**Dear Parents and Carers**

This week in Year 5/6 we have been focusing on multiplication, with the children gaining confidence in using formal written methods to solve calculations. We have also begun to look at multiples, factors and prime numbers. The children have continued their work on the Tudors, with classes looking at Tudor food and drink, Tudor timelines and Tudor family trees.

A huge well done to the Year 5/6 children who took part in the Shakespeare performance in Exeter on Tuesday. The children were all fantastically behaved, performed wonderfully and received a standing ovation from the audience! We are all very proud.

**Nethercott Farm Residential – July 2018**

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

**Children in Need Week**

Thank you all for your superb support over the week with the School Council fundraising for Children in Need.  With your help we have raised £356.28.

**Speed Awareness Week**

In our classes this week, we will be taking part in various activities relating to Speed Awareness and safety on the roads.  Please check your emails for information sent out last week regarding ‘How to behave near traffic – under 5 year olds’ and ‘Know the road – 5 to 11 year olds’.

 **Tempest Photographs**

You should have received your individual Tempest photo order forms this week.  If you would like to place an order, please complete the order form and payment, and hand this to the School Office **by Thursday, 23rdNovember.**Any order not received by this date will have to be sent directly to Tempest by you and may incur an extra cost.

**Diary Dates**

Have you visited our website lately for the school calendars 2017/18/news of school events www.ovschool.co.uk.

Tues, 5th Dec – Friends of Orchard Vale Tuck Shop

Wed, 6th Dec – Xmas Dinner (whole school)

Tue, 12th Dec – KS2 Christmas celebration – 6pm to 7.30pm – School Hall

Tue, 14th Dec – Xmas Jumper day

Fri, 15th Dec – Last day of term.

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

**Lunch menu for week commencing 6th November is Week One**