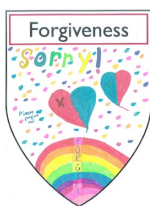


# Oldswinford Cof E Primary School

*'Believe, achieve and shine brighter together'*



## Spring Newsletter: 8th April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for all of your support during this term. We have loved getting back to normal a little bit more. Our children have coped so well with mixing outdoors, behaviour remains excellent and we have loved seeing everyone being able to access hot meals again. We hope that after Easter we will be able to move back to key stage and then whole school worship - Covid permitting.

It has been a busy term with so many things to celebrate - including: World Book day, fundraising for Ukraine, Saints days, Fairtrade fortnight, Comic Relief plus all the amazing learning that has taken place too!

Have a wonderful Easter and we look forward to seeing you all after the holiday.

Ellie Game

## Empathy

This week we have linked our value of empathy to the Easter story. Our worship group in year 5 helped me out with some brilliant acting and narrating as they re-told the Easter story.

Thank you Maisie, Harriet, Seb, Imogen, Annabel, Lillia, Phoebe and Layla.

In classes, we then looked for examples of Empathy (Simon helping to carry Jesus' cross) and we also found many examples of a lack of empathy.

## Pupil premium and Free School Meals

If your child is in Reception, years one or two, you will automatically be entitled for free meals under the new 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' criteria. However if you do meet the criteria listed below then you can to submit an online claim and your child's school could receive Pupil Premium funding and your child may be entitled to receive free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit Run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (you must have less than £616.67 a month net earned income (after tax - and not including any benefits)

This is the link to apply: <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/benefits/free-school-meals>



Well done Harriet for your brilliant poster to help keep the streets around school clean. They will be appearing on the fences over the holiday!  
Well done!



## Easter Egg Competition Winners

Well done to everyone who took part - it was incredibly difficult to choose the winner but here they are..... CONGRATULATIONS!

