

Offwell C of E Primary School Newsletter



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Our Core Values: Honesty, Loyalty, Caring, Sharing and Forgiveness

Dear parents/carers,

Willow Visit

We welcome Mrs Hunt safely back to school and she has rearranged for the visit to Willow class to meet the teacher for Thursday, 6th October at 2.30pm. If you have a child that has moved into Willow, do come along and meet Mrs Hunt and see the class in action.



Cotleigh Canter - Sunday, 9th October - 10.30am

Honiton Running Club has organised a series of races - 10k, 5k and fun run (3k) around Cotleigh - see attached for further

information. Any child can run the fun run but they must be accompanied by an adult if under the age of 9. Parents are welcome to take part in any of the races. Any money raised will be donated to local Cotleigh charities.

Puffin Books

These are being sent home today and any orders must be received by next Friday.

House Points

The overall point score is very close but Drake has won the weekly contest for the second week running; Drake 84, Raleigh 76 - well done Drake.



Target Booklets

Your child/children should have brought their green target booklets home this week for you to look at. Please could these be returned as soon as possible.

Absence Letter

There have been several families new into school since I sent the letter regarding absence, so I attach a copy setting out our arrangements for advising us, etc. If you have already seen it, please reread it to remind yourself of procedures.

Sponsored Walk

As advised previously, we have planned a sponsored walk through Offwell Woods for Friday, 21st October beginning at 1pm. A separate letter and sponsor form is attached. One form only is being sent home per family but if you require more, please ask! OSCAR will be holding a cake stall after the event so bring some money! Cakes would also be most appreciated.



Harvest Festival

A reminder that it is our Harvest Festival in Church on Friday, 7th October at 2pm and everyone is welcome to attend. We are supporting our charity 'Send a Cow' chosen by the School Council. You will receive an envelope with this newsletter in which we'd like you to place a family donation - whatever you feel appropriate. The envelopes should be returned by next Friday when they will be collected together and presented in Church. See - <http://www.sendacow.org.uk/> This charity helps thousands of African families grow enough food to eat, sell their produce and develop small businesses that last. They provide training, livestock, seeds and ongoing support helping families and orphans leave poverty for good. You will be able to take your child home after the service which should last approximately 45 minutes.

OSCAR AGM

A reminder OSCAR's AGM is on Thursday, 6th October at 7.30pm in school. Everyone is welcome to attend and refreshments will be available. Do try and join us. There is no obligation to come onto the committee, although this would be lovely, and see what our PTFA OSCAR is all about.

Non-Pupil Day

A reminder that it is a non-pupil day on Monday. Children should be back in school as usual on Tuesday, 4th October.

Parents Evenings

These have been set for Wednesday, 19th October and Thursday, 20th October - see separate letter. Please return the time/day requests by next Friday at the latest. There will be no KS1 or KS2 Sports Club during this week because of parents evenings.

Good luck to Lewis and Georgia's Dad, of the Otter Inn, who is beginning his challenging cycle ride from John O'Groats to Lands End to raise money and awareness of the **Baton** and its causes. See www.thebaton.co.uk for further information about the charity and www.otterwheels.co.uk for information and how to donate.

Claire Cowlard, Headteacher

"Well Done" to the following children.

Headteacher's Pupil of the Week Awards: (Certificate and squash & snack with Mrs Cowlard!)

Foundation: Maddie for always being so helpful and joining in classroom activities

Year 1: Cally for terrific taking away in maths

Year 2: Katy for showing us how hard a year 2 can work

Year 3: Michael for doing such a good book review - twice!

Year 4: Edward for his brilliant imagination when planning a menu for a cat!

Year 5: Charlotte for great questions and answers in our WW2 work

Year 6: Charlie for excellent tables work this week

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