Dear Parents/Carers 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Thank you for your superb support over the week with the School Council's fundraising for Children in Need. The official merchandise sold out within 2 days and they added an additional 'Hook the Duck' session on Wednesday lunchtime. With your help, we have raised £356.28.

This week, we have been planning, preparing and writing our recounts of the visit to Watermouth Castle. When you are next in class, why not take some time to read about our trip.

## Bring in a board game

In preparation for our instructional Please could the children bring in a board game on Monday/Tuesday, which we could use in class to engage the children in a fun and immersive session in preparation for our instructional writing in literacy. Don't forget to put your child's name of the box.

In maths, we have been looking at division and will be moving onto exploring measurement - capacity, length, mass and time. Maybe you could time how long it takes to complete their spellings this week!

We are growing our own rocket from seeds in an electric propagator as part of our plants science topic.

## Spellings / Comprehension practice

The children have their spelling sheets in their homework books for them to practice this week. We are also trialling reading comprehension, the children will bring home a worksheet with an explanatory note today.

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

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

#### Speed Awareness Week

In our classes next 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 '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, 23<sup>rd</sup> November. 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, 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - KS2 Christmas celebration - 6pm to 7.30pm - School Hall

Tue, 14th Dec - Xmas Jumper day

Fri, 15<sup>th</sup> Dec - Last day of term.

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

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

Have a great weekend. Miss Gulliford Mrs Grimwood Mr Luttman Mr Huggins