Dear Parents/Carers 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

This week we have been reinforcing our multiplication skills, learning the formal written method, and looking at shapes in maths. In literacy, we have enjoyed looking at calligraphy, Haiku and pattern poems. We had fun composing our own poems. Please come and read them when you are next in class. We have enjoyed researching some amazing facts about robots and the functions they perform. In art, we created our own interpretation of 'The Great Wave'; which look fantastic. In PE, we have been honing our tennis skills and in forest school we have almost finish our scarecrows for the Devon Country Show competition.

Following the assembly by Churches Together, Barnstaple, we have all been thinking about friendship and what that means to us.

The Eco Committee members had an enjoyable and educational visit to the Exeter Energy Waste Plant and Pinbrook Road Recycling Centre. They have returned with lots of inspiration which they will use to encourage even better awareness of recycling at Orchard Vale.

Mr Luttman's class - To help us with our research on toys could the children bring in old and new toys that we could study on Tuesday.

## Homework

The maths extension homework this week is linked to shapes. Children should also practice their 7 times tables, both in and out, of order ready for their test next Friday.

## Friday, 18th May - Royal wedding celebration

In celebration of the Royal wedding, Orchard Vale will be holding a whole school afternoon high tea and fun afternoon. In order to help make this as scrumptious as possible it would be lovely if the children could make a set of 12 royal wedding themed cupcakes (red, white and blue; union jack etc) to bring in on the day to share. There will be a prize for the best cakes in each key stage.

## Trip to We The Curious (formerly @Bristol) - Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Thank you to those of you who have already returned your permission slips and contributions for our visit to We the curious. We are really looking forward to this fun day.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week One".

## **Diary Dates**

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

Mon, 7<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday

Fri, 18th May - Royal Celebration and non-uniform day (red, white and blue)

Fri, 25<sup>th</sup> May - Last day before half term.

Mon, 28th May to Fri, 1st June - Half Term.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you all on Tuesday.

Miss Gulliford Mrs Grimwood Mr Luttman Mr Huggins