Dear Families 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018

We have had a fantastic week learning all about The Gingerbread Man, the children have enjoyed retelling the story, creating their own Gingerbread Men puppets and of course making some delicious Gingerbread to eat. The children have continued to work hard in phonics and are really getting the hang of all the new sounds.

In phonics this week we have learned the sounds:

ff | || ss

Please practice these at home. Please remember to let your class teacher know when your child is confident with reading all of their teddy words.

In Maths we have been looking at more and less and comparing different amounts. To continue this learning at home you could compare groups of objects and ask your child which group has more/less. Check by counting them and discussing how many there would be if you added one more.

Our story when we return from half term will be The Little Red Hen.

We have had a lovely first half term and it has been wonderful to see the children settling in so well.

Thank you for all of your support and we hope you all have a fantastic half term.

Fri, 19th October - This is a Non Pupil Day.

## School Council Bonfire Night - Friday, 2nd November

The School Council are organising a bonfire night treat in the forest school area and school field. If you would like to book a ticket please come along to the Key Stage 2 Library area on a Tuesday or Thursday between 8.30am and 9am or visit the school office.

## Parent/Pupil/Teacher interviews - 6th and 7th November

Thank you for returning your slips requesting a time slot with us for the Parent/Pupil/Teacher interviews. We will be sending home slips confirming your interview time on Wednesday,  $31^{st}$  October.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week One" (new lunch menus have been sent home and are on the website)

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

Mon, 29th October - Back to school.

Thur, 1st Nov - Bike to school

Thur, 1st Nov - Early Years parent/guardian curriculum meeting - 4.30pm (see separate details)

Fri, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov - Non-Uniform day - School Council

Sat, 24th Nov - Friends of Orchard Vale - Christmas Craft Fayre - 1pm to 4pm

Mon, 26th Nov - Flu Vaccinations