

# Orchard's C of E Academy

## Weekly Parent Newsletter

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Our Christian Value for this Half Term is **Service**

**26<sup>th</sup> April** Year 6 Careers event  
**3<sup>rd</sup> May** Spring Bank Holiday  
**28<sup>th</sup> May** Last school day before Half Term  
**7<sup>th</sup> June** Children back to school

**11<sup>th</sup> June** School Photographs  
**14<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> July** Parent Consultation Evenings  
**22<sup>nd</sup> July** Last school day before Summer Holiday

### Afterschool Clubs KS2

I am pleased to inform you that starting from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April our afterschool clubs will be running again with Premier Education! These clubs will all be 'multisports', so they will feature a wide range of different sports such as archery, football and dodgeball.

There is a change to how they were previously run this term however, as each club is now limited to one year group at a time in order to make our clubs safer following the latest Government guidance. These are the times and days for each year group.

- Monday: Year 4 3.10-4.10pm
- Wednesday: Year 3 2.50-3.50pm
- Thursday: Year 5 2.40-3.40pm
- Friday: Year 6 3-4pm

These clubs are funded by the school, so they are completely free to book. To book, please follow the link below.

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/8579/?location=PE13%203NP>

### COVID 19 Restrictions

As you know, a number of restrictions were eased across the country on the 29<sup>th</sup> March, though caution is still necessary as we've found out this week.

















Below is a summary of the rules we must follow. Please make sure that you are sticking to all the rules in order to keep our community as safe as possible. As we found out this week when we had to close one of our bubbles, this is not over yet.

# COVID-19: Restrictions in England

From 12 April

## STEP 2



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| <p><b>MEETING OTHERS</b> </p> <p>You must not socialise indoors except with your household or support bubble. You can meet outdoors, including in gardens, in groups of six people or two households.</p>  | <p><b>OVERNIGHT STAYS</b> </p> <p>Domestic overnight stays are allowed, but you must only stay with members of your household or support bubble.</p>                            | <p><b>EDUCATION</b> </p> <p>Early years settings, schools and colleges are open for all students. Students on practical university courses can return. Students and staff will be regularly tested. Other Higher Education students should continue to learn remotely.</p> | <p><b>WORK AND BUSINESS</b> </p> <p>You should work from home if you can.</p>  |
| <p><b>RETAIL AND PERSONAL CARE</b> </p> <p>All retail open. Hairdressers, beauty and nail salons open.</p>   | <p><b>BARs, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS</b> </p> <p>Open outdoors for groups of six people or two households. Those that serve alcohol must provide table service. Closed indoors.</p> | <p><b>ACCOMMODATION</b> </p> <p>Campsites and self-contained holiday accommodation open for visits with your household or support bubble only. Hotels, hostels and B&amp;Bs closed.</p>  | <p><b>LEISURE AND SPORTING FACILITIES</b> </p> <p>Gyms, indoor sports facilities and spas open for use on your own or with your own household or support bubble. Saunas and steam rooms closed.</p>  |
| <p><b>ENTERTAINMENT</b> </p> <p>Outdoor settings and attractions, such as zoos and theme parks open for visits of two households, or in a group of up to six people. Drive-in-events open for visits with your household or support bubble. Indoor entertainment closed.</p> | <p><b>PUBLIC BUILDINGS</b> </p> <p>Libraries and community centres open.</p>  | <p><b>RESIDENTIAL CARE</b> </p> <p>People who live in a care home in England will be allowed two named regular indoor visitors.</p>  | <p><b>SHIELDING</b> </p> <p>Clinically extremely vulnerable people in England are no longer advised to shield, but should continue taking extra precautions such as minimising social interactions and shopping at quieter times of the day.</p> |
| <p><b>DOMESTIC TRAVEL</b> </p> <p>You should minimise travel as much as possible. Avoid the busiest times and routes - plan your journey and what you need at your destination ahead of time.</p>  | <p><b>OVERSEAS TRAVEL</b> </p> <p>You must not go on holiday abroad. You could be fined £5,000 for travelling abroad without a legally permitted reason.</p>                  | <p><b>PLACES OF WORSHIP</b> </p> <p>Places of worship open and communal worship is permitted, but you must not mix indoors with anyone outside your household or support bubble.</p>   | <p><b>WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS</b> </p> <p>Funerals can continue with up to 30 attendees. Weddings, outdoor receptions, and commemorative events such as wakes can take place with up to 15 attendees (in premises that are permitted to open).</p> |

For more information and detailed guidance visit:  
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

COVID-19  
Let's take this next step, safely.



## School Uniform

As we return to full school reopening just three weeks before the Easter holidays, we have understood that some children may have grown out of their school uniform and shoes and have been quite lenient in allowing trainers and leggings to be worn.

After Easter though, with the shops selling back to school clothes, we will be far more insistent on the correct uniform.

Below is a reminder of the Uniform Code:

### **Summer uniform (to be worn from the beginning of the Summer Term to October Half Term):**

- Green gingham checked dress and white socks (ankle or knee length) with green cardigan  
OR
- Grey or black skirt/skort/pinafore/trousers with red polo shirt, green cardigan/jumper /sweatshirt\*. Grey or black tights or white socks (ankle or knee length), to be worn with a skirt, skort or pinafore. Jeans, jogging bottoms and sports shorts are not acceptable.

### **Shoes**

- Black shoes which have a fastening of some sort - a Velcro strap, bar and buckle or laces (no fashion heeled shoes). Trainers should only be worn for PE.

### **PE Kit**

- Black/green shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms, plain black/white/green t-shirt or polo shirt (no sleeveless vests) and plain, black/green coloured fleece; trainers.
- Swimming costume and towel when required (1 piece, not tankini or bikini) or swimming trunks for boys.

### **Purchasing Uniform**

- New uniform can be purchased from the school office. The PTA operate a second hand/nearly new uniform store and there are a number of opportunities to buy or swap throughout the school year. Any used uniform can be donated to the school, should you wish to do so.

### **Jewellery, Hair and Nails**

- Jewellery should be kept to a minimum for health and safety reasons, and for security. Watches and medical bracelets only are allowed.
- No nail varnish or nail extensions
- Pierced ears should have small studs only - no other piercings are permitted e.g. nose etc.
- Please avoid extreme hairstyles, including dyed hair. Hair shoulder length or longer should be tied back with a plain coloured headband or bow.

## Rock Star of the Week!

The Rock Star of the Week Award will be awarded to the child who ranks highest at our school based on the amount of time spent practicing their times tables.

So, don't delay! Sign in and get playing to be in with a chance of winning 10 dojo points each week!

This week, the award goes to Jaden from Almond Class.

## Stars of the Week

Well done to all the children for their hard work this week. The following children were particularly celebrated for their effort and achievement in class.

**Early Years** – Chanelle in Acorn; Neo in Apple; Louis in Cherry; Archie in Peach.

**Key Stage 1** – Bailey in Pine; Freddie in Willow; Maksim in Hazel; Kai in Maple.

**Key Stage 2** – ... in Almond; Bogdan in Hawthorn; ... in Juniper; Kerry in Laburnum; Amy in Holly; Kevinas in Cypress; Oana in Elm; Kathleen in Ash; Lia in Cedar; Jaiden in Oak; Deimantas in Yew.

## Attendance

Below is the attendance for each class this week:

**Early Years** – Cherry – 94.7%; Apple – 94.9%; Peach – 79.2%.

**Key Stage 1** – Pine – 94.3%; Willow – 88.7%; Hazel – 95.8%; Maple – 95.4%.

**Key Stage 2** – Hawthorn – 93.2%; Holly – 97.5%; Juniper – 97.9%; Yew – 91.7%; Almond – 99.1%; Laburnum – 95.7%; Cypress – 97.8%; Elm – 91.7%; Ash – 93.1%; Cedar – 95.5%; Oak – 94%.

Whole school attendance was: 94.8%.

## Worship Focus of the Week

On Monday, we looked at our new Christian Value of Service and thought about how fitting this was following the death of HEH the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. We spent some time in quiet reflection and considered Prince Philip's service to us, to the country and to the Queen. May he Rest in Peace.

## British Heart Foundation Fundraising

### Mrs Newell and Miss Hall walk for the British Heart Foundation

On May 22nd, Mrs Newell and Miss Hall will be hiking 58 km along the steep hills of the Jurassic Coastline. When lockdown 3 started, Mrs Newell and Miss Hall felt they needed a challenge to keep their spirits up and decided to raise money for a charity that carries out amazing work. Mrs Newell was diagnosed with a heart condition at 23 years old and fitted with a pace maker. Since then, she has been nursed back to health many times by British Heart Foundation Nurses especially after her 3 heart operations. It would be fantastic if you were able to support this huge challenge and sponsor them as little or as much as you can!

Thank you!

**Sponsorship can be paid on the ParentPay App.**



## And Finally...

It was lovely to be back in school this week for the start of the new term. As the weather (hopefully) will get somewhat warmer in the upcoming weeks, please ensure that your children bring a water bottle into school with them in the morning.

Thank you for all the support you provide for the children and our academy!





# junior parkrun

Free, 2k, run for 4-14 year olds

## Wisbech juniors Every Sunday at 9:00 AM

Wisbech Park, PE13 3AQ

Register online & print your barcode:  
[www.parkrun.org.uk/register](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/register)

In association with:



### junior parkrun code

junior parkrun is really simple,  
just remember to follow these 9 easy rules:



1 A parent or guardian accompanies under 11s to and from the event



2 For children aged 4 to 14



3 Let children run for fun



6 Please pay attention to the pre-run brief



5 Respect the park and other users



4 Finish funnel is only for children



7 No dogs on the course please



8 Please thank the volunteers



9 No barcode no time



[parkrun.com](http://parkrun.com)