enjoying this energetic and skill-building activity.



We're looking forward to another exciting term filled with learning, fun, and plenty of new challenges! Keep up the hard work, Cotswold Class!

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

Here are the tips for this week for FRIENDLY FEBRUARY

- Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone
- Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message
- Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them



★ WAKE UP WEDNESDAY ★

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

School Lunches - Price increase

There will be new menus after Easter. The price will increase to £2.60 per day.



Music of the Week

This week, in our assemblies, we've been listening to another piece of music enjoyed by our KS2 children when they went to Birmingham symphony Hall. It's by the composer Ronan Hardiman and is a variation on the music of The Lord of the Dance.

Here's the link - [Lord of the Dance - Korynta · Prague Film Orchestra](#)



Thought of the Week

From St David - 'Be joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things that you have heard and seen me do.' The phrase 'Gwnewch y pethau bychain mewn bywyd' - 'Do the little things in life' is a good line to reflect on.



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

World Book Day.....(pyjama day)	Thursday 6 th March
KS2 Trip to Bishop's Wood.....	Thursday 13 th March
Y4 Houses of Parliament Trip.....	Monday 17 th March
KS1 trip to CBSO	Tuesday 18 th March
STAFF TRAINING DAY	Wednesday 19th March
Music Showcase 2pm.....	Wednesday 2 nd April
Easter Holidays.....	14 th – 27 th April
May Day.....	Monday 6 th May
Y4 Y5 Residential.....	14 th – 16 th May
Spring Fayre... 1-5pm.....	Saturday 17 th May
Last Swim.....	Monday 19 th May
Brass Concert...2pm.....	Wednesday 21 st May
Sports Day	Thursday 22 nd May
Reserve Sports Day.....	Thursday 5 th June
Photographs class leavers.....	Wednesday 18 th June
Y5 Leavers Trip.....	Friday 27 th June
Last Day of Term.....	Friday 18 th July

PTA DIARY DATES



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

Awards This Week:

Golden Apples

Avon – Rory & Martha

Malvern – Eze & Faustas

Cotswold – Brody & Henry P

Severn – Emily & Jacob Mc

Viv – Jacob W

Cheer Bear – Hudson

Sports Star - Hudson

Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Brody H, Emily D, Jack J, Mack, Ffion, Henry Hi, Jack E, Amelie and Ariella

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Brody, Emily, Jack, Mack, Ffion, Henry, Jack, Amelie and Ariella 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.

Stars of the Week

Avon – Ayda

Malvern – Edey

Cotswold – Isla S

Severn – Arthur D

And from before half term:

Avon – Ayda

Malvern – Edey

Attendance

Avon – 99.1% **Malvern** – 94.6%

Cotswold – 98.1% **Severn** – 98.3%

Overall – 97.4% ✓

Housepoints

1st - **Rubies** – 148 housepoints

2nd - **Sapphires** – 129 housepoints

3rd - **Emeralds** – 119 housepoints

REMINDERS



HATS & COATS in SCHOOL - Please make sure that your child has a coat in school every day regardless of the weather in the morning.

RECYCLING - We have a recycling drop-off point in our entrance area for pens, batteries and empty crisp packets.

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.

REMINDER – SCHOOL MEALS
School meals must be ordered on ParentPay by Thursday of the week before.
ANY ORDERS LATER THAN THAT CANNOT BE PROCESSED.

Water bottles - Children should bring a water bottle with them each day.

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.