

Orchard Vale's Weekly News

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Years 5 and 6 visit to Hampton Court Palace

On Friday, 15th November, 63 children from Years 5 and 6 left Orchard Vale at 7am to visit Hampton Court Palace. Although this was a long way it was well worth it to experience this wonderful historical setting and to enhance the children's knowledge of the Tudors and Elizabethans our topic this term.

'The visit to Hampton Court Palace gave us a better idea of what life was like in that era. We took part in an Upstairs/Downstairs Workshop where we explored the hierarchy and status in the Tutor Court. We saw who lived and worked in the various areas of the palace.'

Year 6 Rising Stars in PE

A group of 6 children from Year 6, who have been identified as having the talent to achieve high standards in sport, joined other athletes from around the Park community of schools. They had the opportunity to receive expert coaching in gymnastics and tennis at the Tarka Tennis Centre and Falcons Gymnastics Academy.

Fire Safety Assembly



The Year 2 and 5 children took part in a Staying Safe presentation by the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service. They learned about the role of the Fire Service, how to identify hot and cold items, the danger of matches, lighters and candles, how to make an emergency 999 call and the consequences of hoax calls. The children were able to talk about planning a safe escape route from their home in case of fire, the importance of smoke alarms and how to adopt the stop, drop and roll method if clothing becomes involved in fire.

Times Tables Rock Star Maths Week England—Rock Out 2019



Well done to the Key Stage Two children who entered the Times Table Rock Star Maths week competition. The children were able to use their Rock Star login in school and at home to complete as many maths questions/play maths related games as they could throughout last week.

A special well done goes to Year 6 for being the 'Highest Scoring Band' and to the following children for:

Most valuable player—Josh M (year 6)

2nd most valuable player— William Ph (year 5)

3rd most valuable player — Jay L (year 5)

4th place - Max H (year 5)

5th place - Alex M (year 5)

6th place - Alice G (year 4)

7th place - Chloe-Rose (year 4)

8th place - Ernest R (year 6)

9th place - Keeley G (year 4)

10th place - Corbin (year 5)

Panto—Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs—Tuesday, 17th December



Letters will come home on Wednesday next week with details of the Panto at the Queen's Theatre. Places cost £11.50 per child. If you would like a place for your child we will be allocating these on **Thursday, 28th November in the School Hall from 8.30am**. If you are unable to attend at that time please send a nominated adult/your child with the slip and cash payment. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Friends of Orchard Vale—Harry Potter Quiz Night Friday, 29th November—7pm



Come along and join the Friends of Orchard Vale for a night of wizarding fun for all the family/friends.

Test your knowledge of all things Potter, take our sorting hat challenge and what will be inside your snitch?

We have special quiz sheets for smaller children, as well as bonus points to be gained throughout the evening.

£2 per person—with teams can be made up of up to 8 people.

50p for Potter themed food and drink.

Nursery this week:

This week we have been learning about owls. Our main story has been 'Owl babies.' Our dark area has become an owl home with owl puppets for children to act out the story. We have had owl themed colouring and play-dough mats and used feathers to make cute owl pictures.

In maths, we have been counting lots of owls and matching quantities to numerals.

Christmas celebration—We have also started singing our Christmas songs for our Nativity play. This week I am starting to send letters and songs sheets home for all the children who attend on a Monday. If your child doesn't attend on a Monday and you would like them to attend please let me or Miss Wooldridge know as soon as possible, we will need you to accompany your child during the morning to ensure we have the correct ratio of adults:children.

Dress rehearsal will be on Mon, 9th December with our performance is on Mon, 16th December at 9.30am.

We hope you have a great weekend.

Mrs Youll

Reception Class'/Miss Cawthorne's Year 1's week:

We have had a fantastic week learning about Monty the Manatee. The children have produced some lovely under the sea pictures. They have also been busy building their own under the sea schools and pretending to be teachers.

Christmas celebration—Thurs, 12th December—We have started rehearsing for our Christmas celebration. As the time gets nearer the children will need to bring in a party outfit of their choice to wear during the performance, more details about this will be given to you next week.

This week we have been revising all sounds learnt so far. Miss Cawthorne's class have begun to look at the sounds **wh cks tch**

Word Charts- We are in the process of changing our word charts to match up to the Key Stage One Curriculum.

When your child completes their word chart they will move on to the new charts which will run in the same way.

For homework this week you could look at your letter formation sheets and have a go at writing some of the letters that you know.

Year 1- We have been very busy practicing our sentence writing this week and we are very happy with the progress that the children are making with this. In Maths we have looked at addition.

For homework you could have a go at adding things up at home and writing a number sentence for it.

Next week our story is Somebody Swallowed Stanley.

Have a great weekend.

Miss Cawthorne

Miss Boundy

Key Stage One's week:

This week we have started our new text 'How to wash a Woolly Mammoth'. Firstly, the children showed what we already knew about instruction writing and then we learned part of the text with actions which will help us with our writing. In maths, we have been adding 2 digit numbers.

We completed our Rousseau/ Hyde pictures by adding a tiger in the style of the artist Doug Hyde. They look brilliant.

Christmas celebration—The children will shortly be bringing home a booklet of words to learn for our performance on Friday, 13th December. It would be great if you could help them learn these over the next few weeks.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Quilter

Mrs Grimwood

Mrs Huggins

Mrs Oldfield

Years 3 and 4's week:

This week we have written incredibly persuasive letters to the Princess to kiss the frog. In maths, we have been exploring a range of addition and subtraction methods including number lines, partitioning and bar methods before moving onto formal written methods.

Morning routine—the children are responding well to the calm atmosphere in class at mornings drop off. Please could we remind parents to allow their children to come into class on their own to settle this helps them develop their independence and to quickly and calmly settle themselves into the morning routine

WANTED—glass jam jars to be used for our KS2 Christmas carol service—see diary dates for more information.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Gulliford

Mrs Johnson

Mr Whapham

Years 5 and 6 week:

The first 2 groups of children have taken part in a geography session involving understanding the basic use of a local map and navigating their way around the local estate using compass bearings. They covered 1.2 miles and all did really well. Over the next few weeks all Years 5 and 6 will take part in these sessions with a view to being able to use an Ordnance Survey map and key symbols.

Don't forget to practise for your weekly times tables/spelling tests. Website www.mathstest.org and spellings/homework on Seesaw <https://app.seesaw.me/>.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Lavictoire

Miss Squire

Mr Lewis

Friends of Orchard Vale News



The Friends of Orchard Vale (FoOV) have some fun events this year to raise funds to help subsidise trips and events across the school as well as equipment for classes and bigger projects.

WANTED—Do you have any pre-loved Christmas Jumpers you would like to donate to the Friends of Orchard Vale? Please bring these into the school office to be passed on to FoOV.

Fri, 29th November—Harry Potter Quiz Night

Tues, 3rd December—Tuck Shop

Wed, 4th December—New 2 U Xmas jumper sale

Dates and Events

Future Diary Dates (don't forget to check the school website, www.ovschool.co.uk for up to date information)

Wed, 27th Nov—Sheep Project Assembly

Thurs, 28th Nov—Sports 4 Champions—visit by Ezekiel Ewulo —Assembly and sponsored circuit sessions.

Thurs, 28th Nov—1.30pm to 8.30pm—Choir—Teachers Rock Choir Exeter Cathedral

Wed, 4th Dec—Year 5/6—Sports Hall Athletic Team—Park School

Thur, 5th Dec—6.30pm to 8.30pm— Choir—Christmas Pannier Market opening night

Mon, 9th Dec—1pm to 2pm—Nursery January Starter Taster session

Wed, 11th Dec—whole school Xmas dinner—School Council Xmas jumper day.

Wed, 11th Dec— 9.30am—Reception classes dress rehearsal.

Thurs, 12th Dec—9.30am to 10.30am—Reception Christmas celebration (school hall)

Thurs, 12th Dec— 9.30am to 2pm—Choir Community Carol Singing Day

Fri, 13th Dec—9.30am—Key Stage One—Christmas celebration (school hall)

Fri, 13th Dec—Stagecoach—Santa bus visit (more information to come)

Fri, 13th Dec— 6.45pm to 7.30pm—Choir Christmas carol concert—Christ Church, Bear Street.

Mon, 16th Dec—Stagecoach—Santa bus visit (more information to come)

Mon, 16th Dec—9am to 10.30am—Nursery Christmas celebration (school hall)

Mon, 16th Dec—1pm to 2pm—Nursery January Starter Taster session

Tue, 17th Dec— 9.45am to 1.15pm—Panto—Snow White—Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple—10am to 1.30pm

Wed, 18th Dec—3.30pm to 4.30pm—Key Stage Two—Carols in the Forest School 3.30 to 4.30. Children and their families can join us in the Forest School area for festive carols. (Children will be the responsibility of their parents)

Fri, 20th Dec—Last day of term.

Lunch menu week commencing 25th November 2019

(Please see the website for our new Autumn 2019/Spring 2020 menu)

NOTICE TO PARENTS—School dinners are now £2.30.

Menu available: 4th Nov, 25th Nov, 16th Dec, 20th Jan, 10th Feb, 9th Mar	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Mains	Pizza	Breaded fish	Roast pork with stuffing and gravy	Beef bolognese	Crunchy chicken with tomato salsa
	Vegetarian	Cheese and tomato pasta bake	Vegetable lasagne	Quorn sausage roll	Haloumi and roasted peppers	Veggie burger
	Served with	Croquet potatoes and carrot salad	Wedges and peas	Roast/mash and chefs veg	Pasta and sweetcorn	Tomato ketchup, fries and veggie sticks
	Dessert	Fruit Jelly	Banana and blueberry cake	Fresh fruit	Carrot and orange cake	Shortbread finger

Pre-book your Christmas Dinner 2019—Wednesday, 11th December

If your child would like to have a Christmas Dinner please could you ensure you have booked and paid for this with the school office.



Garry Potter Quiz

Come and join the Friends of Orchard Vale for a night of wizarding fun for all the family

Friday 29th November

Quiz begins at 7pm

Price is £2 per person; teams must be a maximum of 8

(if your team is less than 8 you may have to share a table)

We have a fabulous Garry Potter themed hamper for the winner

Come and test your knowledge on all things potter, take our sorting hat challenge and what will be inside your snitch?

We have special quiz sheets for the smaller children as well as bonus points to be gained throughout the evening

Potter themed food and drink for sale from 5Op

Due to the space this is offered on a first come first served basis, please return the slip below with the money to your child's class teacher or a member of the Gov asap.

Team Name.....

Childs Name Teacher.....

Number in team Contact number.....

Was your child born
between 1st September
2015 and 31st August 2016?

How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at

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or email: admissions@devon.gov.uk



Even if you have already given
details to a primary school, you
must apply for a place through the
Admissions Team. This is the only
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

School Admission Arrangements and Education Transport Policy

2021-22



**Opens on
1 November
2019**

**Closes on
3 January
2020**

You are invited to review the proposed admission arrangements for state-funded schools in Devon and the home-to-school transport policy for Devon County Council for the academic year 2021-22**

To view the policies, visit

www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements

or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019 for a paper copy

****and the following Plymouth academies:** Old Priory Junior Academy, Oreston Community Academy, Plympton St Mary's CofE Infant School, St Edward's CofE Primary, St George's CofE Primary, St Matthew's CofE Primary & Nursery and in Torbay: All Saints, Babbacombe, CofE Primary, Collaton St Mary CofE Primary, Ellacombe Academy, Galmpton CofE Primary, Ilsham CofE Academy, Oldway Primary, Roselands Primary, Shiphay Learning Academy, St Marychurch CofE Primary, St Michael's CofE Academy, Upton St James CofE Primary, Warberry CofE Academy

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EARTH DAY

Celebrating the Launch of the Kingsley Earth Centre you
are invited to our Earth Day on Tuesday 26th November



2pm - 3pm

Explore a range of environmental booths showcasing
forward-thinking businesses, organisations and contributors
who are putting sustainability at the heart of what they do

3pm – 3.45pm

Keynote speech by Sir Tim Smit KBE, Founder of the
Eden Project on sustainability, green energy and making
a difference

3.45pm – 4.30pm

Presentation of the Earth Centre by
Mr Pete Last and Mr Christopher Upton

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