

Dear Parents/Carers

26th April 2019

Welcome back we hope you all had a wonderful Easter break!

Our topic this term will be Vikings! We have lots of brilliant and engaging lessons planned included a wonderful interactive Viking experience with a visit by Ulf Trygvesson, who will provide the children with an exciting, interactive insight into Viking Life and times, culminating in re-enacting a Viking battle.

The children will be bringing home a Viking Knowledge Organiser for them to use to support their home learning projects - the children will be randomly quizzed to see how many facts they can retain.

Finally, a big well done to Grace who raised a brilliant £118.61 for Cancer Research and the Hospice from her bike ride - Barnstaple to Fremington and back - a brilliant effort for worthy charities.

Spaghetti Challenge

The children had an amazing and messy afternoon today building their spaghetti and marshmallow towers strong enough to hold 1 or more eggs. The strongest and tallest will be entered into the Spaghetti Challenge to see if we can win a cash prize for the school.

Homework

The children have a Homework Task Sheet for them to select which pieces they would like to complete over the summer term. The children have their weekly spelling sheets to practice ready for their Friday test.

We will be testing the children on their times tables in line with new assessing guidelines. Our Friday times tables tests will now be timed, giving the children 3 minutes to complete the test.

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

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

Paignton Zoo Residential - Parent/Child Briefing Meeting

Final payments for the Paignton Zoo residential are due on Wednesday, 1st May. We have arranged a Parent/Child Briefing for Tuesday, 14th May at 3.30pm in Miss Gulliford's class. This will allow us to explain what the children can expect during the residential and for you to ask any relevant questions.

Lost Property

If your 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.

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.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week Two' (see our website for full details)

Diary Dates (don't forget to check the school website, www.ovschool.co.uk 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.

Miss Gulliford Mrs Johnson Mrs Benn Mr Whapham



5th 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:

Nursery/Reception,
KS1
KS2

Winners will be revealed on 31st 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!

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9:30am to 12:30pm

Barnstaple Youth House
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We also invite visitors, including support organisations to our meetings to share advice and information

If you are interested in attending or would like further information
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