

Orchard Vale's Weekly News

Thursday, 22nd October 2020

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Headteacher's message

It was lovely seeing so many of the children wearing purple yesterday supporting the Over and Above Cancer and Wellbeing Centre's Appeal - Great Purple Week. We have really enjoyed looking at the beautiful rainbows the children have coloured in.



Thank you for your extremely generous donations; you have raised an amazing £684. Well done!

Everyone has coped so well this half term with the different routines in school. Well done to all of our wonderful children and thank you to our parents/carers for helping support us through the daily changes imposed on us by Covid-19.

We hope you are all looking forward to the break next week, let's hope that the weather brightens up so that you can spend as much time outside as possible. It would be lovely to see what the children have been up to over the break so do share your photos to the orchardvale@ventrus.org.uk email address.



daylight saving time ends

Don't forget that the clocks go **back** this Sunday by 1 hour.

I look forward to seeing you all back on Monday, 2nd November.

Fiona Pearce, Headteacher



Year 3 Multiskills Festival—Tuesday, 20th October



Due to Covid-19, we were unable to join together with all of the schools across North Devon for this annual festival. Lucky for us though Chris Farr, Barnstaple Schools' Sports Co-ordinator visited us on Tuesday to deliver some action packed sessions to our Year 3 children.

The Year 3 children took part in 6 activities based around netball, football and rugby. Although it was a little overcast the weather was kind to them. Well done everyone!

North Devon Journal—First Class

The North Devon Journal have celebrated Reception aged children across North Devon who have started school this term. On Thursday, 22nd October class photos will appear in the North Devon Journal.



School Photos

ONLINE ORDERS—Visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk; enter the reference number, found under or at the side of the photo and the Web Access Code. To receive FREE post and packaging back to Orchard Vale you will need to place and pay for your order by Thursday, 29th October. Orders placed after the cut off date can be sent directly to your home by Tempest at an extra cost of £5 per package.

ORDERS VIA SCHOOL—If you place your order with the Order Form sent home this should be returned to us with full payment. Payments should be placed in the envelope, with the order form and sealed (correct cash or cheque, payable to 'Tempest Photography').

We have been able to extend the deadline for these to be handed to the office to Tuesday, 3rd November.



Star of the Week

Foundation Stage and Key Stage One



Mrs Youll's – I have two stars of the week:

Heidi for good listening and trying hard in all your activities.

Isabelle for good listening and doing some super tidying.

Miss Cawthorne's nomination – I have two stars of the week:

Alice for working hard and being a good friend.

Henry for fantastic listening and working always working hard.



Miss Boundy's nominations - I have two stars of the week:

Isla is such a wonderful little girl and is so kind to her friends. She has also worked really hard in phonics this week. Well done Isla!

Chloe-Grace always tries her best at everything she does and shows lots of enthusiasm in her phonics. Well done Chloe-Grace.

Mr Quilter's nomination

Harry is a trooper; he always tries hard even when things are difficult! He had produced some lovely written work and his math work has been accurate! Great job Harry keep up the amazing can do attitude! Mr Q



Mrs Oldfield's nomination

This week Freddie has been on fire, in the past Freddie has been a bit of a snail when it comes to getting started with his work, but not this week. He has really knuckled down and produced some fantastic noun phrases to go with his lost toy poster. Well done Freddie keep up the speedy work. Mrs O

Mrs Grimwood's/Mrs Huggins' nomination

Lexie has been working really hard at her reading and I can see the difference this has made. She is so cheerful about everything and always tries her best. She even carries on smiling when she gets wet through and caught up in the brambles at forest school! Well done Lexie you are our shining star.



Star of the Week

Key Stage Two

Miss Gulliford's nomination

Ashton is an absolute superstar in learning, charisma and fun. He adds sparkle to the class, intelligent questioning within his learning and is a real role model. He is mature and loves to share jokes and raise smiles. His attitude to his learning is second to none by aiming high; always and never being deterred by harder questioning or finding the definitive answer. Every class needs an Ashton, he is a true deserver of star of the week!



Mrs Johnson's nomination

I have chosen Corey as my star of the week because of his amazing commitment and attitude to his learning. He has been working so hard and has such pride in the work he produces; both the quality and presentation are amazing. He faces any learning challenge with determination and a will to succeed! His hard-working yet fun-loving nature makes him such an amazing part of our class team. Well done Corey!



Mr Whapham's nomination

Will has worked really hard this week in maths. He has used his morning work tasks to practice and master the skills we have learnt this week. He has also worked hard to make the start of his Norse myth really interesting and has used his word banks to support his writing. Well done Will!



Mrs Lavictoire's nomination

Corbin, you should be so proud of how creative you are with your writing and how much progress you're making. You are using all of your reading knowledge to create such an atmosphere. You are focussing so well in class and I've noticed some fantastic presentation from you, over the past week. Congratulations and keep being a star!



Mrs Harding's nominations

Zach for working hard in class, completing his homework every week and being a great class member.

Mrs Harding, Mrs Knight and Miss Passmore are very proud of him.



Mrs Rana's/Mr Boulton's nomination

James has focused really well this week, and he has moved up three reading levels! James has also impressed me with how helpful he is. He always offers to help with jobs in the classroom and I often see him kindly offering to help his friends. Well done, James!



Miss Squire's nomination

Ella—I am amazed by how much her confidence in learning has grown already this year! She gives everything 100% and constantly has her hand up. Ella is helpful to others and is a wonderful member of our class. Well done!



Year 3 and 4—Proud Cloud (High Flyer Readers)



We are proud to share the children's success for consistently reading 25 times a week at home. The following children have reached their first step on the Proud Cloud. When children reach 50 they will receive their first certificate. Well done to:

Miss Gulliford class Lara Kaleb Leo Mahi

Mrs Johnson's class Joseph

Years 5 and 6—Tri-Reading Tournament

The children in Years 5 and 6 are taking part in a Tri-Reading Tournament.

Congratulations to the following children who have completed 25 to 50 nights of reading at home:



Mrs Lavictoire's class Libby Phineus Coral Anisa Corbin
Chloe-Rose (100 half hours of reading)

Miss Squire's class Ewan Laila Olivia J

Mrs Rana's/Mr Boul't's class Talia Naima

Year 6—Secondary School Applications—September 2021

The closing date for Secondary School Applications is 31st October.

If your child is in Year 6 and you have not yet applied for a place, to avoid disappointment, please follow the link below to apply by 31st October.

The easiest to apply is online by visiting www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline. If families don't wish to or can't apply online, they can contact our customer service centre on 0345 155 1019."

Notices for year 3 and 4

PE kit after half term

After half term, please can children come to school wearing their PE kits on Monday and Tuesday. Can you ensure they have a school jumper, waterproof coat and SUITABLE clothing for outdoor P.E. They might like to bring in a spare pair of socks and perhaps a change of footwear, in case they get wet feet.

Homework

It has been lovely seeing the homework the children have been completing this half term.

Due to Covid restrictions and potential cross contamination from home to school please could we ask that children take photos of any homework/models etc they complete and upload these onto Teams or email them to us. Please do not bring these into school. Thank you for your assistance.

Mr Ovey's PE Champions

This week Mr Ovey has selected his PE Champions from Key Stages 1 and 2.

Years 1 and 2

Mila H- For being an excellent stealer in our treasure island pirate game.

Years 3 and 4

Theo C- For excellent tricks to evade defenders.

Years 5 and 6

Naima -For being a real treat to have in PE and working hard in her gymnastics and yoga.

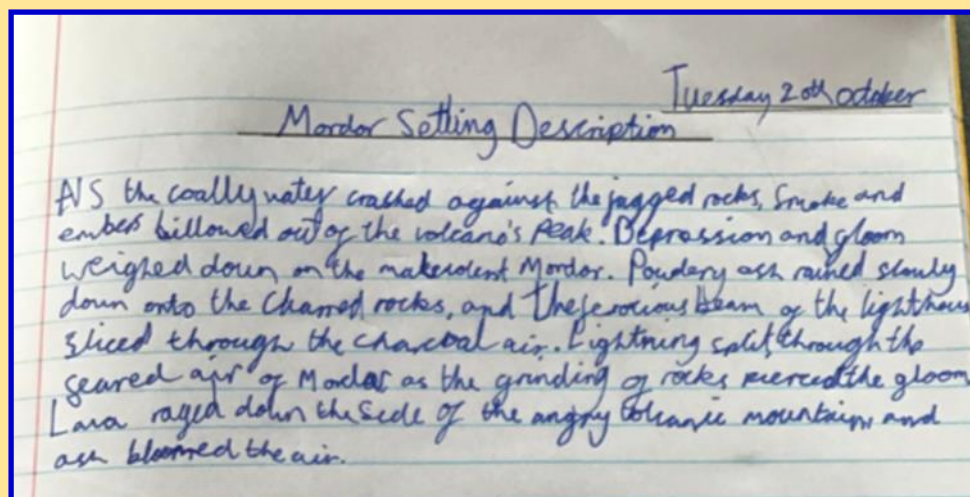




The Year 3 children demonstrated some fantastic skills during the Multi Skills Festival on Tuesday.

The weather was kind to us and the children had a brilliant time.

Thank you Chris Farr, Barnstaple Schools' Sports Co-ordinator.



For you this week, we have a spooky, first draft of writing from Mrs Lavictoire's star of the week, Corbin. The children have drafted an eerie description of Mordor, from Lord of the Rings. Make sure you're comfortable before you begin...

Menu—w/c 2nd November

Monday

Main

Macaroni cheese, focaccia bread and sweetcorn

Vegetarian

Vegetarian Hotdog with crispy round potatoes and sweetcorn

Jacket potato

Cheese / beans / tuna

School packed lunch option

Sausage Roll, desert, fruit and crisps

Dessert

Fresh Fruit

Tuesday

Main

Sausage, mash and gravy with peas

Vegetarian

Butternut squash, spinach/courgette casserole with potato mash/peas

Jacket potato

Cheese / beans / tuna

School packed lunch option

Cheese Sandwich, desert, fruit and crisps

Dessert

Carrot cake

Wednesday

Main

Roast chicken, gravy potatoes and fresh vegetables

Vegetarian

Vegetarian sausage roll with potatoes and fresh vegetables

Jacket potato

Cheese / beans / tuna

School packed lunch option

Ham Sandwich, desert, fruit and crisps

Dessert

Various ice-creams

Thursday

Main

Beef bolognaise, Pasta with sweetcorn

Vegetarian

Focaccia bread pizza with pasta and sweetcorn

Jacket potato

Cheese / beans / tuna

School packed lunch option

Cheese and onion pasty, desert, fruit and crisps

Dessert

Apple flapjack

Friday

Main

Fish fingers, chips and veggie sticks

Vegetarian

Quorn nuggets, fries and vegetable sticks

Jacket potato

Cheese / beans / tuna

School packed lunch option

Ham sandwich, desert, fruit and crisps

Dessert

Choc cracknel



Each year the Royal British Legion provide us with poppies and merchandise to raise money for the Poppy Appeal.

Children will be able to bring in money to cover the cost of any of the merchandise or a donation towards a poppy.

We will give them an opportunity during morning registration to make their selection and give their donation.

All monies raised are donated to the Poppy Appeal.



Coronavirus (COVID-19)
Devon County Council

COVID19 School Absence

There's always a rise in the number of bugs and illness at the start of term, and this year for obvious reasons, there has been a heightened awareness of when our children feel unwell, though in most cases this will not be coronavirus (COVID-19).

However, coronavirus has not gone away so you can't rule it out, especially as children and young people experience much milder symptoms of the virus than adults.

We've created some useful resources to help you identify the symptoms of coronavirus compared to a cold or seasonal flu and what action you need to take if your child or anyone in your household develops symptoms of coronavirus. [You can find them on our website.](#)

It's extremely important that [anyone with coronavirus symptoms stays at home and gets tested](#) to avoid the risk of spreading the virus to others, including the more vulnerable in our communities.

That means if your child, or anyone in your household, has any of the symptoms of coronavirus, no matter how mild, you must keep your child off school and self-isolate your whole household while the person with symptoms gets tested and waits for the results. Just the person with symptoms needs to get tested. If you don't have symptoms, you don't need to get tested unless you are asked to by a health professional, but you **do need to self-isolate until**



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