



### NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER:

Dear Orleans Parents and Carers

I hope you are enjoying the first few weeks of this term, we are busy planning for the rest of the term and will be writing to you with details regarding proposed transition events which will take place in the summer term. We are unsure at present whether these will need to be virtual or if we can hold them in person as the guidance for schools will not come out until a few weeks time. However, we wanted to ensure that we are able to give you the information you will need for next year.

Attached to this parent mail is a letter with details of our new Deputy Head from September, please do take a moment to read it.

#### SCHOOL DATES 2021-2022 and 2022-2023

We have included our school and holiday dates for 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 at the bottom of this newsletter for your information. These dates are also up on our website.

#### SCHOOL CLASS PHOTOS

The School class photos will be taking place on 24<sup>th</sup> May. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct school uniform on this day. Please adhere to our Uniform Policy, with particular reference to hair accessories, e.g. no large bows and headbands, etc.

With kind regards

Jane Evans  
Headteacher

#### CURRICULUM

### PE in the Spotlight!



This week our curriculum spotlight shone on PE. Myself and Miss Verge had the rare opportunity to sneak in to PE lessons across the school, talk to the children about their experiences in PE and hold our first Sports Council Meeting of the year. We were incredibly impressed by the fantastic teaching, range of sports being taught and the progression of the individuals within each lesson. Miss Verge and I are very proud PE Leads and want to thank the staff and children for always showing such energy for our wonderful subject!

Here are a few pictures of a super gymnastics session I was lucky enough to be part of in Reception.

Keep Active Everyone!

Mrs Jones





**CREATIVE ARTS**

In the last couple of weeks, we have been taking part in a whole school project in the Creative Arts curriculum. We focused our drawing and observing skills and really put them to the test by drawing carnations! There were bunches galore with a beautiful range of colours so we were able to concentrate on individual petals and flower buds. Although these flowers are super detailed and required us to use lots of tricky skills, we all rose to the challenge together. It is lovely to see the progression of our artistic skills as we grow across the school

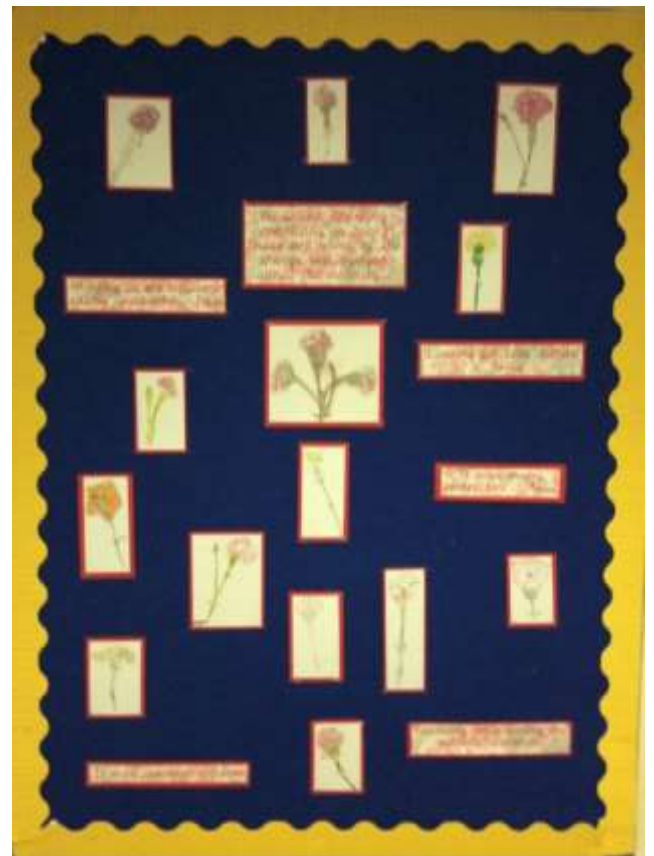
**Miss Corner**



Year One



Reception



Year Three



Year Four



Year Six

### PICK UP AND DROP OFF

Our staggered pick up and drop off times are still in place

	Start time	Finish time
Year 6	8:50	3:20
Year 5	8:50	3:20
	Start time	Finish time
Year 4	9:00	3:10
Year 3	9:00	3:10
	Start time	Finish time
Year 2	8:55	3:00
Year 1	8:55	3:00
	Start time	Finish time
Reception	9:10	3:25
Nursery	8:45-11:45	12:30-3:30

Please only come at the specified times or the system won't work effectively and allow us to ensure social distancing is in place outside school. We are required by the Government guidelines to do this. In order for this to work smoothly we do need everyone to follow the queuing system. Many thanks for your support with this.



### ATTENDANCE CUP

The classes with the best attendance for week ending April 30th 2021 are

**GRETA THUNBERG CLASS – 100%**

**MIKAILA ULMER CLASS – 100%**

### UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

<b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY School Closed</b>
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>INSET DAY School closed to pupils</b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>School Class Photos</b>



**HEADTEACHER'S STARS OF THE WEEK**

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April

CLASS	NAME
Louis Braille	LILIANA
Jade Kilduff	ELYAS
Greta Thunberg	CECE
Ruby Bridges	PAARTH
Alex Deans	MAIA, AARON
Marley Dias	CLARA, LIBERTY
Mikaila Ulmer	CHARLIE
Easton La Chappelle	DILLON
Jaylen Arnold	MILLA
Talia Leman	GRAYSON
Malala Yousafzai	SPENCER
Yash Gupta	SCARLETT
YEAR SIX	CHLOE, EMILIA, MOLLY



**OUR MUSIC OF THE WEEK**

Here at Orleans, we feel it's important to expose the children to plenty of music that they may not ordinarily hear - to listen to it, identify some musical features from it and hear about the composer.

Hopefully you are all aware that our 'Music of the Week' features in every class during the week where staff share a powerpoint slide with the children, giving them some information about the music and the composer and then the class watches the music being played on youtube. Our two year cycle of music incorporates a variety of styles and genres from different traditions and times and our hope is that the children begin to recognise and identify what they hear as they get older and move through the school.

The children respond so well to MOTW and it is heartening to see the older ones remembering music they've heard two years ago and being able to talk about some of its features and/or its composer. We now have a MOTW display board in the playground so children can peruse it at their leisure; this is refreshed every half term to reflect the current plan.

If you have a few minutes, do look up the music and ask your children about it over the weekend. They will probably have an opinion on it - good or bad, it doesn't matter! Perhaps you yourselves will enjoy listening in...?!

**Mrs Ricketts**  
**Music teacher**

Our music of the week is played to the children in classrooms during the week. It is part of our Music curriculum and provides the children with the opportunity to listen to different pieces of music.

**BABA YETU by Christopher Tin**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCaERaaDPWE>

- The Lord's Prayer (from the Bible) put to music
- Sung in Swahili, an East African language spoken in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania
- Christopher Tin writes for films and video games
- Baba Yetu is used in the video game 'Civilization IV'

Baba Yetu by Christopher Tin, a young American composer.

## RIGHTS RESPECTING NEWS

As we are a Rights Respecting school, we have a 'Right of the Month' focus in order to help us to learn more of the Articles in the UNCRC. We use these during our teaching and when talking to the children about behaviour.

Everyone under the age of 18 has all the rights detailed in the UNCRC.

The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, sex, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

This month, our Right of the Month is:

MAY –Article 6 - Life, survival and development

**ARTICLE 6** (life, survival and development)  
Every child has the right to life.  
Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential.

Please remember that if you wish to find out more about the Articles, there is a link in the Rights Respecting section of the school website.

<https://www.orleans.richmond.sch.uk/page/?title=Rights+Respecting&pid=248>



### **Join Energy Kidz Holiday Clubs this half term for a holiday full of fun and engaging activities with friends!**

This half term, Energy Kidz promises to deliver an explosion of fun, play and activity! Their jam-packed program leads children on an adventure of discovery that delivers a range of exciting activities that will get them off their feet this half term. As the UK's trusted holiday club provider throughout the pandemic – Energy Kidz continue to provide a safe and supportive space for children to engage with friends and develop a wide range of new skills. Our market leading safe practice and activity programmes focus on enhancing child self-esteem and wellbeing by empowering children through play. Don't let your child miss out on a jam-packed half term to remember!

Save 10% using code: **EBMA21**. Book now at [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk).

### **What's on offer?**

Holiday Clubs offer your child a fun filled, action packed school holiday, delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Each day children can enjoy an exciting range of themed activities.

Energy Kidz understand that children have different interests and ensure that each day is filled with a wide range of inclusive activities suitable for all abilities and interests. As well as being able to choose what activities they would like to do, children are encouraged to try something new! Energy Kidz' engaging half term program will include lots of activity, new games, messy play, wacky science experiments, wellbeing warrior challenges and much more. The half term will also see the introduction of their new holiday theme - Adventures in Wonderland, that will take your child on a spellbinding journey as they conquer the Mad Hatter events to become King or Queen of the fantastical world.

### **What's new this half term?**

Energy Kidz will be integrating their mesmerising half term themed activities that will allow your child/ren to step into the fantastical world of **Adventures in Wonderland** leading up to a final day Mad Hatters Tea Party! Children will navigate their way through wonderland with friends, as they'll be challenged to best the Queen of Hearts with a classic spin on Simon says, conquer the Mad Hatter events to become the king or

queen of the castle and get creative with some tea cup creations in time for the half term festivities to begin with a fun packed tea party!

Energy Kidz are also excited to continue their Wellbeing Warrior program this half term that will be delivered daily across the holiday period - ensuring children continue to enjoy a warm and welcoming environment with friends through a number of activities that will enhance physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.

**What children will enjoy...**

- ✓ Social Interaction with friends in a safe space
- ✓ Enhanced wellbeing with fun activities
- ✓ Experience a wide range of sports and active play
- ✓ Learning new skills
- ✓ Keeping active with a range of fun activity options
- ✓ Creative discovery outside of the everyday home and school environment
- ✓ Building confidence through learning new skills

Book via [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk) or call their friendly bookings team on 0333 577 1533.

**Booking Information**

Book via <https://bookings.energy-kidz.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login> or call their friendly bookings team on 0333 577 1533. For any further information including, help booking, safe practice information and Parent FAQ's please visit [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk).

- Early Bird Discount Available - Use code: **EBMAY21**
- Childcare Vouchers Accepted
- Flexible Payment Options

**EnergyKidz Holiday Clubs** The Trusted Provider during COVID 19

**BOOKING HALF TERM TIMETABLE**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00 - 10:30	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party
10:30 - 12:00	Super Sport Event	Tricky Kids	Super Sport Event	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Themed Activity
12:00 - 1:30	Messy Kids	Themed Activity	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Themed Activity	Themed Activity
1:30 - 3:00	Themed Activity	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Super Sport Event	Themed Activity	Themed Activity
3:00 - 4:30	Challenge Kids	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Science Kids	Challenge Kids	Challenge Kids
4:30 - 6:00	Tricky Kids	Themed Activity	Challenge Kids	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Wellbeing Warrior Activity
6:00 - 7:30	Super Sport Event	Themed Activity	Super Sport Event	Themed Activity	Themed Activity
7:30 - 9:00	Wellbeing Warrior Activity	Extended Day Fun Party	Messy Kids	Tricky Kids	Tricky Kids
9:00 - 10:30	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party	Extended Day Fun Party

**ORLEANS PRIMARY SCHOOL  
TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-2022**

INSET DAYS (School Closed to pupils):

- \*Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021
- \*Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021
- \*Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- \*Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022
- \*Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

TERM	START	END
Autumn Term 2021	Pupils return to school on Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021*	Pupils finish on Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2021*
Half Term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
	Pupils return to school on Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021*	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
Spring Term 2022	Pupils return to school on Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022*	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Half Term	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
	Pupils return to school on Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2022	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022
Good Friday is 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 and Easter Monday is 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2022*		
Summer Term 2022	Pupils return to school on Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022*	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 (inc May Day bank holiday on 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022)
Half Term (inc Spring Bank Holiday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022)	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022
	Pupils return to school on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022*	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022

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- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

TERM	START	END
Autumn Term 2022	Pupils return to school on Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Pupils finish on Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2022
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
	Pupils return to school on Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
Spring Term 2023	Pupils return to school on Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Half Term	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
	Pupils return to school on Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
Good Friday is 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 and Easter Monday is 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2023		
Summer Term 2023	Pupils return to school on Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 (inc May Day Bank Holiday on 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023)
Half Term (inc Spring Bank Holiday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023)	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023
	Pupils return to school on Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023