

A message from the Head of School.

We started November with a bang it was great to see so many people from our community attending school council bonfire. The community spirit was amazing and the event was a real credit to the School Council and Miss Hill who should be proud of what they achieve. A big thank you, of course, to everyone who helped to organise the event and those who attended.

November also brought Remembrance Day. Once again, we found ourselves very proud of all the children at OV and the respect they show on this important occasion. We were pleased that our whole school evacuation also went very smoothly.

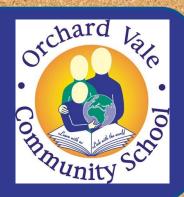
Finally, many thanks for your support with Operation Christmas Child. The boxes were taken to Grosvenor Church for distribution. A lot of children will have a special surprise this Christmas. All of these events add up to a November filled with community spirit.

December is fast approaching and we are proud to announce our whole school production is 'OV's Spirit: The Greatest Show!' Tickets will be on sale from next week. I know that this will be one not to be missed...!

Bike to School Day

It was lovely to see so many children taking part in the Sustrans Bike/Scoot to school day. Each child was entered into a raffle and congratulations to those that won a prize.





Dates for your diaries.

Tues, 4th Dec: Choir Carol Singing at Barnstaple residential homes.

Wed, 5th Dec: Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 6th Dec: Year 5 6 visit to Fleet Air Arm Museum.

Thurs, 6th Dec: Choir singing at Barnstaple Christmas Fayre&Carol Service

Mon, 10th Dec: Afternoon Performance—1.30pm

Tue, 11th Dec: Morning and Evening Performance - 9.30am and 6.30pm

Wed, 12th Dec: Evening performance—6.30pm

Tue, 18th Dec: Panto Queens Theatre

Wed 19th Dec: Last day of term.

Orchard Vale Community Band

The Community Band have visited Port Mill Court, Barnstaple on two occasions so far to teach the residents how to play Ukeleles. The children and residents are really enjoying the experience.







Operation Christmas Child

Thank you for supporting Operation Christmas child, another worthy cause. The school delivered an astonishing 50 wonderful shoeboxes filled with goodies to Grosvenor Church today ready for distribution.





Remembrance Day

We have been learning about the importance of remembrance, respect and the 100 year anniversary of the end of the First World War. Every child made a poppy which they placed on the turning circles outside the school as a sign of our respect.





OV Pupils Achievements.

If your child would like to share their achievements outside school with us, whether in Sport, Music, Drama, volunteering please email the details to 'orchardvale@ventrus.org.uk' with the heading "OV Pupils' Achievement". This will be celebrated on the school website and in our News Bulletins.



Cross Country Success

Well done to the Key Stage Two children who represented us at the Bratton Fleming Cross Country on 15th November.

Everyone who attended finished within the first 10 places – wow.

Year 3 girls 1st Ria 5th Heidi 7th Alice

Year 3 boys 1st William R 3rd Ajay 4th Phineas

Year 4 girls 6th Khloe 8th Penny

Year 4 boys 2nd Ewan 3rd Jay 4th Riley A 5th Flynn

Year 5 girls 1st Sophie R

Year 5 boys 3rd Will Pe

Year 6 boys 3rd Nathan C 6th Sam T 8th Rhys

