

Offwell C of E Primary School

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



Dear Friends and Families of Offwell,



Highlights of the Week:

Ash: Crawling into our igloo to snuggle up by the fire and read one of our winter story books.

Willow: Beginning to make our animations.

Beech: Creating our own digestive systems from a pair of tights!

Oak: Our football following Liverpool FC's training systems.



This week, as part of developing our focus on the core aspect of our vision, **Learn Well**, I have asked children to give me their ideas about learning. These important questions and answers form a part of a new display in our entrance. Here are some of the answers from different children and classes:

How do we learn?

Esme in Ash: Try doing it and doing it again.

Child in Willow: You learn from your mistakes.

Taylor in Beech: By listening to the teacher and practising.

Child Oak: You can learn by doing things, practising things, experiencing things and learning by your mistakes.

Why do we Learn?

Freddie in Ash: Because I would like to be a palaeontologist.

Child in Willow: To know things that we don't know.

Tilly in Beech: To help us get jobs when we are older.

Isla in Oak: We learn to create a good education and future.

What wonderful, reflective answers! With such thoughtful responses, we can feel confident that our children are well on their way to finding the joy in learning that will make their life-long journey a real success.



Friday, 11th February 2022



Stars of the Week

Ash- Esme

Willow – Lexie & Jessica

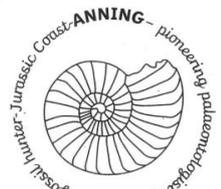
Beech – Fiona & Amelia

Oak – Polly

House Points



68



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Well done Attenborough!

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This week has also been a time to learn about, or reflect upon:

Safer Internet Day. Research released today by the UK Safer Internet Centre (UKSIC), reveals young people's experience with online games and apps, and exposes the importance of staying safe during online game play. Important when respondents report at least one negative emotion in various gaming situations. This includes seeing someone being mean or nasty (**73%**), seeing someone cheat (**73%**), and falling out with a friend (**68%**) when playing an online game. Additionally, **38%** of young people who play online games say they have experienced offensive or mean comments from other game players once per week or more.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/safer-internet-day-2022-research-findings-revealed>

Children's Mental Health Week, on the theme of **Growing Together**, encourages children (and adults) to consider how they have grown and how they can help others to grow. We all want our children to become people who understand their own emotions and how to stay mentally healthy and people who help others to feel better too.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

UK Race Equality Week - an annual UK-wide movement uniting thousands of organisations and individuals to address the barriers to race equality in the workplace: Actions, not just words.

<https://www.raceequalitymatters.com/race-equality-week/>



Lorna Legg

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



Torbay & Devon Civic Award

Oak Class continue with their fundraising efforts as part of the Civic Award. Ben has decided to climb up Snowdon in April to support a charity, probably the first weekend, but that may change.... weather permitting. He is raising money for the Llanberis Mountain Rescue Team (hopefully he won't need them) It's about a 8-9 mile route. Visit his Just Giving page to find out more.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/benjamin-hodder>

Class Photos

As advised to you in the week, we postponed the class photographs due to be taken this week until Thursday, 3rd March due to the number of children off school either with Covid-19 or otherwise unwell.

Author Visit

Similarly, we have postponed the author visit, Laura Wall, until after the half term break as so many of our children would have missed this fantastic experience. We will hold on to the payments already made as the visit will happen this term.