

Orchard Vale's Weekly News

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Years 5 and 6 Sports Hall Athletics



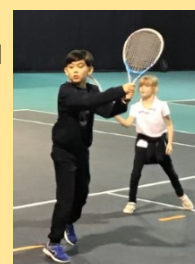
Well done to the twelve year 5 and 6 children who represented Orchard Vale at the North Devon qualifier sports hall athletics at the North Devon Leisure Centre. The top 16 schools from around North Devon were competing. Our team performed brilliantly and came a very respectable 9th place!

All the children put in 100% effort and were fantastic ambassadors for the school—well done!

Year 4 Tennis Festival



The Year 4 children had a wonderful morning at Tarka Tennis taking part in various tennis skills. They completed activities on footwork, basic racket control, forehand and backhand strokes and took part in small rallies with their peers. The children behaved fantastically and are developing a passion for tennis.



Design a sheep competition winners

Well done to everyone who sent in their fantastic design for OV's sheep. These will shortly be transformed into a brilliantly unique sheep ready for its travels around Devon to raise awareness of mental health issues in the young.

Winners were: The children in Little Seeds, Martha P, Kaito, Kelsey W and Corbin who all received a certificate for their wonderful designs.



End of School Pick Up Times

Please could we remind parents/carers of the end of school times.

Reception Classes—3.10pm

Key Stage One—3.10pm

Key Stage Two—3.15pm

Nursery Classes—3.30pm

If children are not collected on time they will be taken to the office and may be placed in an after school facility which could be chargeable at £7 per day.

If an unforeseen/unexpected event means you are going to be late please contact the school office.

Out of hours access to school grounds



Due to recent vandalism around the school out of hours, we will be locking the gates to the main playground at the end of the school day, over the weekend and during holidays.

If members of our community see or hear any acts of vandalism out of hours please call 999 and report the incident to the Police and advise the school office of the date and time so that we can check our CCTV footage. Thank you for your co-operation

After school sports and craft clubs



If your child was successful in gaining a place on one of the after school sports/craft clubs they will have been handed a letter this week confirming their place.

All clubs will be starting next week.

Cancelling a place—For Safeguarding reasons, so that staff and parents know where the children are after school, if your child decides they do not want to attend any more sessions, at any point, we will require written confirmation from parents.

Nursery—This week

We have continued learning about Winter and have been observing ice melting in the play tray. We have made winter chalk pictures, painted snowmen and used play-dough to make a variety of winter items. In maths, we have been looking at numbers 1-5 and learning how to put them in the correct order.

On Monday 20th January, we would like to start our forest school activities so please provide wellington boots and waterproof suits, if you have them. To save time, it would be much appreciated if your child can arrive ready in their boots and suits. Please bring shoes to change into afterwards.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Youll

Reception classes / Miss Cawthorne's Year 1—This week

We have had a fantastic week learning all about dinosaurs from our story 'My Pet Dinosaur Fred'. The children enjoyed putting different shapes together to build their own dinosaurs. They have been busy sorting dinosaurs by size and building places for their dinosaurs to live.

This week we have been looking at these sounds:-

Miss Boundy's Class- **sh th ng ve**

Miss Cawthorne's Class- **ai ee igh oa oo**

Reception - This week we have put all children on to our new word charts, which works in exactly the same way as the old charts, the words are now in line with curriculum changes. Please let your class teacher know when your child knows all of their words.

For homework Could you could design your own dinosaur habitat and have a go at labelling your picture.

Year 1- This week we are becoming confident with using the part whole model for addition. We have also started to look at our number bonds to ten. The children have started writing their own dinosaur stories.

For homework you could design your own dinosaur habitat and write some sentences about it.

P.E days are Monday and Friday for both classes. All children are now getting changed for PE so please bring kit on these days.

Next week are story is Tyrannosaurs Drip. Have a great weekend. Miss Cawthorne Miss Boundy

Years 1 and 2—This week

Wow, what an incredible week. The children have been working extremely hard. In maths, we were multiplying using arrays. The children showed great skill when counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and in many cases beyond.

In English, the children explored the different attributes an animal might have and trying to persuade their teacher why different animals should be 'king of the animals'. We also learned how to use speech marks.

The children loved learning about 'The Great Fire of London'; perhaps they can tell you any facts? We began our local study on Barnstaple, looking at some 'then and now' historical buildings. We will continue this over the next few weeks.

If you have any empty cereal boxes (all shapes and sizes) we would be very grateful for any donations. We will soon begin building our own Tudor houses as a part of our DT topic.

Have a great weekend. Mr Quilter Mrs Grimwood Mrs Huggins Mrs Oldfield

Years 3 and 4— This week

We have been busy with our core learning, spending time focusing on grammar and building our multiplication and division methods.

In PE, we have been exploring movement in dance and linking this to geography. Our Year 4's were lucky enough to take part in a tennis festival alongside other schools in North Devon.

Homework – Please could the children learn their spellings, do some reading, complete some Timetables Rockstars work online and perhaps a task from the Homework Task Sheet.

We hope you have a lovely weekend. Miss Gulliford Mrs Johnson Mr Whapham

Years 5 and 6—This week

The weather was much better today for the next lot of Geography/Orienteering walks, which the children have enjoyed. In class the children have enjoyed researching webpages in computing.

Homework and updates— please log into your Seesaw account to see what has been set for you this week. If you need help logging in please talk to your class teacher.

Please could the children practise times tables and spelling for testing next week. They can practise maths on the website www.mathstest.org and spellings/homework on Seesaw <https://app.seesaw.me/>.

Have a great weekend. Miss Squire Mrs Rana Mr Lewis Mrs Lowrey



Friends of Orchard Vale News

The Friends of Orchard Vale (FoOV) plan events through the year to raise funds to help subsidise trips and events across the school as well as equipment for classes and larger projects.

We are desperate for people to help out on Tuck Shop mornings, from 9am to 11am, on the first Tuesday of each month. All volunteers must be DBS checked, which is a relatively quick process and free to you. If you are not DBS checked please speak to the school office who will be happy to start the process.

Tue, 4th Feb—Tuck Shop

Dates and Events

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

Wed, 22nd Jan—Year 6 and Reception—Public Health Devon—National Child Measurement Programme.

Fri, 24th Jan—Year 5—Geography walk—Group 2

Fri, 24th Jan—Year 6—Geography/Orienteering walk (Group 3).

Fri, 24th Jan—Visit by Oxford Sandy and Black Pig Group.

Fri, 31st Jan—Non Uniform day—raising money for Ocean Revival.

Fri, 31st Jan—Visit by Royal Marines and their boat—Ocean Revival.

Fri, 31st Jan—Year 5—Geography walk—Group 3

Fri, 31st Jan—Year 6—Geography/Orienteering walk (Group 1)

Tue, 4th Feb—Magic Martin (interactive Magic Show)—Reception and Key Stage One—School Council treat

Wed, 5th Feb—Devon Ability Games

Fri, 7th Feb—Year 6—Geography/Orienteering walk (Group 2)

Tue, 11th Feb—School Council—Big Breakfast (whole school will be provided with breakfast in class at 9am)

Wed, 12th Feb—School Council—Non Uniform Day

Wed, 12th Feb—Key Stage Two Assembly—Julien House—homeless charity

Fri, 14th Feb—Year 6—Geography/Orienteering walk (Group 3)

Mon, 17th to Fri, 21st Feb—HALF TERM

Lunch menu week commencing 20th January 2020

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

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 bolognaise	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

Visit to Orchard Vale by Ocean Revival Team

Ocean Revival 2020 are partnering with Plastic Oceans UK to deliver an educational programme to school across the UK. Matt Mason and his team will be visiting Orchard Vale on Friday, 31st January to talk to us about oceans, marine life and the effect plastic and our own human behaviour is having on those systems.

Matt and his team will be bringing the Rossiter 2 Pure Class Ocean rowing boat they will be using for the challenge for the children to have a look at.

To support their amazing fundraising feat we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday, 31st January and inviting children/parents to make a donation towards this very worthy cause.



**NEW YORK TO LONDON | 3700 MILES | NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN
RECORD ROW**

OCEAN REVIVAL 2020 | OUR ETHOS

Plastic in our Oceans is an astronomical problem that is hugely affecting the ecological systems that are vital not just to Marine Life but also Human. According to 'Science Journal', 12.7 million tonnes of plastic enter our oceans every year, causing havoc with our oceans food systems and marine life, and the problem is only getting worse.

OCEAN REVIVAL 2020 is a team of serving and former serving Royal Marine Commandos, who have fought alongside each other in 45 Commando. They have now teamed up to take the fight against plastic by rowing across the **North Atlantic Ocean**, rowing a route that has never been completed before and one that is statistically the most dangerous and arduous ocean row to attempt. **Ocean Revival 2020** is fighting back by attempting to raise awareness and help keep momentum in the fight against plastic in our oceans; a fight the team would love you to join them on.

♥ ♥ Valentines ♥ ♥

Queen Anne's

Friday 14th February from 7.30pm

On Arrival...

Glass of Prosecco & Canapes

Smoked Salmon Bagels, Bruschettas with Chorizo, Olives & Sun Dried Tomatoes,

Red Pepper & Cheddar Fritattas

To Follow

Pan Fried Fillets of Sea Bass

With Roasted Tomato & Garlic Sauce, New Potatoes and Vegetables

Slow Braised Flat Iron Beef Steak in Red Wine

Served with Herb Roasted New Potatoes & Vegetables

Mushroom, Brie & Cranberry Wellington

Served with Red Wine Reduction, Herb Roasted New Potatoes & Vegetables

To Finish

Chocolate Torte

Raspberry & White Chocolate Cheesecake

West Country Cheese Board

£29.50 pp

All Dishes are freshly prepared using local produce.

Alterations can be made for dietary requirements. Please advise when booking.

Reservations: 01271 325232 or email: queenannes@cafeonthestrand.co.uk

Queen Anne's, The Strand, Barnstaple, EX31 1EU



The poster features a large, stylized heart shape in the background, with a smaller heart inside it. The text is arranged around the heart. At the top, it says 'Queen Anne's CAFE ON THE STRAND'. Below that, in large, elegant script, is 'Valentine's Dinner and Dance'. To the right of the heart, it says 'Raising money for Children's Hospice South West'. Below that, in bold, is 'Friday 14th February 2020, 7.00pm'. To the left of the heart, it says 'Canapes, prosecco on arrival, two course dinner'. Below that, it says 'Live music from The Marionettes' and 'Raffle and auction'. To the right of the heart, it says 'Tickets available from the café or by calling 01271 325232 £29.50 per person'. Below that, it says 'We're helping to make the most of short and precious lives across the South West' and 'www.chsw.org.uk'. At the bottom, it says 'Supporting children's hospices SOUTH WEST' and 'Helping Children live Longer'.

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Run, Coffee & Cake

In support of
Calvert Trust
Exmoor



Saturday 15th February
9:30am

Orchard Vale Community School
Whiddon Valley, Barnstaple

Calling all running friends and 'coffee & cake' lovers!

As part of my London Marathon fundraising in support of the Calvert Trust, I am organising a

'Run, Coffee & Cake' morning on Saturday 15th February at Orchard Vale School, Barnstaple.

For those who wish to run, there will be a 2.5k route around the Whiddon Valley area (no off road) that is suitable for all abilities. You will be able to complete as many laps as you wish.

Children can take part but **ONLY** if accompanied by a responsible adult.

Cakes and drinks will be available after you have finished your run.

Please note that this is not a race - it will not be marshalled and there is no entry fee, although any donations will be gratefully received.

For those who do not wish to run, please come along to Orchard Vale School any time between

10:00 - 12:00 to enjoy a selection of cakes and hot and cold drinks in return for a donation.

It would be helpful to have an idea of numbers in advance, so please can you comment on my Facebook post or private message me if you fancy coming along.

Thank you ☺

Neil Partridge



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