

NEWSLETTER

Offley Endowed Primary School and Nursery Newsletter : 9th February 2024

Message from the Head

This week, most of the newsletter has been handed over to Miss O'Connor's year 6 computing class. They have been working on improving skills using word. They have described some of the goings on this past week. Thank you year 6. Your help is appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend and hopefully the rain will hold off so we can get out and about.

Mr Edwards and Bandit.

On 7th February 2024, year 5 and 6 went to sing at Stagenhoe. On the previous Friday we had been to Young Voices, so we shared some songs from the performance. We met a lovely lady, who at first was crying, because she had children our age and she was too sick so they couldn't see her. As soon as they started singing the lady was full of joy and sang along. We enjoyed talking to the residents there. After the performance the lady said "you guys are so good you should be on Britain's got talent, I'm sure you would win!" We think it is important to go to Stagenhoe because they don't get many visitors and when we go it lifts and touches the hearts of the residents as they get to listen to the beautiful singing. I am very proud of year 5 and 6 and I hope you are too.

By Saskia and Amelia



REWARDS

Nursery— Iremide, Aurora, Grace

Reception— Sebastian and Grace B

Year 1—James D and Freddie

Year 2— Ben and Laura

Year 3 - Isla and George W,

Year 4/5 - Ramsey and Archie C

Yr 5/6 - Scarlett, Zack and Amelia

Birthdays— There are no birthdays this week.

Bandit gave an award out to Joshua B for reasons best known to very few!



Year One continued with their design and technology and science curriculum this week. This lesson saw them testing their rockets by launching them in the hall. Data was gathered and some maths work was completed in their computing lesson. Great job year 1!

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This week the eco committee and Mrs Clark organised an afternoon of fun activities as well as an after-school café called the Wonderful Nature Café. Eco club members made posters as well as an area for fun facts about how to help wildlife. Later in the day Miss O'Connor introduced us to over-wintering which is about taking hedgehogs who are too small and helping them throughout the winter and letting them go when they are the size of a pineapple. She introduced us to one of her rescue hedgehogs who she named Bertie.

By Maggie C and Jacob P

On Wednesday 7th February 2024 we took part in Regrown week activities to do with wellbeing and getting back to nature. One of the activities was learning about conservation (how to help protect wildlife). We were learning about what is happening to hedgehogs (like this one) and other local wildlife and how we can help them. How you can help:

- By leaving gaps in fences
- Leaving out little sources of water
- Add log piles to your garden to encourage minibeast.
- Grow more flower and plants to attract insects and bees.

We were very lucky because Miss O'Connor brought a hedgehog into the school. She found him and looked after it because it was too small to survive winter hibernation.

By Scarlett

Planting/Virtual tree walk

We were sorted into our house groups to do activities to celebrate Regrown week. We learnt how reconnecting with nature can be good for our wellbeing. One of the activities we did was planting. We sprinkled salad seeds into the soil and every child took a pot home to take care of. We can eat all the things we are growing.

Another activity was a virtual tree walk, which was a video of a forest walk. In the same activity we also did a Tree Quiz and Mrs. Clark announced the scores at the end. Spencer came first, Salusbury and Lloyd came joint 2nd and Harrison 3rd. We really enjoyed all the activities.

By Jacob D And Gabrielle H

Animal Collages

During this activity we made little pictures of animals and plants. We are working together to make one big school collage when it is finished we will display it on the Eco Club board. We are making this picture because we are trying to improve the world altogether.

By Zack and Amelia

In the afternoon we had a Wonderful Nature Café organised by Mrs Clark and Eco Club, where parents and other adults from the community could come for a hot drink and cake. They didn't have to pay with money, they had to pay with happiness instead.

By Kelsey



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Young Voices 2024—Wembley Arena

Our Year 4, 5 and 6 children were part of more 5,000 children in the spectacular Young Voices concert this year. Roared on by over 8,000 parents, grandparents and other friends and relatives the children sang their hearts out throughout the evening.

'I love Nadi Bushall; young and incredible!' - Maggie H

'I'm not that close to Archie S and Asa, but at Young Voices we became really good friends.' - Bella A

'I loved the lighting during the Moana mash-up as it looked like waves going across the whole choir.' - Clodagh

'I had so much fun getting to know my classmates better at Young Voices.' - Maggie C

'Lunch and dinner was so much fun!' - Anya

'The fireworks were amazing and I loved seeing live musicians.' - Gabrielle



PLEASE PAY FOR ALL WRAP-AROUND CARE AT THE TIME OF BOOKING.

THE ZIG ZAG LINES MUST BE KEPT FREE AT ALL TIMES; THIS IS IN CASE WE REQUIRE EMERGENCY VEHICLES ON SITE & ALSO TO KEEP OUR PEDESTRIANS NEAR THE SCHOOL SAFE.

Please find time to check out the OSA facebook page and remember that we need quiz teams for Friday 15th March - all funds raised go towards your children!

Day	Date	Mth	Offley Endowed: Future Dates for your diary
Mon	12th	Feb	Cycle Ready—Years 4, 5 and 6 all week
Mon	12th	Feb	Beauty and the Beast—The Priory School for years 5 and 6
Wed	14th	Feb	Year 2—Polar Museum trip to Cambridge
Fri	16th	Feb	Break up for half term—3.10pm
Mon	26th	Feb	Return to school after half term
Fri	1st	Mar	Secondary school places offered
Thur	7th	Mar	World Book Day—Author visiting the school—dress a spoon
Thur	7th	Mar	Parent consultation 15:30—17:30
Mon	11th	Mar	Living Eggs arrive
Tues	12th	Mar	Parent Consultation 17:00—19:30
Wed	13th	Mar	Road Safety—Year 4, 5 and 6
Fri	15th	Mar	OSA Quiz Night—please enter your teams
Mon	18th	Mar	Farm Visits begin today
Tues	26th	Mar	Year 2 trip to Herrings Green
Thur	28th	Mar	Easter Service followed by Easter Egg Hunt / Break up at 1:30pm
Fri	29th	Mar	Good Friday Bank Holiday
Mon	15th	Apr	Children return to school