

Our school and its links to communities

Offwell School is part of a number of different communities and we try to fulfil an active and supportive role in each.

The immediate school community is made up of the children, the families' parents, the staff, the governors, the grandparents and friends. We seek their opinion on many school matters and actively need their support to function as a proactive and inspiring school.



The wider school community embraces all the other schools in the Honiton Learning Community and some from Exeter, Europe and Africa. Offwell was recently awarded the School Games Gold Award for Sports which is in some way due to our participation in a number of sporting opportunities organised by Honiton schools. We have some already planned for this term and the children really benefit from the

competition, the chance to meet other school children and just generally being active.

Our links with Exeter and beyond are as a result of our joining the Erasmus + Link. Children have already visited schools in Spain and Exeter and are shortly going to Italy and Latvia. The experiences gave the children more confidence in themselves and allowed them to see what happens elsewhere.



Outside the school environment we are also part of the community that includes Honiton. Many of our children took part in the 'Animal Agents' the 'Summer Reading Challenge 2017' organised by the brilliant and supportive Honiton Library. Linda the lovely lady from the local library (an example of alliteration!) visits

our school regularly to encourage the children in a love of reading.

We also support the Honiton Food Bank in our Harvest services. Nationally we join the community that supports Red Nose Day, Comic Relief, Children in Need and many other worthwhile events.

Active and healthy communities are vital to people's lives and Offwell School is proud of its support of such a varied number of groups.

Next month we will be telling you which children are taking roles within the school community. This will include House Captains, School Councillors and Ethos Committee. All these children will play an important role within our communities to make us the best we can be.

Advance notification about an Open Day on the afternoon of Tuesday 21 November – more details to follow but all welcome.