

# Orchard Vale's Weekly News

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## Headteacher's message

Dear Parents/Carers

A huge thanks to everyone who helped to make the summer fayre a success this year. It was lovely to see such a turn out and even the weather was on our side. We are sure you will agree there was a lovely atmosphere with children and parents having fun and supporting the school. A big thanks to the PTFA and staff who organised it. We will let you know how much you have helped us raise, after deductions, in next week's newsletter.

We have continued to be lucky with the weather, with the Nursery Sports day just beating the rain on Monday morning. We hope you all enjoyed joining us this year for our sports days. Years 3 and 4 had a wonderful time, on Tuesday visiting Watermouth Castle. Our second group of Years 5/6 children have had a great time taking part in the junior lifeguards/surfing day at Putsborough with Nick Thorne today; they come back with a better understanding of how to stay safe on and around the water, as well as having a fun time.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all at parent/pupil consultations next week. Your child's school report has been emailed to you this week. These evening are an opportunity to see the work your child has been doing and find out who their new teacher will be next year. Your child will have the opportunity of meeting their new teacher during the last week of school, as part of their transition morning.

### Uniform

You may be starting to look at replenishing your child's uniform before the September start. As you know, we are gradually moving to a direct online supplier, School Threads (see the website for a link). We currently have a few sizes left in stock at Orchard Vale, which you can pay for on Parentpay. If an item is not available, please follow the link to School Threads and you will be able to purchase this for them to be delivered to your home. Book bags and PE bags are available from School Threads only.

### Parking

Finally, we have had some disappointing reports of abusive behaviour towards our neighbours over parking. We do not tolerate this kind of behaviour and ask that you treat our neighbours and each other with respect and kindness. If there are any issues regard parking, please contact the **Police on 101** or email [101@dc.police.uk](mailto:101@dc.police.uk)



We are all looking forward to the PTFA's treat on Monday for Reception to Year 6 visiting Junglaroo. Please check your emails for full information. Nursery and Little Seeds will receive information next week about their treat.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Fiona Pearce  
Headteacher

## WANTED

We are wondering if anyone could help us with some resources for the Reception classes.

We would be very grateful if you are able to donate any of the following:

- Small Cars
- Small world animals / minibeasts / sea creatures
- Jigsaw puzzles up to 40 pieces (complete)
- Colouring books and notepads
- Simple games
- Dolls
- Jugs and containers (water play)
- Natural resources eg fir cones and shells
- Puppets
- Construction toys eg lego, marble run

We also need boys 4 – 5 year trousers if you have any to spare.

Please bring any donations to the school office.

Thank you for your support.

The Reception team

## Mr Ovey's After School Sports Clubs

Please see below information about Mr Ovey's afterschool sports club for the remainder of the school year.

### Week commencing 10th July

MONDAY 10TH- VENTRUS FOOTBALL CLUB - ON (LAST ONE)  
TUESDAY 11TH- KS1 FOOTBALL CLUB - ON (LAST ONE)  
WEDNESDAY 12TH- KS2 TENNIS CLUB – CANCELLED  
THURSDAY 13TH YEAR 3/4 FOOTBALL CLUB - ON (LAST ONE)  
FRIDAY 14TH KS2 CRICKET CLUB - ON (LAST ONE)

### Week commencing 17th July (NO CLUBS WILL RUN THIS WEEK)

MONDAY 17TH - VENTRUS FOOTBALL – CANCELLED  
TUESDAY 18TH - KS1 FOOTBALL CLUB – CANCELLED  
WEDNESDAY 19TH - KS2 TENNIS CLUB – CANCELLED  
THURSDAY 20TH - 3/4 FOOTBALL CLUB – CANCELLED

I would like to thank all the children who have attended my sports clubs this year! As always, the uptake has been excellent and all children have been a pleasure to have.

Please look out for new clubs which will begin in September.



## Price Changes as from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023

We need to inform all parents that, after careful consideration, we are having to increase the cost of:

**Breakfast Club - £3.50 per child/per day (£3 for siblings)**

**After School Club – OV Explorers - £7 per child/per day**

**School meals - the cost of a meal will be £2.50.**

This decision has not been taken lightly, but with the significantly higher costs we are now facing for our gas and electric, along with the food and non-food inflationary costs increasing by over 12%, we are now at the point where we need to reflect these in our price costs.

We fully understand how difficult times are, therefore, we have tried to keep the increase as small as possible. As a nation we are all hoping that food and utility costs stabilise or potentially drop in the months ahead but as a precaution we will be undertaking a further review of meal prices in spring 2024.

The Government has continued to support the Universal Infant Free School Meals project, and this means that all the children, from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 can be provided with a school meal free of charge.

If your child is in Years 3-6, they can also have a free school meal if you are in receipt of certain allowances. Please contact the school office for information or help in completing forms.

If there is a difficulty in providing payment for meals, please contact the school office as soon as possible. All queries and requests for support are confidential and we will always work with families to ensure find the best solution we can.

**Nursery and Little Seeds fees remain the same.**

Thank you for your support and understanding.

### Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?

If you are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals and your child is registered for this on our pupil records? You will be receiving your voucher codes next week to redeem for supermarket vouchers for the summer holidays. If you think you may be eligible for benefit related Free School Meals you should complete an application on the Devon County Council website using the Citizens Portal [Citizen Portal - Sign in \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/citizen-portal).

If you have applied, and it is confirmed you are eligible, please let us know as soon as possible so we can verify this and have time to obtain additional voucher codes from Devon County Council. The deadline date for this is the **25<sup>th</sup> July 2023**.

Any children who are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals will have already received a letter with a code for the Devon County Council Holiday Activity and Food funded activities; there are limited spaces available for you to book over the summer holidays. These are booked following the instructions on the letter you were sent with the code and are administered by Devon County Council. Only one letter is sent with a code that covers the length of the HAF project.

### Congratulations to Reading road champions

**Luka Franklin**

On reaching 25 reads

**Tahlia**

On reaching 100 reads

**Bella**

On reaching 150 reads

### Congratulations to Years 3 and 4 - High Flyers

**Colby**

On reaching 100 reads

**Hollie G**

On reaching 200 reads



# Stars of the week



## Rising Rosens

Kojo for showing improved independence and playing nicely with your friends.

Liliana for demonstrating enthusiasm, imagination and creativity in your activities and being a good friend.

## Dazzling Donaldsons

Reuben P - For showing improvement in his approach to learning, and for being so helpful to his friends, especially in phonics. Well done, Reuben!

## Extraordinary Elizabeth

Toby is a popular boy who is well known and loved across the school. He is always on the receiving end of many high fives from the older children and he always considers the feelings of others. This week, Toby has particularly impressed me and Mrs Golding with his maths knowledge. Toby has been using his problem-solving skills to find solutions to difficult maths problems and it is great to see him take pride in his abilities. Toby, you are such a clever boy with a huge heart. Keep up the super work!

## Buzzing Buzz Aldrins

Joshua is a truly deserving star this week! His attitude towards his learning has been excellent and he is now attempting to complete tasks independently without an adult by his side; this is amazing and will certainly help you next year as you move into year 3. Joshua is making excellent progress with his reading, and I am very proud of his hard work! Joshua has an infectious smile and is a pleasure to have in class; great job Josh!

## Positive Tim Peaks

My star of the week this week is Ronnie. Ronnie is the perfect little gentleman with fantastic manners that are often commented on by a number of adults who work with him. He is an amazing friend with a wonderful cheeky sense of humour. Ronnie is a hard, conscientious worker who never gives less than 100% in all he is asked to do and this hard work is paying off, most notably in his reading. I know that Mr Quilter is particularly impressed with how Ronnie is applying all the reading skills he has learnt and has become a very competent and confident reader. Well done Ronne you are a super star.

## Amazing Armstrongs

My star of the week is Alfie. Alfie is a young man who can often appear to be in a little world of his own and not really attending to what is going on in class. However, this week he has proved what an amazing little sponge he is. Alfie has been soaking up all his phonics without appearing to and his reading is coming along beautifully. He has worked hard on his thank you letter to George the Giant all on his own. Alfie is a great mathematician too and can work things out in his head quickly and accurately. He is working hard on his urge to shout out the answer every time. Alfie I am really seeing you grow and settle lately and it is wonderful to see. You are a learning star!



## School Diary Dates

Mon, 10th July	Reception to Year 6—PFTA Junglaroo treat
Mon, 10th to Fri, 13th July	Parent/Pupil/Teacher interview
Wed, 12th July	Years 5/6—Top Up Swimming Lessons
Wed, 12th July	Pilton MFL day at Combe Martin (selected children)
Wed, 12th July	Somerset –v– Hampshire cricket (selected children)
Wed, 12th July	Year 6—Athletics Festival
Thur, 13th July	September 2023—Reception drop in taster session (4pm to 4.45pm)
Thur, 13th July	Year 6—Park School Induction Day
Fri, 14th July	Year 6—Park School Induction Day
Mon, 17th July	Nursery/Little Seeds—PTFA Junglaroo treat
Mon, 17th July	Year 6 End of Primary School Trip to Milkyway
Tues, 18th July	North Devon Boys Football Finals
Wed, 19th July	Whole School transition to new classes.
Wed, 19th July	Allotment visit
Wed, 19th July	September 2023—Reception drop in taster session (4pm to 4.45pm)
Wed, 19th July	Proposed Year 6 Presentation Evening
Thur, 20th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Fri, 21 July	Non Pupil Day
Mon, 24th—Tue, 25th July	Non Pupil Days
Wed, 26th July to Wed, 6th Sep	<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>

## Week commencing 10th July 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>M</b>	Cheese & onion pasty	Chicken & bacon tagliatelle	Roast Turkey and Stuffing	Fish Fingers	Meat feast pizza baguette
<b>V</b>	Spanish omelette	Broccoli & cauliflower bake	Quorn Fillet	Quorn nuggets	Plant based meatball sub with tomato sauce
<b>Sides</b>	Wedges or pasta, sweetcorn & baked beans	Crusty bread, green beans & peas	Roast or mash potato, sliced carrots, broccoli & Gravy	Chips or pasta, carrots & cucumber sticks	Pasta, coleslaw & sweetcorn
<b>JP</b>	Cheese/Beans/Tuna	Cheese/Beans/Tuna	Cheese/Beans/Tuna	Cheese/Beans/Tuna	Cheese/Beans/Tuna or Coleslaw
<b>SPL</b>	Cheese Roll	Ham roll	Turkey and stuffing roll	Tuna mayo roll	Sausage Roll
<b>D</b>	Fresh smoothie	Chocolate brownie	Fresh fruit	Cookie	Pip organic fruit lolly

Low Fat Yoghurts, Fresh Fruit, Bread, Water will be available daily, Milk on request.  
Gluten Free/Dairy Free/Vegan menu available on request



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# SUMMER ACTIVITY DAYS

**ONLY £21.00 A DAY**

**TIME:**  
8.30AM-3.30PM

**DATES AND VENUES:**

**WEEK 1: EDEN PARK ACADEMY**  
Monday 31st Jul- Friday 4th Aug

**WEEK 2: STICKLEPATH PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Monday 7th Aug-Friday 11th Aug

**WEEK 3: STICKLEPATH PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Monday 14th Aug- Friday 19th Aug

**WEEK 4: STICKLEPATH PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Monday 21st Aug

PRIMARY SPORTS are running Summer Holiday Activities days at during the Summer holidays for children ages 5-11 years old.

ACTIVITIES INVOLVED: Nerf gun battles, football, hockey, tennis, dance, netball, cricket, glow in the dark dodgeball, art and craft activities and much more!

**HOW TO BOOK:**

- Enter our website [www.primary-sports.co.uk](http://www.primary-sports.co.uk)
- Click on the "Book now tab"
- Click on the "NORTH DEVON Summer activity days"
- Complete the online booking form OR follow this link: <https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events>

**HOT MEAL OPTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL £6**  
(£27 per day in total)

Contact Us: [north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk](mailto:north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk) Tla- 07789954068 / emma- 07531530131

## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

**ASDA**  
Kids eat for £1 All Day. Every Day at Asda cafes. with no adult spend required.

**TESCO**  
Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

**SAINSBURYS CAFES**  
Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11.30am every day.

**BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**THE REAL GREEK**  
Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult.

**TABLE TABLE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**TRAVELODGE**  
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

**HUNGRY HORSE**  
Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

**PREMIER INN**  
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

**SIZZLING PUBS**  
Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

**IKEA**  
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

**MORRISONS**  
Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day. every day.

**GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**  
Kids under 8 eat FREE all day. every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

**PRETO**  
Kids up to age 10 eat free all day. every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

**BILLS**  
2 kids eat FREE all day. every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

**BELLA ITALIA**  
Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

**WHITBREAD INNS**  
Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

**SA BRAINS PUBS**  
Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

**FUTURE INNS**  
Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

**PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**  
Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

**YO! SUSHI**  
From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

**TO BE CONFIRMED...**  
M&S and Farmhouse Inns



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**FREE**  
**OPEN SESSION**

Under 6s/Year 1 and  
Under 7s/Year 2

Saturday 15th July @  
Chivenor Grass Pitches  
9:30am - 11:00am

For more information or to sign up please  
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