Dear Parents/Carers

It is great to see you all back after the break. We had an exciting start to the week with a visit by Lifeguards from the RNLI talking to the children about how to stay safe near water. A big well done to the Year 2 children who had a very enjoyable morning at Tarka Tennis for the tennis festival. They behaved impeccably and performed with enormous amounts of enthusiasm and excitement.

This week in English, we have been writing about real life experiences. We have written about our Easter break, the visit we had from the local lifeguards and the year 2s wrote about their Tarka Tennis trip.

In Maths, we have been exploring 'part, part whole'; this is a task that helps link addition and subtraction. Over the next few weeks we will be doing lots of revision; revisiting previous areas taught.

The topic for the term is 'Under the Sea'. The children have been talking about the continents and oceans of the world. Some of the children have begun to learn about the 5 major oceans in the world, with some map and atlas work. We also learned to draw seahorses.

School Council - Sandcastle Competition - 29th April to 29th May

The School Council are running a sand castle competition. Please see attached for full information.

School Angel - Fundraising initiative

If you shop with your favourite brands online through Orchard Vale's School angel link the retailers will make a donation to the school. Please see the poster on the attached sheet for details of which retailers take part in this initiative.

Lost Property

If you child has lost any items over the spring term please could you check the Lost Property area on the Key Stage 2 landing, outside Years 5 and 6 classes. Any unlabelled items not claimed will be recycled by the Friends of Orchard Vale in a New-2-U sale.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week Two" (see attached new Summer Term menu)

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

Mon, 6th May -Bank Holiday Mon, 27th to Fri, 31st May - Half term Mon, 3rd June - Non Pupil Day

We hope you have a great weekend.

KS1 Team



5* April 2019

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Throughout May the Orchard Vale School Council will be holding a **FREE** sandcastle competition!

It will run from 29th April until 29th May.

There will be 2 winners from each year group below:

Nursey/Reception, KS1 KS2

Winners will be revealed on 31" May and will receive a beach related goody bag.

Here are the rules:

- You must build your sandcastle at the beach.
- Your family can help you.
- You can use anything you like to help build it.
- You can decorate your sandcastle using materials found at the beach, such as stones, shells etc.
- You must take a picture and either e-mail to school or bring in a photo and you must be in the picture of your sandcastle.
- You can enter the competition as many times as you like.

Make sure you have included your child's name and class on the photo or email. If you are unable to print off your picture, please email it to ovsandcastle@outlook.com

Have fun and good luck!

School Council





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9:30am to 12:30pm

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