



St Osyth C of E Primary School

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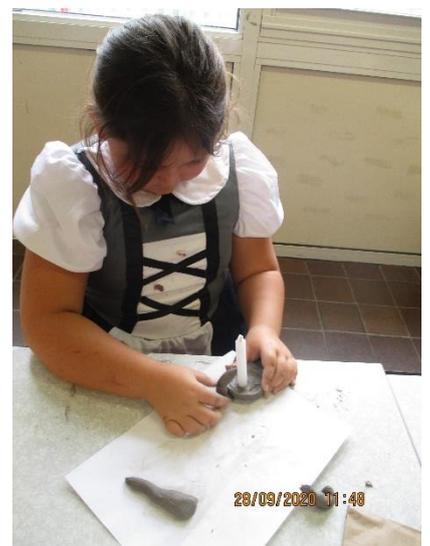
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Dear Parents and Carers,

This term appears to be flying by – with lots of good things happening for our children. Amongst them, this week, I think the highlight was the history experience day which children in Years 1 and 2 enjoyed. This was the first time that we had attempted a ‘virtual’ visit and experience day and it was a great success – as you can tell from the photographs below.



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Fun on the field!

It is usually at about this time of the year that children have to stop using the field. This year we want the children to be able to use the field more than usual. This is because we want to give children as much space as possible when outside. I am sure that, in the current context, you can understand why this is. So that children, in Years R to 4, can keep using the field please send your child into school with a named carrier bag and a named pair of wellington boots or alternative footwear, if they are in Reception, 1, 2, 3 or 4. Children still need to have school shoes for when they are not outside.

Twice, this week, we have had Reception children use the field and some of the main playground, at lunchtime. This trial has gone so well that we are going to continue enabling Reception children to use those areas at lunchtime. This reflects on just how well our new Reception children have settled in to school and it does fit with our risk assessment as Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are designated as a single 'bubble'.

Children in Years 5 and 6 are not using the field at break and lunchtimes, as a result of 'bubbles' having to be kept separate. Consequently, these children do not need to bring in alternative footwear for break and lunchtimes.

Have you ever wanted to design a logo?

Children, our trust, The Diocese of Chelmsford Vine Schools Trust, wants a new logo and they want your help to design it. To help them, all you need to do is to draw, paint or print a new logo for the trust, on plain white paper, and either:

1. Ask an adult to email it to school (photographed or scanned copies are fine) or
2. Put it in an envelope, with your name and school name on it, and give it to your class teacher.

You may want to look at the trust's website to help you think of ideas for a logo -

<https://www.vineschoolstrust.co.uk/>

All logo designs need to be submitted by the end of this half term so that they can be shown to the directors of the trust.

Applications for Reception 2021

We warmly invite all parents, who have children that are due to join Reception next September, to contact the office for a tour of the school. These tours will only take place out of school hours and in a 'COVID19 secure' manner. We are giving this invitation now because when we can provide tours for parents is limited to after school and this restricted time may be harder for parents to book.

Applications to our school are made via Essex's website - <https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>

Online applications can be made for a Reception school place between 9 November 2020 and 15 January 2021.

Best Regards,



Mr M Carter-Tufnell
(Headteacher)