ORMSKIRK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- > Friday 7th February 4C Class Worship 'Courage' Parents welcome to attend
- > Friday 7th February Year 5/6 Young Voices Concert Tickets will be sent via email on Wednesday 5th February.
- Friday 14th February 4W Class Worship 'Courage' Parents welcome to attend
- > Mo 17^{th -} Fr 21st February Half Term
- > Tuesday 25th February
 Year 5 Trip to Jodrell
 Bank
- > Tuesday 25th February Parents' Evening 4-6pm for Reception, Year 1/2/3/4/6 4.45-6.45pm for Year 5
- > Thursday 27th February 5-7pm Parents' Evening for all years
- > Thursday 6th March World Book Day
- > Tuesday 1st April Reception Trip to 'Imagine That!' Liverpool
- > Wednesday 2nd April Easter Lunch
- > Mon 7th Fri 18th April Easter Break

HEADTEACHER UPDATES



If you want to see another side of Rev Stuart Haynes, why not watch him live on television on Friday, 4th February, on ITV's The Chase at 5pm? Will he beat the Chaser or be caught? Watch to find out!

Also, please make sure to add the **Parents' Evening**

dates and times to your schedules, as listed in the <u>school calendar</u>. We hope that a few prefects will be on hand to help out. The car park at the bottom of the infant playground will be open for parents to use after 3.50pm on both days, but please drive carefully.

The train will be with us until the end of March, so don't be surprised to see it around on several occasions between now and then. It should add a bit of colour and fun to the grey, cloudy days for the rest of winter. ©

The **Moments of the Month** for January will be shared soon. This month, we have focused on learning across the curriculum in the classroom. If you have any great photos – such as a class worship – please email them to the school office.

Communication Options:

Anything short but urgent - ring the school.

Important but simple messages - use Gateway.

Clubs, etc. - use Gateway.

Attendance – use Gateway (if your child is ill, remember to let us know their symptoms so we can track patterns, and always inform us if they have Chickenpox, Scarlet Fever, etc.).

Term-time holiday requests – email (please read our <u>updated policy</u> on holiday leave on the school website).

Email should only be used for nonurgent communication, as I remind all parents when their children start at our school. I often only catch up on emails at the weekend. If you put 'OCE' in the subject heading, it can help.



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Mon 3 Feb	Tue 4 Feb	Wed 5 Feb	Thu 6 Feb	Fri 7 Feb
Lunchtime				
Year 3-6 Taekwondo* Year 5-6 Netball Year 3-6 Cross Country		Netball squad development	Year 5-6 Choir	Year 4 Netball
Busy Bees Club Library Club	Busy Bees Club Library Club		Busy Bees Club Library Club	Busy Bees Club
After school				
Football Club 3:30 – 4:30	Rec, Year 1-2 Infant Dance Club		Year 1-6 Girl's Football	Year 3-6 Dodgeball 3:30-4:30
Taekwondo** 5:30 – 6:30				

Year 2 to 6: **Busy Bees Club** is in the hall and is a mixture of board games, Lego, chess and art. Children just drop in.

Meanwhile, **Library Club** is silent reading and some puzzles in the library area.

*Taekwondo is paid for a session at a time. Just send your child in with £5 each week. This is held in the gym. **£7 per person or discounted monthly payment options available. First lesson FREE of charge.

QUICK IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Any children arriving early without an adult will be taken to Breakfast Club, and parents will be charged for the session. If you are dropping off for Breakfast Club, please stay with your children until the doors open rather than leaving them on their own.
- There is a speed limit on the main drive and Waterworks Road to safeguard parents and children.
 This also applies when dropping off for Breakfast Club and picking up from After School Club.
- Please ensure that no cuddly toys are brought into school, and nothing is hanging from cardigans.

- Please can parents label ALL items of children's uniform as this means we can return lost items to their owners.
- Please check your child's hair regularly for head lice and treat if needed. Free treatments are available via The Care at The Chemist scheme.
 Keeping long hair tied up helps too.
- We are a nut-free school. Please do not send your children in with nuts or nut products for lunch or break times. We have several children with severe nut allergies in school. Thank you!

CRAZY HAIR DAY FOR A CAUSE!

There will be an opportunity for children to let their hair down (or up and spikey!) on the last Friday of the half term. On Friday, 14th February (Valentine's Day), children can style their hair in all sorts of creative ways on the same day that 4W will be leading an assembly about courage. We will also be collecting donations that day for a charity called The Little
Princess Trust, which supports children who need wigs due to medical conditions or treatments. One of our Y6 girls was particularly inspired by the charity's work, and she is now helping to lead this fundraising event. See the charity's website for more details.

SWIMMING DAYS

Reception, Year 1 on Wednesdays.

Year 2 on Tuesdays afternoon.

Children in <u>2WB will need to be picked up from the swimming pool</u> at the end of the day.

Year 3-4 on Thursday mornings.

All children need a swimming cap (as well as costumes and towels) or they may not be able to swim.

Swim caps can be bought from either office for £5 (cash please).



