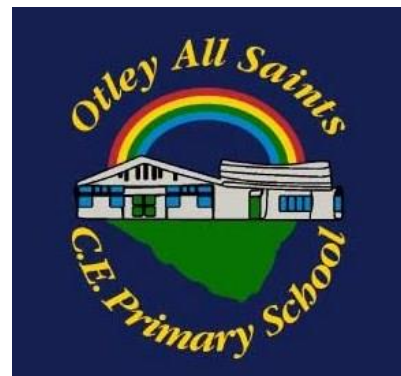


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What a fantastic time Year 6 pupils have had on their residential visit to Winmarleigh Hall this week! The photos on the blog (<https://year6winmarleigh2019.wordpress.com/>) show how much they were challenged and thrilled by the activities on offer – and how blessed with the weather! Many

thanks to Miss Dales, Mrs Marston and Mrs Bowes-Taylor for making this trip possible; it has been one of those special events that they will always remember.

**Parent Teachers Association** Many thanks to all the parents who were able to attend our AGM this week. I am delighted to say that Lucy Kassell has agreed to take on the role of chair, with Sara Quin and Ani Earney jointly serving as vice-chairs. We are grateful to our secretary, Kate Barraclough, our treasurer, Angela Hammond, and our 50:50 Club convenor, Beth Johnson, who have all agreed to continue in their current roles. We would like to thank all the regular attenders of PTA meetings for their hard work and support which has made possible so many improvements to the school. Plans are now in hand for our popular Pyjama Party Film Night (22<sup>nd</sup> October), a Quiz Night on 15<sup>th</sup> November, a 'glow disco' on 12<sup>th</sup> December, and for our Christmas Fair on 7<sup>th</sup> December. Our next PTA meeting is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm. All parents are welcome, and it would be particularly good to see more families who are new to the school.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning** On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September we are joining in with the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Our Year 6 pupils will host this opportunity to enjoy a drink and a bun with friends in the hall between 9.00 and 10.15am. All the money raised will help make sure that families affected by cancer have the support of trained



This half term our core Christian value is:



## Diary Dates

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September** – Celebrating Achievement Assembly, 10.25am;
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** – Individual pupil photographs
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September** – Bob Hartman, storyteller, in school
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September** – Macmillan Coffee Morning, 9.00am-10.15am
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October** – Harvest Festival at All Saints Church, 2.00pm
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents' Consultation Evening
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Children's author Tom Palmer in school
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – KS2 Film Night, 5.30pm
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Half term begins



nurses and advisers. You can help us, either by baking buns, biscuits and cakes (these should be brought to school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September) or by coming along during the morning. Hope to see you there!



**Good Diabetes Care in School Award** We are delighted that our school has once again gained this special award in recognition of our support for a pupil with Type 1 diabetes. Nominated by parents and supported by health professionals, it is wonderful to see the dedication and commitment of staff being recognised in this way. A special thank you to all involved.

**Congratulations, Mrs Lewis!** We are very happy to share the news that Mrs Lewis' baby was born on Tuesday. Baby Raegan weighed 6lb 10oz, and is already home with her proud parents and big sister. Congratulations to the whole family!

**Car-Free Leeds** As you may know, this Sunday (September 22<sup>nd</sup>) is World Car-Free Day, and Leeds City Council has designated Boroughgate in Otley as one of the streets set to close in celebration from noon until 5pm. Otley will be hosting a family-friendly street party with picnic tables, children's entertainment, Morris dancing and a parade of the town criers who will be taking part in the Otley Town Crier competition in neighbouring Market Place. There will also be stalls from a number of environmental organisations, setting out a cleaner air vision of the future. Do go along and show your support if you can.

**Online Safety Evening** Prince Henry's will be running an online safety evening on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 6:30pm, open to all parents who may be looking for sensible advice about how to set up their homes for safe online access. During the evening they will provide some guidance and very practical tips about how to protect your child when they are accessing online content. Amongst other things the evening will include home internet/ISP content filters, YouTube, Google, iPad, XBOX, Playstation and social media filter settings, and safe browser apps. If you would like to attend please would you make direct contact with Prince Henrys and make them aware either through [info@princehenrys.co.uk](mailto:info@princehenrys.co.uk) or on 01943 463524.



**Individual School Photographs** On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September the school photographer will be visiting to take photos of individual pupils and family groups. Please help us to ensure a smart turn out on this day. Parents of children in Nursery who do not normally attend on Wednesday morning may have photos taken at 8.30am, also families who would like group shots taken with children who are too young to attend nursery. Thank you for your help with this.



**Harvest Festival** Our first church service of the year is our Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October, and we extend a very warm welcome to all our families to attend. This will be held in All Saints Church, and all the children from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part, with each class contributing to the service. We would like to encourage all who can to donate harvest gifts, and this year we have decided to support PAFRAS - Positive Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers, which supports asylum seekers who are destitute or at risk of destitution living in Leeds. Karen Pearce from PAFRAS came to talk to children this week, and explained that they would be delighted to receive packets and tins of food, snacks (protein bars, crisps, biscuits, dried fruit), long-life milk, tea and coffee, sugar, cooking oil, and also toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant, nappies etc.). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Midday Supervisory Assistant needed** We are currently looking for someone to add to our lunchtime supervision team, working between 11.45am and 1.15pm. If you would like to know more about this post please contact the school office.

**Influenza Vaccination Programme** The annual vaccination programme for young children is being extended this year to include pupils from Reception to Year 6, and will take place for our school on 13<sup>th</sup> November. The vaccination is free, and is administered as a quick and simple spray up the nose. Eligible families will soon receive a letter or email about this, inviting you to give your consent for this online. If you do not receive details by the end of this month do let us know, but please note that consent must be given via the online link, we cannot do it for you!