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ECO SCHOOL GREEN FLAG AWARD

We are proud to have been awarded a Bronze and Silver Award for our work towards becoming more Eco friendly. We are now working towards achieving the prestigious 'Green Flag Status.'

Our Eco Committee met this week to develop an Eco Code and create an action plan to make our school greener.

The Eco Warriors Code

At Olveston CEVC Primary School, we believe that we can make the world a better place. We also believe that we love God's world and that God's world loves us. We will:

- Use water carefully and try not to waste it.
- Be friendly and kind to all plants and ani-

mals.

- Save energy by turning electrical items off.
- Learn about world-wide eco issues.
- Try our best to live a healthy lifestyle.
- Buy items with less packaging and not drop litter.
- Use our school grounds to learn outside.
- Do our best to use an alternative transport to cars.
- Reduce, reuse and recycle as much waste as possible.



This term we are focusing on litter and our school grounds. We will be creating an action plan to find ways of reducing our waste and making our school grounds a more 'greener' environment. The eco project of our Touchwood fence will be completed at the beginning of June (In the school half term holidays, this creation will really start to take shape!)



Visit our school website: www.olvestonschool.co.uk, and click on 'Our School' to see 'Our Eco School' pages. This details all our efforts in working towards the Green Flag Award.



BUILDING PART 2!

On Tuesday 6th May, we will be handing over our old school hall to a team of builders. We are very excited about this project, which will help transform the inside into a multi-purpose library and computer suite.

The work will include removing the ceiling tiles to reveal a beautiful apex

roof space which will give the library and computer suite an extra dimension.



Work will take approximately 12 weeks. The Olveston Out of School Club will be relocating to The Wike Hall from the 6th May.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- *Tues 6th May Olveston Out of School Club moves to The Wike Hall. (Building work begins on old hall)*
- *Sat 10th May— Reception Fence Painting Event*
- *Mon 12th May—Yr 6 SATs week*
- *Mon 19th May—Yr 3,4,5 Assessment Week*
- *w/c 19th May— Touchwood Workshops*
- *Fri 23rd May—Last Day of Term 5*
- *Mon 2nd June—First Day of Term 6*
- *W/C 9th June—Yr 6 Camp*
- *Mon 16th June—Inset Day*

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OUTDOOR LEARNING



Teddy Bear's Picnic for Key Stage 1
Tuesday 8th July at 1.30pm
Parents/ Carers warmly welcomed!



Two of our whole school initiatives for the academic year 2008-2009, are to promote Outdoor Learning and to re-model the children's learning by developing a much more creative curriculum. A creative curriculum, is topic and skills based and the topics are chosen by asking the children what they would like to learn about. Outdoor learning gives the children opportunities to develop their skills outside of the classroom, in a range of subjects. Our learning environment has already been much improved recently, through the creation of our Willow Dome, the Foundation Stage area, plus our fantastic playground art. With the



further development of the Touchwood fencing this term and the possibility of an outdoor classroom structure being built in the future, our outdoor space is an exciting place to learn.



To promote these two initiatives, the children in Key Stage 1 will be experiencing two outdoor learning mornings on Wednesday 4th June and Thursday 5th June. The children will be working in mixed age groups and will be participating in pond dipping, pebble painting, scarecrow making, outdoor art work and much more! We are fortunate to have a well



OUTDOOR LEARNING CONTINUED...



established conservation area and pond. Mrs Dickens, one of our much valued Teaching Assistants, has worked extremely hard, over many years, creating this fantastic learning environment. There are many plant varieties, plus a good assortment of pond life for the children to study. Avon Wildlife have also worked with the children recently to create a wonderful marsh garden. These two outdoor learning mornings will be

exciting and stimulating and will cover many cross-curricular skills. Parents/ Carers of KS1 children are warmly invited to attend this year's Teddy Bear's Picnic on Tuesday 8th July at 1.30pm. We hope this year's picnic will be as successful as last year's! So look out your favourite teddies/soft toys and start planning your healthy feast! Further details of both events will be sent home shortly.

Have you noticed five large metal poles in the Reception play area? These strong structures will hold three brightly coloured shade sails that will be installed in a few weeks time. We have had a great response from parents/ carers to join us on Sat 10th May to add a splash of colour to the Reception play area fence.

RAINBOWS CELEBRATE 21! RAINBOWS STARTED IN 1987 AND THIS YEAR SEES THEM CELEBRATING THEIR 21ST BIRTHDAY. RAINBOWS MAY WEAR THEIR UNIFORM TO SCHOOL ON WED 7TH MAY TO CELEBRATE THE 21ST BIRTHDAY OF RAINBOWS..

NOTICES

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Olveston Out of School Club will be running a morning session, beginning in term 6 (Monday 2nd June) Sessions will run from 7.55am and children will then be escorted directly to their classrooms for 9am. £5 per session.

Contact: 619782
 info@oosc.co.uk

Book Fair

took £763.88, raising just under £400 for our school library!

Fantastic news!

Dinner Money

Dinner money will only be accepted on on MONDAY MORNING. Any money sent in during the week will be returned, due to South Glos banking system.



OLVESTON WELCOMES BANNERMAN ROAD

On Monday 28th April, Olveston children welcomed Year 3 and 4 children from Bannerman Road Primary School. In term 3, Year 4 children travelled to Bannerman Road to form friendships and take part in a range of creative activities. It was now our turn to host a visit.

The coach arrived at 10.15am and the children from Bannerman Road joined us for assembly. We then had a playtime

and began the first activity at 10.50am. Miss Plews lead a team building activity, Mr Bonney did a drama session and Miss West worked with children to create friendship tiles that will be turned into a collaborative mural.



At lunchtime, the children from Bannerman Road had brought a packed lunch. The children from Olveston were looking forward to showing off the willow structures and playing on the field together.

Year 4 children have created some thank you letters that will be sent to Bannerman Road. We will also be using our beautiful friendship tiles to create a mural in the new hall. Below are some thank you letters for you to read.



THANK YOU!

Dear Miss Hector's Class,
Thank you for coming to our school. I hope you had a great time. I know I did. Did you enjoy the playtimes? I played with Devail on the field at lunchtime break. My favourite part of the day was singing 'Little People' to you. What was yours? I hope you enjoyed yourself. From Kieran



Team Challenge!



Dear Miss Hector's Class,
Thank you very much for coming to our school. I really liked doing the tiles. They look fantastic. I enjoyed playing with you in PE. What was your favourite part of the day? Did you have a good day?
From Charlotte
See you soon! Thank you!

THANK YOU
BANNERMAN
ROAD PRIMARY
SCHOOL. WE
LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU
AGAIN SOON!

YEAR 3 TRIP TO CAERLEON

On Tuesday 29th April it was the Year 3 class Roman trip to discover real Roman objects and statues. It was to Caerleon in Wales. First we went to see Roman baths in the museum. They were very big but had no water in them. After the Roman baths we went to the gift shop. I (Oliver) bought two real Roman coins which were really cool.

Finally we went outside to

go to the Roman Coliseum. Miss Plews said to go and see if we could find where the people might have prayed.



Unfortunately, it started to rain just after lunch. We went into a Roman Legion museum and saw lots of Roman soldier stuff. When we got in, a man showed us around. We had to do a quiz which was very, very fun to do.

Year 3 enjoyed their day in Caerleon!

By Oliver M & Josie W

FOOS QUIZ NIGHT

raised £290. Thank you to everyone who made this a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 5th July

2—4pm

This year we have a recycling theme. Come and join in the fun!





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Get in touch



For general enquiries, notifying of sickness etc contact Mrs Slaytor at the school office.

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If you need to contact your child's class teacher you may use the following e-mail addresses:

Teachers

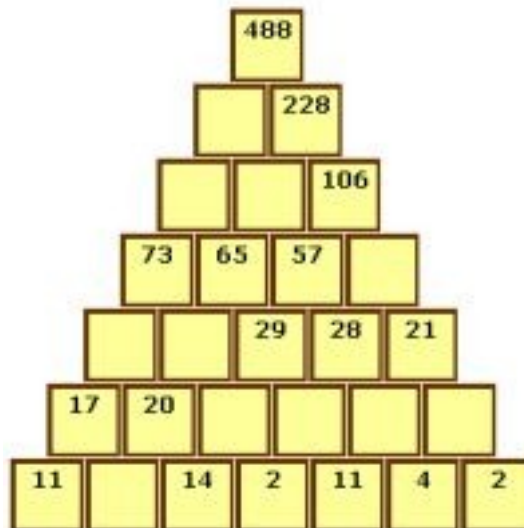
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KIDS ONLY! CHECK OUT THE MONTHLY PUZZLES!

The puzzle starts with a tower that has some numbers placed and others are empty. The aim of the puzzle is to fill in the missing values and complete the puzzle. Each number is the sum of the two numbers beneath it in the tower puzzle. Using logic and maths ability, every puzzle can be completed without guessing.



Can you make a number tower for a friend or grown up to solve? Put their maths to the test!



Try to solve it without a calculator!

