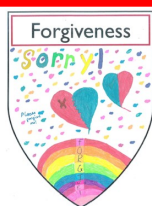


Oldswinford Cof E Primary School

'Believe, achieve and shine brighter together'



Spring Newsletter: 8th March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers in school for our parents' evenings this week. Thank you for supporting our PTA and buying the doughnuts! I hear they were delicious! I loved seeing the children show off all of their work - they all seemed really proud of it.

It has also been AMAZING to see all the wonderful costumes across school for World Book Day! It never ceases to amaze me how creative and keen everyone is to get involved... Thank you!

Next Friday is Comic Relief so children can come in their own clothes and bring a donation for charity. There is no set amount for this donation - anything will help. Thank you in advance of your support. The following Friday (22nd March) is 'Wear a Hat' Day which Evie in Year 4 has asked us to do as it supports Brain Tumour Research - something that she and her family are very passionate about. Her mum has written a letter all about Evie's journey and to raise awareness that we will send home with this newsletter. There is also a link to a fundraising page if you would like to donate.

Have a lovely weekend,
Ellie Game

Value of the half term...

Hope

This week we looked at different symbols of hope that we have in our world. This included: rainbows, doves, Easter Lilies, a new day, a cross, an olive branch, a clover. We then asked everyone to see which one they thought brought them hope.

In class worship this week, children were asked to design their own symbols of hope that they could use if they ever felt a bit down. I have seen some brilliant pictures from Year 5 who have combined their own thoughts and some of the images we shared to create their own pictures of hope.

Attendance

This week our attendance has been...

Reception - 94.2%

Year 1 - 95.2%

Year 2 - 96.7%

Year 3 - 96.8%

Year 4 - 96.4%

Year 5 - 97.7%

Year 6 - 99.1%

Well done Year 6 for your amazing attendance this week.

Parking

I have had another complaint from one of our neighbours regarding parking near our Marlborough Drive gate. They have sent some photographs to me which do show unsafe and inconsiderate parking.

They have asked me to share that they will be contacting and reporting incidents to Dudley Civil Parking Enforcement Team which could result in a penalty charge notice.

I know the roads are busy but please park, sensibly. Thank you for your support.



LITTLE NETTERS

Easter Netball Camps

25th - 26th March



The Wordsley School

Brierley Hill Road, Stourbridge
DY8 5SP

£35 per Day



Ages 6 - 11

- First aiders on site at all times
- All Coaches DBS checked

£60 for Both
Days



Activities

- Fun Games
- Skills and Drills
- Team Building
- Crafts
- Much more!

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This information has been shared with me by another parent who thought that there might be other families who would be interested.

A Mind of their Own:

Anxiety levels and struggles with mental wellbeing are on the rise in children, but mums and dads have incredible power to help their kids build strong emotional resilience. This event from Care for the Family explores how we can do this. At *A Mind of Their Own* they'll look at the unique opportunities and pressures facing young people today, as well as the science of the mind, and why children act and react the way they do. You'll come away with practical tools to see your children through the difficult times, and an established confidence in knowing you're the best person to help your child.

Sign up today: cff.org.uk/moto



A Mind of Their Own

Building our Children's Emotional Wellbeing

Coventry
4 June

Aberdeen
18 June

Wolverhampton
5 June

Dunfermline
19 June

Swindon
6 June

Glasgow
20 June

Free MMR vaccine pop-up clinic every Saturday in March



Who can attend?

The vaccine is available to children aged from **three years and four months old up to people born from 1970**. Parents and carers are encouraged to take their children to have their first or second MMR jab and get themselves up-to-date at the same time.

Anyone who isn't sure if they or their children have already had both of their vaccines can check their child's red book (personal child health record), check the NHS app, or contact their GP practice.

People can attend if they are registered with any GP practice or not.

Is a pork-free vaccine available?

Yes. A porcine and gelatine-free vaccine is available on request.

Do I need to book?

Either book through your GP practice, or you can just turn up on the day.

Measles is spreading fast. To protect residents three free measles, mumps and rubella vaccine clinics are taking place across the borough every Saturday in March.

Two doses of the MMR vaccine provide lifelong protection against measles, mumps and rubella.

When and where are the clinics?

Saturday 9 March

- 9am to 12.30pm - Woodsetton Medical Centre, Dudley DY3 1AF
- 9am to 4pm - Brierley Hill Health and Social Care Centre DY5 1RU
- 10am to 2.30pm - Mary Stevens Park, Stourbridge DY8 2AA

Saturday 16 March

- 9am to 12.30pm - Northway Medical Centre Sedgley DY3 3QY
- 9am to 4pm - Brierley Hill Health and Social Care Centre DY5 1RU
- 10am to 2.30pm - Dudley Town Centre, by the fountain DY1 1PN

Saturday 23 March

- 9am to 12.30pm - Castle Meadows Surgery, Milking Bank DY1 2TY
- 9am to 4pm - Brierley Hill Health and Social Care Centre DY5 1RU
- 10am to 2.30pm - Halesowen Town Centre, Lower Somers Square B63 3AE

Saturday 30 March

- 9am to 12.30pm - Bath Street Medical Centre, Sedgley DY3 1LS
- 9am to 4pm - Brierley Hill Health and Social Care Centre DY5 1RU
- 10am to 2.30pm - Lye High Street, by the war memorial, outside Christ Church DY9 8LQ



Storytime & Crafts



Fri 5th April 2024, 10.30am
at Halesowen Library,
Halesowen B63 4AZ

Join Kerrie from
Mary Stevens Hospice for story
time followed by arts & crafts
focusing on loss, grief &
exploring memories.

Parents should attend with their child and siblings
welcome!

5 to 11 yrs

(Free) Booking is essential. Please contact
01384 445423

or email: pafss@marystevenshospice.co.uk