

Dear Families

8th March 2019

The children have had a great week learning about *The Smartest Giant in Town*. They have loved designing their own outfits for the Giant, creating their own towns for the Giant to live in and writing thank you cards to the Giant. We had a fantastic World Book Day, their outfits were amazing. The children loved showing off their outfits and sharing their stories with their friends. Well done, to Betsy who was voted one of the overall winners for the best costume across the school and received a £5 voucher each to use at the book fair next week.

In phonics this week we have learned the sounds:

or ur air er

Please practise these at home. Please remember to let your class teacher know when your child is confident with reading all of their teddy/ fish or boat words etc.

If you would like you could design your own smart outfit for your own Giant.

Forest School - Miss Cawthorne's class on a Tuesday and Miss Boundy's class on a Thursday, please bring wellies on these days.

Personal Toys in School

We would appreciate it if you could help us keep the number of personal toys in school down, unless it has been agreed with your class teacher beforehand as a comfort/transitioning toy. Toys cause countless arguments between the children and are very distracting in class.

Our book next week is 'Monkey Puzzle'.

School Nut Policy

Orchard Vale aims to protect the children/staff who have severe nut allergies. We request that parents/carers observe our nut free policy by not including nuts or products which contain nuts in school lunch boxes. (Please see full allergy information on the attached notice).

Book Fair - Thursday, 14th and Friday, 15th March - 8.30-9am and 3.15-4.45pm

We would like to invite you to visit the Book Fair in the School Hall. There are over 200 titles with prices starting at £2.99. Something for everyone to enjoy! Every book you buy helps us get free books for the school. Payment will be in cash or via phone payment. Children can use their World Book Day £1 vouchers to put towards the costs of a book at the fair.

Non-Uniform Day - Red Nose Day - Friday, 15th March

The School Council have organised a non-uniform day to celebrate Red Nose Day 2019. They will be selling Red Noses in classrooms from Monday, 11th to Friday, 15th March at £1.25 each.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week Two'.

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

Mon, 18th and Tue, 19th March - Book Fair

Fri, 5th - Last day of school before Easter

Mon, 8th to Mon 22nd April - Easter holidays.

Tues, 23rd April - Back to school after Easter

Have a fantastic weekend.

Miss Cawthorne

Miss Boundy



Dear Parents/Carers and children

Comic Relief 2019 – Friday, 15th March

This year for Comic Relief the School Council will be selling Red Noses during morning registration from **Monday 11th - Friday 15th March**.

Red Noses will cost **£1.25** and will be sold on first-come, first-served basis as normal. It would be extremely helpful if the children could have the correct change.

Friday 15th March - non-school uniform day

Children can come to school in their own clothes and bring in a donation, however big or small. We have plenty of **Red Nose Day sticker** to hand out for all donations received.

Each class will be putting aside some time for the children to share jokes with each other. Perhaps they could think of their favourites.

All monies will be donated to Comic Relief.

We are looking forward to having a fabulous and fun day on Friday, 15th March.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

School Council



Nut free zone

Orchard Vale aims to protect the children/staff who have severe nut allergies. We request that parents/carers observe our nut free policy and do not include-nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes



Items which should not be brought into school:

Packs of nuts, peanut butter/Nutella sandwiches,
Items which contain nuts - cereal bars, certain chocolate bars, sesame seed rolls, cakes.

Snacks for morning break for Key Stage 1

The Government provides a piece of fruit.

Snacks for morning break for Key Stage 2

And

Afternoon snacks for Key Stage 1 / Foundation

A piece of fruit, vegetables or cheese



THINGS NOT TO BE EATEN AT BREAK TIME

breakfast bars - yogurts - fruit winders - fruit in wrappers



You are invited to Orchard Vale's

SCHOLASTIC

Book Fair

Roll up, roll up! The Book Fair is on its way to Orchard Vale.
Please come and join us on

Thursday, 14th March - Friday, 15th March
Monday, 18th March - Tuesday, 19th March

At

8.30am to 9am and 3.15pm to 3.45pm

In the
School Hall

There are over 200 titles with prices starting at £2.99.

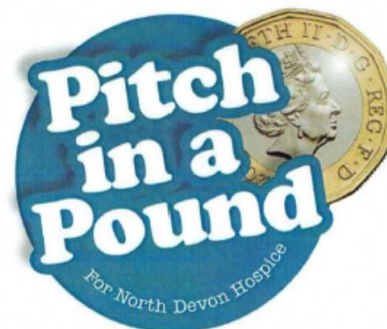
Something for everyone to enjoy!

Every book you buy helps get FREE BOOKS for our school.

The more we sell the more commission we have to spend on books for the
class book corners and the school Library.

Payment methods

Cash or Phone Payments



Thank you for
taking part!

**Orchard Vale
Community
School.**

You have raised a
great

£169.02

Thank you so much to
everyone who donated!

North Devon Hospice Fundraising Team

01271 347232

email crichards@northdevonhospice.org.uk

www.pitchinapound.co.uk





EASTSIDE YOUTH FC Under 8's



New Youth Football Team

A new team has been formed in Barnstaple, Eastside Youth FC Under 8's. We are currently looking for new players to come and join the fun. If you are in Year 3 at present (2018/2019) and interested in football, then we would like to hear from you. We currently train on a Wednesday night.

Boys and Girls welcome, please contact Darran to find out more on 07557 675330.

BARNSTAPLE LIBRARY EVENTS

Saturday 9th March

Help us create Tech Tales in the FabLab at Barnstaple Library.

An introduction to electronics, specifically using Arduinos to sense and control mechanisms.

Arduinos are single-board micro controllers for building digital devices and interactive objects that can sense and control both physically and digitally.

Absolutely no previous experience is necessary in electronics or engineering to attend. Hopefully you will go away with the grounding ready to build your own gadgets!

You will also help towards building the Tech Tales installation currently under development. There will be a range of jobs. This piece will be on display in Barnstaple library from the end of March.

There are very limited spaces so be quick to sign up!

Part of Evolve activity with Libraries Unlimited funded by Arts Council England.

Please note that ticket sales will end at 12pm the working day before the event.

Booking on <https://techtalesbarnstaple.eventbrite.co.uk>

Create Tech Tales at Barnstaple Library

[An electronics workshop](https://techtalesbarnstaple.eventbrite.co.uk) (techtalesbarnstaple.eventbrite.co.uk)

Help us create Tech Tales at Barnstaple Library. An introduction to electronics, specifically using Arduino's to sense and control mechanisms. Arduino's are single-board micro controllers for building digital devices and interactive objects that can sense and control both physically and digitally.

Absolutely no previous experience is necessary in electronics or engineering to attend. Hopefully you will go away with the grounding ready to build your own gadgets! You will also help towards building the Tech Tales installation currently under development. There will be a range of jobs.

This piece will be on display in Barnstaple library from the end of March. There are very limited spaces so be quick to sign up! Part of Evolve activity with Libraries Unlimited funded by Arts Council England.

Tuesday, 19th March

Our Friends of Barnstaple Library group are holding a quiz night **Tuesday 19th March**. £5 per person. Register your places at the library on 01271 318780 or in person. Have an evening of fun whilst helping support the library. Refreshments and raffle on the night.

Shakespeare Week celebrations Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st Drop in after school Shakespeare themed children's crafts 4-5.30 Suitable for 6+.

Saturday 23rd March

Join the Private Eye's award-winning cartoonist Tony Husband to discover and create your very own comic strip. Your contribution will feed into a new comic, made over both days, that will become available in our libraries for all to enjoy. Book on the link here. Tickets are booking up quickly for this one.

Create a Comic Book Workshop

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/create-a-comic-book-workshop-with-tony-husband-of-private-eye-fame-tickets-55978892374>

Create a Comic Book Workshop – with Tony Husband of 'Private Eye' fame A workshop for people aged 8-108 to discover and create a comic strip. Led by master cartoonist Tony Husband ('Private Eye'), discover and create your very own comic strip. Your contribution will feed into a new comic, made over both days, that will become available in our libraries for all to enjoy.