

Offenham C E First School

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CLUBS NEXT WEEK

~~Monday - Sign Language / Multiskills~~

Tuesday - Reading Club

~~Wednesday - Maypole Dancing~~

Thursday - Drama Club



Coming up...



Monday - Y4 to houses of Parliament

Tuesday - KS1 trip to CBSO

(Dress as Aliens)



Wednesday - Staff Training Day

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

Y4 Houses of Parliament trip on Monday. Please check your school emails with details regarding this exciting trip.

Parents Evening Week beginning 7th April

Avon - Tuesday and Wednesday - 3.30 - 6.30pm

Malvern - Wednesday and Thursday - 3.30 - 6.30pm

Cotswold - Monday 4 - 7pm and Wednesday 3.30 - 6.30pm

Severn - Tuesday - 4 - 7pm and Thursday 3.30 - 6.30pm

(zoom appointments by request)

SIGN UP sheet will be put out at
3pm on Monday 24th March



Thank you for all the bottles we
received today for the Spring Fayre.



Booksale Update - This week, Khloe, Isla G and Ellie, helped by Miss Aucock, put their order in for 22 AR books to extend our reading provision for children in KS2. The girls, researched the books they wanted, purchased them and are looking forward to receiving them and supplementing our reading material. Thank you for all your support in raising money for these books.



P00 Posters

Next week, Jude and Isla will put up the posters our competition winners have designed to encourage people to pick up after their dogs.



Movie Night

Friday 4th April



Reptile poster competition

Here's an extract from a message on Evesham Axolotl and Reptiles Rescue's Facebook page:



"Me, Gazz and the team would like to say thank to this cheeky chappy Mason. He decided to pitch an idea to his head teacher at his school in Offenham to raise money for our rescue. The teacher happily let Mason arrange a reptile drawing competition and for each entry the students paid £1. This led Mason to raising over £100 for our rescue. This could feed our animals for weeks.

Thank you, Mason, you're a little star!"



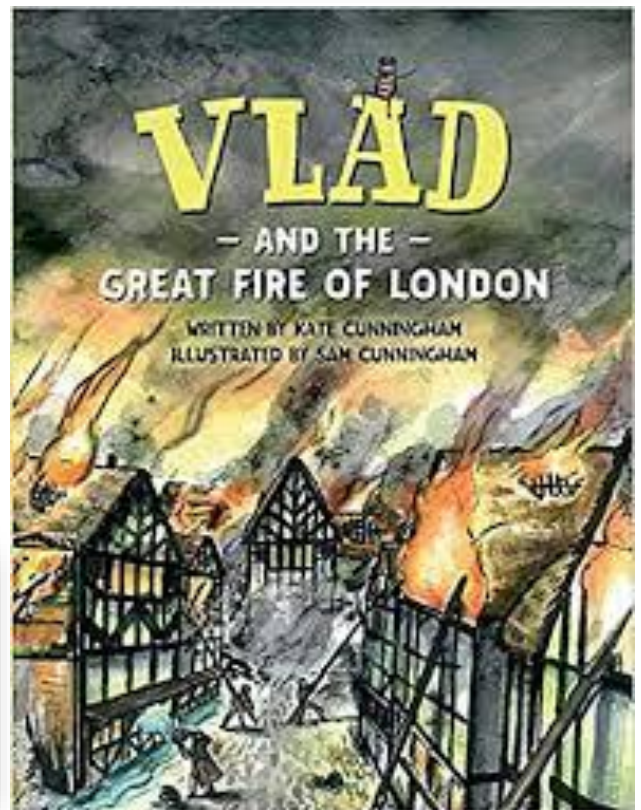
This week in Avon Class...

This week Avon class have been doing some wonderful story writing!

They've been using sound mats to help with their spelling and adding lots of exciting adjectives and verbs to make their stories come alive.

Their story is based on one we have been reading as a class (Vlad and the Great Fire of London) but includes their own characters and how they solve a problem.

It's amazing to see how much they're learning!



KS2 trip to Bishop's Wood

KS2 had a brilliant trip yesterday. Read all about it in next week's newsletter!



KS1 Trip to CBSO on Tuesday.

Please try to dress children in an alien theme for this trip but no need to buy anything especially.



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

Here are the tips for this week for Mindful March:

- Tell a loved one or a friend why they are special to you
- Really listen to what people say, without judging them
- Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour



★ WAKE UP WEDNESDAY ★

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



Messy Church

March 23rd - 4pm-6pm
The Barn @ Bretforton.

Activities, games, worship and refreshments. Free and fun for everyone. Please contact penny on: Pennyanne68@gmail.com



Music of the Week

This week, we continue to listen to music from KS2's playlist at the CBSO. This time we have a waltz by Terese Carreno.



[Pequeño vals "Mi Teresita" - Teresa Carreño \(Score\)](#)

School Lunches - Price increase

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



Isla and Jude at LAB

Thank you to Jude and Isla who presented to our Governing body this week. They were so confident and chatty as they shared all they'd achieved and their hopes and plans for the future. They were wonderful ambassadors for our school and made me feel so proud!

REQUEST : OUR PRAYER AND REFLECTION GROUP WOULD LIKE A LITTLE SUITCASE ON WHEELS SO THAT THEY CAN TRANSPORT SOME RESOURCES TO OUR REFLECTION GARDEN AT PLAYTIMES. IF ANYONE HAS A SPARE ONE OR AN OLDER ONE THEY ARE WANTING TO REPLACE AS HOLIDAY SEASON APPROACHES - WE'D BE HAPPY TO TAKE IT OFF YOUR HANDS!



Thought of the Week

We are thinking about HOPE all throughout Lent. Here's a wonderful quote from Desmond Tutu.



"Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness."

—DESMOND TUTU

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

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

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 – Emilis & Emily

Malvern – Olivia T & Brody

Cotswold – Mack, Noah & Arthur E

Severn – Ffion & Amelie



Viv – Elsie

Cheer Bear – Ivy

Sports Star – Jack J



Stars of the Week

Avon – Noah

Malvern – Hayden

Cotswold – Oran

Severn – Isla D



Attendance

Avon –97.9%

Malvern – 99.8%

Cotswold –99.3%

Severn –99%

Overall –99.1%



Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Steliyan & Sebastian.

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Steliyan and Sebastian 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 - **Emeralds** –195 housepoints

2nd - **Sapphires** –191 housepoints

3rd - **Rubies** –174 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.