

Spring Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back. I hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year break.

We have received complaints from residents of School Lane regarding parking and use of School Lane. If you are running late, please park in the car park and walk up School Lane to the entrance to sign your child in late.

Now the weather has turned wintry, please ensure your child has a NAMED warm coat, gloves and a scarf with them every day; a NAMED jumper/cardigan is also required. Should you require printed, stick-on (non-iron!) labels, please contact: The Name Label Company based here in Overbury at: www.namelabelco.com or: 01684 472247.

Swimming lessons for Sheldon and Sundial started yesterday; this was week 1 of 10 with the last lesson on Thursday, 21st March.

All Clubs restart next Monday; please contact the office if your child would like to join any.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please come and see me.

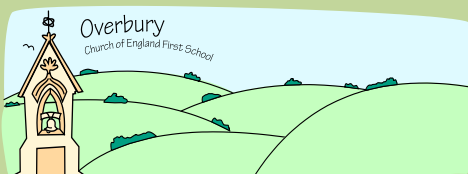
Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Emma Ross

OVERBURY SCHOOL VISION

**Discover, nurture
and share God's gifts.**

At Overbury First School we believe God has given each of us special gifts to enable us to learn and flourish as unique children of God. We seek to act justly, love mercy and to walk humbly, fostering an environment where everyone is treated equitably and pupils develop into compassionate, responsible, individuals who take care of each other, our community and the world in which we live.



CHRISTIAN VALUE: COURAGE

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Mondays:** Move More Multi-Skills: Years 1-5
Art Club: Years 1-5
- Tuesdays:** Private Music Lessons
Move More Sports: Years 1-5
Construction Club: Years 1-5
AT Soccer Club: External
- Wednesdays:** Forest School: Tower Class
Rugby Club: Years 1-5
- Thursdays:** Swimming: Sundial & Sheldon
Animation on Computers: Years 1-5

- 15.Jan Clubs re-start
- 16.Jan Tower & Sheldon: All Things Wild
- 24.Jan Sundial Book Sale
- 26.Jan Friends: School Disco - details tbc
- 31.Jan Move More Parents Workshop 2.15pm with Marijana (* see box)
- 7.Feb Parents Presentation "Reading & Writing" 6pm - School Hall (** details tbc)
- 9.Feb Odd Socks & Waistcoat Day (Sue Ryder)
- 12th → 16th February: Half-term
- 22.March End of Spring Term: 3.15pm

Gloucestershire Families Magazine link for January & February 2024:

<https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/familiesgloucestershirejanuaryfebruary2024digital?fr=xKAE9Szw>

Friday, 12th January 2024



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Don't forget to email the office with any "out of school" achievements your child may have and would like to share and don't forget to include pictures!



Congratulations to Elisha on passing her Gymnastics Grade 1!

READING & WRITING PRESENTATION

Wednesday 7 Feb / 6pm / School Hall
Further details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE!



OVERBURY GRASSHOPPERS

Grasshoppers are recruiting for enthusiastic staff (qualified or non-qualified; hours to suit). If you or someone you know would be interested, please ask them to get in touch with either Sally or Rachel on 01386 725755 or by email at: manager@overburygrasshoppers.co.uk

MOVE-MORE WORKSHOP

Marijana Filipovic-Carter, our Family Engagement and Support Lead from Move-More, is coming in to school on Wednesday, 7th February to host a workshop session for parents. The session will be held before pick-up and the exact topic will be communicated in due course.



PUPIL ATTENDANCE AND SAFEGUARDING

I would like to remind everyone how **very important** it is that your children have **good attendance** at school and that they are **punctual**.

Our attendance and admissions policy can be found on our website but we can also provide a hard copy. Safeguarding is a major statutory requirement for all schools and it is obviously of paramount importance. Part of this is our legal/statutory obligation to know who is in school (under safeguarding including Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023) and, if they are not in school, where they are.

In our school, this means that we ask you to contact us every day to ensure that we know why your child is not in. The Government and NHS guidelines specify a strict 48 hour recovery period for any sickness and diarrhoea; children are not permitted to return to school until a clear 48 hours after their last episode. This really does make a significant difference in preventing the spreading of germs and infections.

Thank you for your support of this.

