

Dear Parents/Carers

19th January 2018

Orchard Vale have registered with the WASP (Waste Action Support Programme) who conducted a whole school waste audit on Wednesday. We helped the Waste Educator to sort through and record every bit of waste in school. This will be followed up by educational workshops throughout the year to make OV more sustainable and eco-friendly. During an assembly the children were asked to think about how we could reduce our waste in school.

Well done to the Year 4 children who took part in the fun activities during the tennis festival at Tarka Tennis - they were a credit to the school.

This week, in class, we have enjoyed furthering our knowledge of colours in Spanish and linking to shapes. We have been busy gathering information to write information texts on the new Seven Wonders of the World in literacy.

Homework

Last week, children brought home the Homework Sheet for this term and we look forward to seeing some fantastic pieces coming into class. Every piece of work will gain the children star and dojo rewards. Copies of the task sheet can be found on our website.

China Day

On Tuesday next week, as part of our 'Around the World' mini topic, we plan to immerse ourselves into all things Chinese; learning about the country, its landmarks, people, culture etc.

Putty/Slime

Please could we ask that children **do not** bring putty/slime into school. With the current level of sickness about, as well as being very distracting, it is a health hazard when it is passed from child to child spreading germs around the school.

Swimming lessons

Thank you to those who have already sent in their permission and contributions towards the curriculum swimming lessons we have arranged, due to start after half term. If you require a duplicate letter please speak to the school office or class teacher.

Heatree Activity Centre Residential – 23rd to 25th April 2018

If your child is interested in attending the residential this year please contact the school office for details. Heatree's website www.heatreeactivitycentre.co.uk.

Wanted

After half term we have planned a fun experiment which requires clean, empty 500ml plastic bottles. Over the next few weeks, up to half term, we will be collecting these in class.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week Two'.

Diary Dates

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

Fri, 9th February - Last day

Mon, 12th to Fri, 16th Feb - Half Term.

Thur, 29th March - Last day

Fri, 30th March to Fri, 13th April - Easter holidays.

Have a lovely weekend Miss Gulliford Mrs Grimwood Mr Luttman Mr Huggins