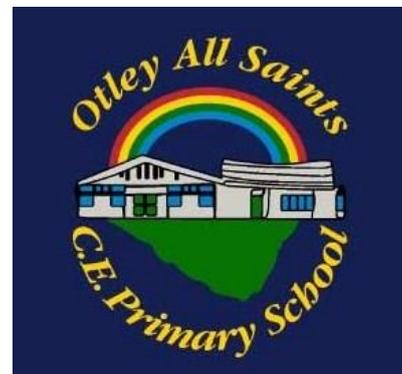


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It was fantastic to welcome author Tom Palmer to our school this week. He came a few years ago to open our refurbished library, but this time he was able to spend longer with us, talking with the older pupils about his work as an author, and also running a very exciting quiz and penalty shoot-out! It was inspirational to hear how he used to be a reluctant reader at school, but through finding the right texts – including magazines and newspapers – he grew to love stories and writing. He certainly received an enthusiastic response from our children, and many pupils are now the proud owner of a signed book!

Parents' Evening Thank you to all parents who came to our recent Parent Consultation evenings. We hope that you found it useful to meet your child's class teacher, and that you have been reassured about the way your child is settling into their new class. Please remember that we are more than happy to talk to you at any other time in the year; if you have a concern or just want an update, don't hesitate to get in touch.



PTA Events We will be hosting a Pyjama Party Film Night showing of 'Toy Story 4' on Tuesday 22nd October. Starting at 5.30pm, refreshments are provided, and the cost of the evening is £2.50. After half term we are looking forward to a Quiz Night on 15th November, a 'glow disco' on 12th December, and our Christmas Fair on 7th December. Our next PTA meeting is on Thursday 7th November at 7.00pm. All parents are welcome, and it would be particularly good to see more families who are new to the school.

Vinyasa Yoga Class This week saw the first of a new yoga evening class, hosted at our school. Vinyasa Flow is a creative style of yoga, in which the postures are linked together and synchronised with the breath. The class is suitable for men and women, and for beginners and those who are more experienced. Prices are £5 drop in, or £22.50 for a 5 class pass. A limited number of yoga mats are available to hire

This half term our core Christian value is:



Diary Dates

- Tuesday 22nd October** – Pyjama Party
Film Night, 5.30pm
Reception Autumn Walk
- Wednesday 23rd October** – Y3 River Walk
- Thursday 24th October** – Y6 Rugby Festival, Prince Henry's
- Friday 25th October** – Half term begins
- Monday 4th November** – Back to school
- Wednesday 6th November** – Y6 Cricket in the Classroom trip
- Thursday 7th November** – PTA meeting, 7.00pm
- Friday 8th November** – Early Years Training Day, Nursery and Reception closed
- Tuesday 12th November** – 'The Science of Sound' workshop in Year 4
Year 1 Courthouse trip
- Wednesday 13th November** – Influenza Vaccinations
Year 6 at 'Everest Lab', Otley Courthouse
- Thursday 14th November** – Year 2 at science fair, Otley Courthouse
Nursery Bun Sale



for £1. Classes are on a Thursday, 6.30-7.30pm; contact school if you are interested, or just drop in!



School Elections Thank you to all pupils who stood for election to be Global Champions last week. There were some excellent presentations and thoughtful discussions before classes made their choices. Global Champions for this year are:

- Year 1 – Ted and Theo
- Year 2 – Darcey and Kaedyn
- Year 3 – Scarlett and William
- Year 4 – Millie and Fran
- Year 5 – Martha and Fin B
- Year 6 – William and Mia

Congratulations to these elected members, who will be meeting over the course of the year with Mrs Binks. Thank you also to all pupils who stood for election to be Library Councillors. Elected councillors are:

- Year 1 – Elsa and Zachary
- Year 2 – Hallie and Harry
- Year 3 – Emily and Lucas
- Year 4 – Olivia and Oliver
- Year 5 – Alex and Maddy
- Year 6 – Esme and Sam

Well done to these pupils, who will be meeting regularly with Mrs Mayo. We look forward to them fulfilling their roles successfully over the coming year.

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 13th November. Eligible families have received a letter or email about this already, inviting you to give your consent for this online. Please ensure you have completed this consent, as we cannot do it for you, and without consent the vaccination cannot take place.



Data Collection Sheets Thank you to everyone who has already returned our annual reminder to update the information we hold about the pupils. It is important that we have, for example, current mobile phone numbers and email addresses to ensure good contact between school and home, particularly in the event of an emergency. Please can families make sure both sides of the yellow sheet are completed fully! Under General Data Protection Regulations, the information we keep is carefully regulated according to our Privacy Notice, which may be seen on our website (<http://www.otleyallsaints.schooljotter2.com/about-us/privacy-notice>). Please return the data collection sheets to the office as soon as possible.

Congratulations, Isla! We have heard this week that Isla in Year 5 has been named as the British Schools' Cycling Association's national best all-rounder in the under 9 girls' competition for 2018 to 2019. This means that she has been recognised in her age group as the best female cyclist in the country! What a fantastic achievement, and a great tribute to her tenacity and hard work. Well done, Isla, we are very proud of you!



Leeds Rhinos Multi Sport Activity Camp This is a half term opportunity – a 4 day camp at Menston St Mary's (Monday 28th – Thursday 31st October, 9.30am to 2.30pm) for 7-14 year olds for only £15. Children will need to bring a packed lunch with them, and suitable footwear and attire for the typical English weather! The camp is exclusively for those living in north west Leeds, and registration is on a first come first served basis. To book, please

contact the Leeds Rhinos Ticket Sales Hotline on 0371 4231315, or apply in person at the Leeds Rugby Store @Emerald Headingley Stadium to avoid a £1.50 booking fee.

Free Poetry Workshops In his role as official Otley Town Poet, Matthew Hedley Stoppard will be delivering three free poetry workshops on Tuesday 29th October at Leeds City Museum, for children aged 5 to 11 years old accompanied by their grown-ups. The sessions will be inspired by the Museum's latest addition, a pilot whale skeleton, and will focus on writing sea shanties from the perspective of the animals that live in the ocean rather than the fishermen and sailors that sail on it. More details and tickets are available at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/whale-tales-sea-shanties-family-poetry-workshop-tickets-76428418457>.