

Ox Close Federation

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Wednesday 13th September

Dear Parents / Carers,

Last year was our first year using our new ENRICHED House System. At the Federation, we believe that children should leave us in Year 6 ENRICHED in these personal values.

Empathy	-	Marie Curie House
Nurture	-	Florence Nightingale House
Resilience	-	Anne Frank House
Independence	-	Gilbert Baker House
Confidence	-	Rosa Parks House
Honour and Respect	-	David Attenborough House
Endurance	-	Norman Cornish House
Determination	-	Tom Moore House



Friday 29th September 2023

Each child in the Federation will be given a house along with children from other classes across the age ranges. They take part in Housetime every half term where they get together in their houses and discuss current issues, the values and aspects of life at school. This year, we would like to host our annual Colour Run in houses. It will take place on Friday 29th September in the afternoon - this year we will be holding a carousel of activities for the children to take part in. We will take lots of photos and videos of the fun to post on SeeSaw and Facebook pages to share the event with you at home.

On Friday 29th September, we ask that your child comes to school in **school uniform as normal**. We also ask that you send to school (in a named bag) comfortable bottoms and trainers which you would not mind getting very messy and colourful. **Please do not send good clothes**. We would also ask that you provide your child with a plain, white t-shirt - these tend to show the colours up more vividly. You could also send other colourful accessories for your child to run with but please bare in mind that these may be lost during the event. After the event, children will come to their home time exits as normal in classes but please be aware that they may be covered in paint!

We aim to use this sponsored event to raise funds for the Federation to enrich the curriculum provision we already have in place. These funds will not only pay for visiting companies to school such as M&M Productions but also help fund visits out of school for the children to take part in. We all appreciate the rising costs of living so every penny will be so appreciated. If you feel you may not be in a position to support the sponsorship element of the event, your child(ren) will still be able to take part in the colour run.

Please find attached, a sponsorship form for your child(ren) to ask relatives and friends (after asking an adult's permission of course!) Please complete as you see fit and send in any sponsor money in a names envelope to the school office via your child's class teacher. As this is a sponsored event, we are able to accept payments however, all other payments will continue to be made through Arbor. We would ask that all sponsorship money reaches us before Friday 20th October.

As the UK weather hasn't been in our favour for a lot of events at the Federation, we will postpone the event in the case of poor weather. We will let you know of a new date for the event as soon as possible. If you have any questions about the event, or if you need any other information, please enquire through the school office or on your child's SeeSaw account.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Woods and the Ox Close Federation Team

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Sponsorship Form for _____ Class _____

Name	Amount	Address	Paid