

It was lovely to see you all at the Parent/Pupil/Teacher interviews on Wednesday and Thursday. We hope you found them useful. Thank you for your kind donations towards the Poppy Appeal, we will let you know next week how much we raised.

This week we have been consolidating our written subtraction methods and are working on multiplication and moving towards division. In literacy, we have finished our persuasive letters and have started to explore the key features of a recount which will lead into our fantastic trip at Watermouth Castle before half term. In topic this week, we have started to research the role of the architect and buildings that have influenced today's structures.

The Charismatic Caterpillars had a very muddy forest school session - which the children greatly enjoyed. Apologies for the extra washing!! In computing, we wrote a simple code to tell a joke on Scratch Junior.

Well done to the children who took part in the Year 4 Sports Hall Athletics Festival at Park School on Wednesday. Today we all took part in a Whole School Evacuation. This is carried out once a year to ensure that we would be able to evacuate the school in the event of a major incident. After assembling in the playground we walked to the Whiddon Valley Evangelical Church and took part in a Remembrance Service with Pastor Kay before walking back to school. The children all behaved impeccably and were a credit to Orchard Vale.

#### **Times table practice**

The children have their 7 times table sheets in their homework books for them to practice this week.

#### **Heatree Activity Centre Residential - 23rd to 25th April 2018**

We have 2 spare places, if you are interested in taking this place please come along to the school office for details.

#### **Friends of Orchard Vale - Adult Quiz Night - Friday, 10th November**

You are invited to join us at 6.30pm for 7pm in the School Hall tonight. A maximum of 8 per team. £5 per person, to include nibbles. Tea, coffee and soft drinks on sale. A whopping £100 prize money for the winning team plus some fabulous prizes for the raffle.

#### **Children in Need Week - Week commencing 13th November**

**Monday** - Wrist bands/badges on sale @ £1. Pudsey mask making at lunchtime in the gazebo.

**Tuesday** - Hook a Duck game at lunchtime - 20p a go (prizes to be won)

**Wednesday** - Non-Uniform day - donations welcome.

**Thursday** - Spotty themed cake sale after school - 20p to 50p.

**Friday** - Last day to buy wristbands or badges. School assembly to reveal how much we have raised!

#### **Diary Dates**

Have you visited our website lately for the school calendars 2017/18/news of school events [www.ovschool.co.uk](http://www.ovschool.co.uk).

Mon, 18th Dec to Tue 2nd Jan - Christmas Holidays

Lunch menu for week commencing 13th November is Week Three.

Have a great weekend.

Miss Gulliford   Mrs Grimwood   Mr Luttmann   Mr Huggins