

Oak Hill Church of England Primary School



Newsletter Friday 15th July 2022

Sport's Day

A stunning morning of competition, fellowship and challenges! It was lovely to watch the children compete and support each other in our Sport's Day. Thank you to the staff and the House Leaders for organising and running such a fantastic morning. Thank you to all the parents who came to watch, cheer and join us for a picnic lunch at Dumbleton Cricket Club. The staff are already saying that they are going to have to up their picnic game for next year having seen the fantastic parents' efforts!!





Hot Weather Forecast

As you are probably aware, a heatwave warning has been issued for Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July. Temperatures are predicted to reach 35/36 degrees Celsius in the afternoon (with a 'feels like' temperature of 37/38 degrees Celsius). In order to try and keep the school community as safe as possible, and following local and national guidance, we are making adaptations for these days.

What we will do:

- Children can attend these days in non-uniform, wearing cool, light and loose clothing.
- Outside activities will be carried out in shaded areas, and the hottest parts of the day will be avoided.
- Children will be encouraged to drink plenty of water and refill their bottles frequently.
- We recognise that different children cope with heat in different ways, and you know your children best, so if you feel your child will struggle in school in the afternoon heat we are offering an optional pick-up time of 1pm on both Monday and Tuesday. If you plan to collect your child at 1pm please email the office.

What you can do:

- It is essential that children bring a water bottle into school so they can keep hydrated in the high temperatures.
- Please ensure your child has a sun hat and sun cream applied.
- Choose appropriate clothing for your child that helps them to feel comfortable but also protected from the sun. No crop tops, hotpants or tracksuit bottoms please.
- Collect your child at 1pm if you feel they would be adversely affected by the afternoon heat at school.

Thank you for your continued support and stay safe in the heat!

Leaver's Service

Our Leaver's Service this year will be on Wednesday 20th July at 10am. The service will be in the morning this year as there is a funeral taking place in the afternoon. We would love for you to join us at St Margaret's Church in Alderton to celebrate all of our leavers this year.

Alderton Site

Move to one site from September 2022

We are still planning to complete the furniture move on Monday and Tuesday; the van is booked. We may have to change plans because of the heat. Thank you to everyone for their offers of help.

Edward's Swim

Edward undertook a sponsored swim for CCAA, a charity that supports his younger brother and family. - [CCAA | Supporting Children With Arthritis | Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis | JIA CCAA | Children's Chronic Arthritis Association | JIA Charity](#).

He came up with the idea all by himself, wanting to do something when he could see Logan starting to struggle again. The aim was to swim at least a 100m nonstop but he smashed it by swimming 300m! The challenge was made harder by swimming at Sandford Lido - in a cold(ish) 50m pool. So far he has raised in excess of £500!

To read more on his story please see: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Katherine-Payne14?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=Katherine-Payne14&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=aa874099ec984b3c8706fc8c197bc0f6.

Well done Edward, an amazing achievement. We are very proud of your efforts.



Summer Eating Support

Many companies are showing support to families over the summer during this cost of living crisis. The photo below shows some of the deals that are in place to support.

KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022



MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

HUNGRY HORSE

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

BELLA ITALIA

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.



Reading With Your Child

If you are looking to develop your child's reading by getting them to read a wider range of authors, then the following link is great. It gives ideas of other authors and books that might fit if your child is interested in Harry Potter for example.

https://www.booksfortopics.com/branching-out?utm_campaign=e520a55a-b258-4c18-bb1c-af7c53c12e29&utm_source=so&utm_medium=mail&cid=d4b0e313-251d-478c-97a1-b9d00cdb7fef



Computers for Africa

We have had a clear out of some old computer equipment. Thanks to Mrs Kettle for arranging for these desktops and laptops to go and support schools in Africa.



Online Safety

In terms of the esteem it's held in, women's football has made impressive progress in a short space of time. That's a bit like the online world: it's come a long way, but that doesn't mean we should stop trying to make it even better. The Women's European Football Championships are underway, and that's a timely reminder of how important it is to give everyone the respect they deserve online – regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, religion, or anything else. In partnership with the Global Equality Commission, we've produced a special #WakeUpWednesday guide to help young fans kick online discrimination into touch!



Winchcombe Foodbank

Winchcombe Foodbank is based at Encounter Church from 1.30-3pm every Tuesday. Please see northcotswold.foodbank.org.uk for more details.

Red Banana Drama

Gloucestershire County Council and Red Banana Drama are offering **FREE DRAMA ACTIVITY DAYS** this Summer, including a hot meal!

Anyone aged 8-12 years old can come along from 10am-2pm and you can choose from two locations:

The Bishops Cleeve Community Building

1st, 2nd, 3rd, August and 15th, 16th August

Dumbleton Village Hall

8th, 9th, 10th, August and 17th August

Children are welcome to come to up to 4 sessions

Children can expect a fun filled day of games, story making, character creating, comedy and more!

For more information or to enquire about booking a place please contact Kerry at redbananadrama@yahoo.co.uk or go direct to the councils booking site at [Event Search | Tewkesbury District](#)

Holiday Activity and Food Programme

HAF is available during the summer holidays and bookings are open from 11 July. www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf

Alderton Village Produce and Craft Show

Saturday 10 September 2022 in Alderton Village Hall

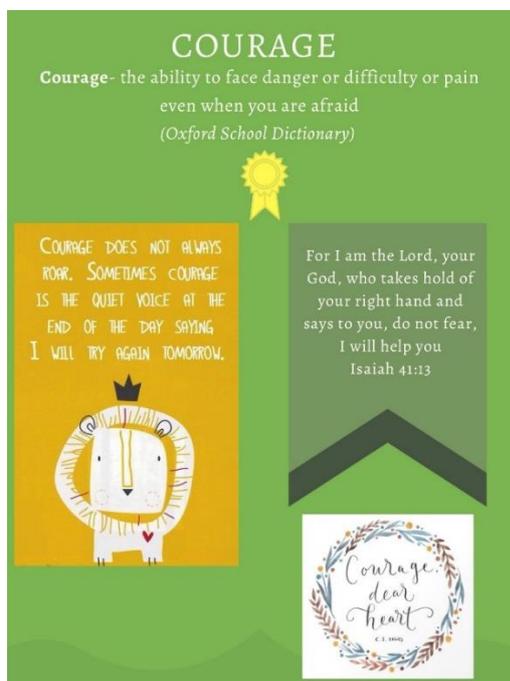
This is a lovely community event open to all children at Oak Hill School. There are lots of different classes to take part in and it's free for children to enter. At the last show in 2019, Alana Burton won the cup for best junior entry with her painted pebbles and Charlie Swift won the best cover design which will feature on this year's show schedule. The children have already designed a cover for next year and the winning design will be announced at the show.

Under 8s classes
Something I grew
Something I made
Something I drew or painted.
Under 12s classes

A Lego model designed by yourself
A painting or drawing of sunflowers
A garden on a plate
A vegetable animal
5 decorated cup cakes
5 cookies

If you would like any more details or a show schedule (available in August) please contact Sian on stryner@btinternet.com

Our Christian Values



Church Services

9.00am Great Washbourne
10.30am Dumbleton

Dumbleton

We have been working together at the Dumbleton base this week, finishing off any unfinished work and working on some joint projects whilst the packing has been in full swing! The children have been fantastic helpers and have shown great teamwork on their projects. In small teams, the children

designed their very own water theme park, complete with rides, attractions and fun activities. They created very detailed designs that show a great deal of careful thought and planning.

The children have also been busy with a puppet show project, where they designed and made their own stick puppets, wrote a script and used the iPads to film their puppet show whilst performing it to the rest of the class.

The latest photos from the James Webb telescope have sparked the children's interest this week, and we have had some very interesting and thought provoking discussions about what these photos show, their scale and whether we think there is other life in the universe. It tied in very well with our work on Creation in RE, where we have been thinking about how to look after our precious planet and writing prayers of thanks to God.

Hawthorn Class

This week in Hawthorn, our focus has been on PSHE and, in particular, how bodies and relationships change as we grow. Year 3 have thought about special people in our lives and the make-up of different families. This prompted some very interesting conversations and we have emphasized that all families are celebrated including mixed race, same-sex, fostered and adopted families. Year 4 have begun to look at puberty and the changes that happen not only to the body but also to emotions and relationships, in particular, how teenagers' relationships with parents can change. 'Compromise' was the key word here and it was interesting to try to see things from both points of view. There were some giggles and red faces when we talked about changing bodies and periods but I was really impressed with how keen the children were to learn and with their questions. I have answered these in line with the RSE framework but suggested they might like to ask parents if they have any further questions, particularly if their questions related to topics are not covered until further up the school.

In other news, we have continued to look at Botanical art and had a go at copying some of the artist Katie Scott's beautiful illustrations. On Tuesday afternoon the juniors came together to have a go at making marble runs and on Wednesday as part of our History topic, we watched a Horrible Histories special about Boudica. To finish the term, we will be using our knowledge of coordinates to make treasure maps and, hopefully, if it's not too hot next week, have a go at making some sun prints.

Juniper Class

The children have had a very busy week. On Monday they did a fantastic job of helping to relocate all of the furniture and resources from the end room into the hall. The children then worked with Year 3 and 4 to help swap the classrooms. We have then been working in the upstairs classroom all week.

The children then finished their building projects, did an amazing job and they all look fantastic.

In History, the children explored the ancient Olympics making comparisons to the modern Olympics. There are many traditions set in ancient times that are still a big part of the modern day Olympics.

The children have also been focusing on PHSE this week, listening to and engaging with our topics in a really respectful way.

On Tuesday afternoon, the children joined with Year 3 and 4 to create unique marble runs using classroom items. They were really unique and creative and the children showed great team work.

The Year 6 children have been working as a group this week to put together something special for the leavers service next week.

We had a fantastic morning Thursday during sports day. Lots of smiles and great team spirit was shown by all and excellent effort from the house captains in the house captains race!

On Friday we had our final swimming lesson. The children were able to have fun in the water and reflect on all their progress during swimming this year.



Stars of the Week

Maple

Maple Star: Tallulah for brilliant effort with your reading

Maple Value: Katie for super perseverance on sports day

Willow

Star of the Week: Reuben for being a great help at sports day

Value of the Week: Edward for having a brilliant attitude this week and being so helpful around the classroom

Hawthorn

Star of the Week: Betsy for having a brilliant week all round; being helpful in the classroom, helping the little ones during sports day and for supporting her team!

Value of the Week: Paige for fully embracing sports day, participating, encouraging others, giving her all and earning points for her team.

Juniper

Value of the Week: Archie demonstrating all our values and being so courageous in the play as our narrator.

Star of the Week: Harris great comparative work in history.

House Points

Ruby – 148

Emerald – 100

Diamond – 80

Sapphire - 71

Diary Dates

Please be aware that these may be subject to change.

July

20th End of Term