



Ovingham CE First School

Weekly News

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Home Learning

Class teachers continue to upload home learning activities to the school website which is made available on Friday afternoons for access the following week. Thank you all for continuing to support your child with these activities at home. If you need any support with these tasks, teachers are available via the school admin email address and are always happy to help. If you would like to share photos of your home learning activities with us in school, please send them to admin@ovinghamfirst.northumberland.sch.uk

VE Day

We hope you all had a lovely time celebrating VE day. The staff have enjoyed seeing your photographs of how you celebrated and the many delicious treats you made.

Congratulations

Well done to Ted Smith who has been accepted into Sunderland AFC's academy, we are all very proud of you! Perhaps you will be able to pass on some of your skills once school is up and running again.

Online Safety

As children are spending more time online during school closures we need to ensure that they are safe from any dangers out there. We have many suggestions on our web pages and we also include any new information on our Twitter feed. Please feel free to contact school if you have any queries.

School Garden

Mrs Turner was shown around the vegetable patch when she was in school yesterday by some of our key worker children. She is happy to report that seedlings are progressing well for carrots, squash, radishes, rocket and strawberries. Let's hope those pesky rabbits don't undo all the hard work!

Free School Meals

We would like to remind parents that should your circumstances change during this difficult period that

you can still apply for Free School Meals, if your application is approved you will receive the Free School Meal Vouchers by email. Applications should be made online on Northumberland County Council's webpage <https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/Meals.aspx>. Applications are being expedited and if you qualify you should receive confirmation within one week.

Mr Hogg's Latest Project

Mr Hogg continues to use this time to add to his many projects around the school grounds. The latest addition is a zig zag balance walkway. More hedgehog hotels are also under construction.



National Book Tokens

There is a new competition to win £5,000 for the school library <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Studies show that reading for pleasure doesn't just give children an advantage academically; it can improve their wellbeing, too.

You can nominate your school online and if your nomination is a winner you will also receive £100 book vouchers for you to spend yourself.

Teachers, school staff and parents can all enter – the more nominations a school receives, the higher their chances of winning – so spread the word!

Plans to Re-open School

You will have received a letter today about plans to reopen school to some of our pupils on the 1st of June. We are currently working hard to ensure this is planned for thoroughly to provide a safe and happy environment for all.

We shall be in touch again soon as we receive further news.