

# Offwell C of E Primary School

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



Dear Friends and Families of Offwell,

## Highlight of the week for the whole school:

Getting used to our new classes and seeing our friends again!

**Welcome back!** To all: those of you returning to the same class, but a new year group; those in a new class, getting to know new children and adults; and a huge Offwell welcome for our new families starting this September (in nearly every class!). I hope the 'Day in My Class' Social Stories shared by each class teacher via email and available on Google Classroom were helpful. You can also enjoy the short film of our school, created in the Summer Term by videographer Varrie Nielsen; you might even spot people you know!

We will continue to work our hardest for our children, to very best education, following our vision:

**Be Well** – All our children feel safe and cared for: they understand the importance of physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing for themselves and others.

**Learn Well** – All our children enjoy learning: they know their strengths and have the skills and knowledge to make good progress achieve their full academic potential, at each stage.

**Live Well** – All our children demonstrate our values in action: they engage in opportunities to make their home, class, school, community and environment better for all.

## Our School Values

This year, we will be reviewing and refreshing our values, so that we can engage in those vital conversations about what we believe and what we do to make the world a better place for all. Discussing our values and what we feel helps us to reach a shared understanding about our common purpose. I am interested in your views, of course, because we rely upon your role in promoting good values in our children, as always! Here is a quick reminder of ours:

## Caring, Sharing, Honesty, Loyalty, Forgiveness and Compassion



**Our Friday Celebration and Collective Worship** will return to being held in St Mary's Church, on Friday afternoon from next week (17<sup>th</sup>) from 2.30pm – 2.55pm (we need to leave church just before 3). Parents will be informed by their class teacher about specific dates to attend. We ask that any adults able to attend use hand sanitiser on entry and wear a mask for the time being.

**After School Club** is available Monday to Friday until 5.30pm, in Willow Class, this half-term. Please make all arrangements in advance, to ensure the appropriate staffing levels.



Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021



**PTFA car Treasure Hunt and cream tea on Sunday 26th September at 2pm followed by the Grand raffle.**

Please return any sold tickets to school with payment and if anyone requires extra tickets to sell, please do ask! If all raffle tickets (sold or unsold!) could be returned by 17th September that would be really helpful

Many thanks for supporting the PTFA in helping raise money to supply the school library that all the Children of Offwell School see the benefit, it really is appreciated!

Car Treasure Hunt entry is £5 per car with prize for the winner, gather your family and friends for a fun Sunday afternoon solving the clues around the local area followed by a yummy cream tea and maybe a prize on the raffle!

Thank you the PTFA

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## **Parent Governors**

Please see the separate information being sent home today. We now have 2 vacancies for the role of Parent Governor on our Board. David Pavey has been a governor for nearly 8 years and now his children have both moved on to secondary school, he has stood down. We thank him for all his support and help throughout this period. If you think you may be interested but want more information, please get in touch with myself, Mrs Davey or our Chair of Governors, Mr Ian Wallace.

## **Honiton Library**

is now starting a Welcome Back campaign aimed at anyone who hasn't returned to the library since the start of COVID. The Library is open and ready to help supply people with books. They are holding a book return amnesty between 8<sup>th</sup> September and 8<sup>th</sup> October when anything can be returned with no questions asked!

## **Honiton Rugby Club**

Honiton Rugby Club is planning to hold a taster session as part of a recruitment drive on the 19th September at 10am. All are welcome to come along and get involved regardless of experience.

For further information visit:

[www.pitchero.com/clubs/honitonrfc](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/honitonrfc)

Lorna Legg

'Be healthy in body and strong in spirit and may all go well with you...'