

Orchard Vale's Weekly News

13th March 2020

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Covid19 Virus

We understand that everyone has their concerns about the Covid19 virus.

Please be assured that as a school we are doing everything we have been asked to do by the Government agency, Public Health England. We receive daily updates and advice and will pass on any important information as and when instructed to do so by them.

If you have any concerns the Government Guidance is updated regularly and can be found on.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Mr Quilter's and Mrs Grimwood's Year 2's visit to Barnstaple

The Year 2 children had a great time on Tuesday learning more about our historical town. Everyone walked brilliantly into town and we were very lucky with the weather.

Thanks to the Heritage and Cultural Department of Barnstaple Town Council our Bertie the Beagle trail helped us find out some important information about twin towns. During our tour of the Guildhall we saw Barnstaple's treasures in the Dodderidge room.

Our guided tour of Barnstaple was a little windy and took us around Castle Mound, the Bridge, the Old School House and our four faced Liar (perhaps the children can explain what this is).

We learned so much about the historic town we live in.
It was great!

We finished the day off with a visit to a slightly damp Rock Park.

Thank you to the Friends of Orchard Vale for helping to cover the cost of this trip.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who has attended the book fair so far. If you haven't already, please do come along. There is a good selection of titles available on the shelves and lots of bargains.



Well done to everyone who took part in the World Book Day Book Quiz. All correct entries were placed in a hat and the following children were drawn out.

Well done to Elsie, Mya, Nevaeh, Chloe-Rose and Sophia.
They have each received a £5 voucher to spend at the fair.

The fair will be in the school hall on
Friday, 13th, Monday, 16th and Tuesday, 17th March at 8.30am to 8.45am and 3.15pm to 3.45pm.

The more books we sell the more commission we will receive to buy books for our book corners and library.

Thank you all for your support.

We will let you know how much we raise towards books next week.



Nursery—This week

Our focus this week has been daffodils and Spring. We have enjoyed using play-dough and paint to make daffodils. We have continued to talk about the story 'We're going on a Bear Hunt,' and have been describing characters, settings and events. In maths, we have been counting flowers and matching them to the correct numerals.

We have been learning about the letter 'm' and practising how to form it correctly. Next week we will be learning about the letter 'e'. If your child would like to bring in something beginning with that letter we can show it during our learning time.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Youll

Reception classes / Miss Cawthorne's Year 1—This week

We have had a fantastic week looking at Dragon Stew. The children have been busy writing their own recipes for stew with some very interesting ingredients! They have also had lots of fun building their own Viking boat outside and painting pictures of different boats. In maths, the children have continued to look at addition and mastering using the part whole method.

This week we have been looking at these sounds **er ure ture**.

Please let your class teacher know when your child knows all of their words on their word chart.

For homework you could design or make your own dragon mask.

Year 1- In maths, we have been busy mastering part whole method for addition. We wrote about what we would put in our own dragon stew. The children have been getting to grips with new sounds in phonics.

For homework you could write some words which include **oy, ay, ea** sounds.

Next week our book is Zog.

Have a great weekend.

Miss Cawthorne and Miss Boundy

Years 1 and 2—This week

In English, we have been writing about our trip to historic Barnstaple. In maths, Year 2's have continued fractions and are now showing increasing understanding of half and quarter. They have also been collecting data and putting this into charts. Year 1's have been measuring/weighing and comparing weights of objects. In art, we explored backgrounds using a variety of media and are continuing to look at the Easter Story in RE.

Our DT project, designing and building our own Pudding Lanes, is almost finished and we are looking forward to setting fire to them soon in our re-enactment of the Fire of London.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Quilter Mrs Grimwood Mrs Huggins Mrs Oldfield

Years 3 and 4— This week

We have enjoyed finding out about the first Emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang, and his ideas of building the Great Wall of China. We are starting to explore the history of the Terracotta Warriors, how they were found, their excavation, preservation and have designed our own. We are looking forward to making our own terracotta warrior's next week with air drying clay.

Homework— complete some good reading, practises your times tables and spellings ready for our test next week.

Heatree Residential—Parent/child briefing Tuesday, 24th March —3.30pm—Miss Gulliford's class.

Have a good weekend.

Miss Gulliford Mrs Johnson Mr Whapham

Years 5 and 6—This week

The children have completed some great work on setting descriptions following our woodland walk last week. They have produced some ambitious visual imagery.

Nethercott residential—March's instalment is now due.

Homework and updates can be found on Seesaw. If you need help with logging in please talk to your class teacher.

Have good weekend.

Miss Squire Mrs Rana Mr Lewis Mrs Lowrey



The children in years 3 and 4 are being encouraged to read every day. Once they have read for 25 consecutive days they gain a place on the Proud Cloud in class. Well done to this week to:

Miss Gulliford's class Ray Roberts , Ethan Parfitt, Shaila Bishop

Dates and Events

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

Mon, 16th Mar—Scholastics Book Fair—8.30am to 9am / 3.15pm to 3.45pm—school hall

Tue, 17th Mar—Scholastics Book Fair—8.30am to 9am / 3.15pm to 3.45pm—school hall

Tue, 17th Mar—Years 5 and 6—Visit to Barnstaple Guildhall/tour of Barnstaple/Museum.

Wed, 18th Mar—Key Stage 1 Parents—booked places for lunch.

Thur, 19th Mar—Year 6 Rising Stars Basketball (selected team)

Fri, 20th Mar—Group 1 and 3—Years 3 and 4 Bikeability session

Fri, 20th Mar—Mayor's Charity Concert—OV Choir attending 6.30pm to 7.45pm.

Sat, 21st Mar—Exmoor Challenge training—8.30am to 5.30pm

Mon, 23rd Mar—Group 1—Years 5 and 6 Bikeability sessions

Tues, 24th Mar—Group 1—Years 5 and 6 Bikeability sessions

Tues, 24th Mar—Years 5 and 6—Girls Football Festival—Park School—9.30am to 1pm

Tue, 24th Mar— Years 3 and 4—Heatree Residential Parent/Child briefing meeting—3.30pm—Miss Gulliford's class

Wed, 25th Mar—Group 2—Years 5 and 6 Bikeability session

Thurs, 26th Mar—Group 2—Years 5 and 6 Bikeability session

Thurs, 26th Mar—Year 5 and 6—Boys Football Festival—Park School—9.30am to 3pm

Thurs, 26th Mar—Orchard Vale Easter Bake Off Competition.

Fri, 27th Mar—Group 2 and 4—Years 3 and 4 Bikeability sessions

Fri, 27th Mar—Year 6—Exmoor Challenge Training

Lunch menu week commencing 16th March 2020

Please see the website for our Autumn 2019/Spring 2020 menu)

School dinners are now £2.30.

Menu available: 11th Nov, 2nd Dec, 6th Jan, 27th Jan, 24th Feb, 16th Mar	Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Mains	Macaroni cheese	Brunch grill. Sausage and bacon	Roast turkey with stuffing and gravy	Cottage pie	Chicken nuggets
	Vegetarian	Quorn hot dogs	Brunch grill. Quorn sausage	Cauliflower and broccoli cheese	Pizza	Quorn dippers
	Served with	Potato squares and sweetcorn	Hash browns, scrambled egg, beans	Roast/mash and chef's veg	Wedges and peas	Tomato ketchup, fries and veggie sticks
	Dessert	Raspberry cake	Chocolate cookies	Fresh fruit	Apple flapjack	Custard biscuits



Friends of Orchard Vale

Easter Bingo

Friday, 27th March



Doors open 6.30pm, eyes down 7pm

Bingo books are £5 for 6 games or can be bought individually for £1 per game.

You can buy half a book for £2.50.

Lot of lovely cream eggs - 1st line prize Beautiful Easter Hamper - Full house on each game

Adult Flyer

£35 cash for lucky house winner

£15 cash for the first line.

Children's Flyer

Prize to be confirmed

Tickets for these are £1 each

We will have a raffle and be selling refreshments on the night.

This is a lovely evening for all the family, please come along and support the volunteers of the Friends of Orchard Vale and help us raise much needed funds for the school.



Friends of Orchard Vale

Annual General Meeting

Friday, 20th March

3.30pm

Reception Classes



After three years of being Chair I have taken the decision to step down.

I have had an amazing time in this role and had the pleasure to work with some fantastically dedicated parents and staff members, raising a huge amount of money for our school and children. It is now time for someone else to have a go and take the helm.

We will be holding an Annual General Meeting on Friday, 20th March, 3.30pm in Reception Classes. All roles held within the ptfa will be up for re-election. We would need as many of you as possible to attend to vote on who you would like in the team to run the show going forward.

If you would like to put yourself forward for a position or would like to know more please get in touch.

Claire Knight, Chair



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You are invited to Orchard Vale's

Book Fair

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

Thursday, 12th March - Friday, 13th March
Monday, 16th March - Tuesday, 17th 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

To make a phone payment—Call 0333 305 2963

Please have your school's Customer ID number ready together with a pen to record your transaction code. You will be asked for your card number, expiry date, the three digit security number on the back of your card and amount you wish to pay.

Name: School Customer I.D. no. 20806035
Fair ID: 1091980

Transaction code: Amount: £

Please give the completed form back to your Book Fair Organiser and take your order.
This call will be charged at your standard mobile rate.

Dear Parents or Guardian,

27th February 2020

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

We would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase a memento for your child as a reminder of their time at Orchard Vale.

Navy leavers hoodies with all the names of the YR6 leavers in the number 20 on the back - sizes available will be 9-11, 12-13 for £15.00 or small adult size for £18.00

Please complete the slip below and return it with your choice and payment in cash by the 20th March 2020 to order. This will be the final deadline for ordering.

Many thanks,

Orchard Vale Community School

Name of child:

Number of hoodies required: Size:

Total of your order £..... Paid in cash to school office.

Parent/Guardian signature

OV'S BAKE OFF

Thursday 26th March

Have you got the skills to enter our Easter Bake Off?

Categories: Nursery, Reception and Year 1 through to Year 6.

Prizes for each of the following 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Bring your cakes to the hall on the morning of Thursday 26th.

We will be selling the cakes after school in the hall between 3.10—3.30pm. Please bear in mind when baking your cakes that we are a NUT FREE School.

READY STEADY BAKE!



Events at Barnstaple Library over the Easter break.

April Events in the FabLab, book via fablabdevon.org:

Wednesday 1st

Laser cut Perspex Stencils 11am-12pm £7.50 6-16yrs

Thursday 2nd

Springtime Vinyl Stickers 2pm-3pm £7.50 6-16yrs

Tuesday 7th

2D Drawing Laser cut Coaster 11am-12:30pm £10 12-16yrs

Wednesday 8th

3D Printed Rabbits 11am -12pm £7.50 6-16yrs

Litcraft sessions every Thursday Afternoon (Focusing on Treasure Island):

4pm-6pm Suitable for ages 7-16. £20 for all 5 sessions or £5 per session. Find out more and book via fablabdevon.org

2nd 1 hour of Litcraft 1 hour of Story Stones

9th 1 hour of Litcraft 1 hour of 3D Block Building

16th 1 hour of Litcraft 1 hour of Treasure hunt and Pirate Flags

23rd 1 hour of Litcraft 1 hour of 3D Printed Minecraft Animals

30th 1 Hour of Litcraft 1 hour of 2D Vinyl Pirate Clothes

Wednesday 1st April 2-3pm and every Wednesday - Wednesday Wanderers- Are you aged 55 and over? Want to enjoy the outdoors more? Want to be a bit more active? Join us for a friendly walk exploring the walking routes around Barnstaple and over the weeks maybe make some new friends too. Programme funded by Connecting Actively to Nature-Active Devon. Suggested donation of £2 per session to help cover costs. Book your place via barnstaple.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk or on 01271 318780 or in person at the library.

Thursday 2nd April 10-12pm - Easter Crafts - no need to book, just drop-in. Suitable for all ages. Under 8s to be accompanied. Donations welcomed for this free event.

Thursday 2nd April 2pm - James D Mortain Author event £3 including refreshments. Book and pay at the library.

Tuesday 7th April 3-4pm - Weekly Mindfulness sessions Bring some clarity and focus to your life by practising Mindfulness at these friendly weekly sessions. £4 per session. Please book and pay at the library.

Wednesday 8th April 10-12 - Easter Crafts - no need to book, just drop-in. Suitable for all ages. Under 8s to be accompanied. Donations welcomed for this free event.

Thursday 9th April 10.45-11.45 - Hen Welfare Trust: Amazing Eggs workshop suitable for children 5 and above. Free event, book at the library. Donations welcomed.

Thursday 9th April 10.45-11.45 - Hen Welfare Trust: Claws, Wings and Other Things suitable for children 5 and above. Free event, book at the library. Donations welcomed.

Wednesday 15th April 7.00-8.30pm - John's Delicatessen of Instow and Appledore: Its History and Role in Food culture. An illustrated talk by Mr Anthony Johns. Supported by Barnstaple Library Friends group. Tickets £8 to include a light buffet and refreshments with John's local produce. Raffle on the night.

Friday 17th April 9.30-5.30pm - TEDx Exeter streaming live at Barnstaple Library. Please enquire at the library to book your place and register your interest. Ticket cost TBC.

b 7-8.30pm - Virginia Baily- Author event at Barnstaple Library

Tickets £5 to include a glass of wine or a soft drink. Please book your place at the library. Payment required at time of booking. Books supported by Waterstones available to buy on the night. Please bring cash. Raffle on the night to win a signed copy of one of Virginia's Books.

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A good night's sleep can make all the difference and is important for health, wellbeing, work and family life.
Learn all about sleep and proven techniques to help you sleep better.

FREE NHS SLEEP WORKSHOP

**Wednesday 1st of April 2020
5pm - 8pm, Bideford**

To book a place please call or email us and provide a few details to register with the service

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Awareness of Mental Health Problems **FREE***

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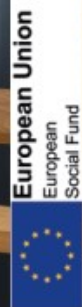
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NETBALL CAMP

FOR NETBALLERS IN SCHOOL YEAR 1, 2, 3 OR 4

WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL

PARK SCHOOL, BARNSTAPLE, IN THE SPORTS HALL
10AM TO 4PM OPEN TO NON MEMBERS

A DAY OF FRIENDSHIP, INCLUSION, FAIR PLAY & PLAYING TOGETHER

Price will be £30 (sibling discount available of £5 per child).

A £10 deposit is required to secure your booking.

If you would like more info or have any questions, please speak to Lorraine Beel:
info@titansnetballclub.co.uk
or phone 07859 210439

Titans Netball will be launching BEE NETBALL at our JUNIOR NETBALL CAMP, in line with England Netball's Bee Netball programme.

Run by qualified Coaches specialising in the Bee Netball framework.

Simple way to enable children to play the game, whilst learning & developing a whole heap of other important skills.



GIVE IT
A TRY!



BOYS WELCOME



JUNIOR NETBALL CAMPS

TUESDAY 31ST MARCH
U14 PATHWAY CAMP
(FOR NETBALLERS IN YEAR 8 & 9)

THURSDAY 2ND APRIL
U12 NETBALL CAMP
(FOR NETBALLERS IN YEAR 5, 6 OR 7)

Titans Netball Junior Camp gives our junior players the chance to get together with their friends & take to the court in the Easter Holidays.

These camps will have plenty of fun, skills, netball challenges & match play.

PARK SCHOOL, BARNSTAPLE
IN THE SPORTS HALL, FROM 10AM TO 4PM

Price will be £30 (sibling discount available of £5 per child)

If you would like more info, or have any questions, please email
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Early

HOLIDAY CLUB

'GOD'S RESCUE PLAN'
WEDNESDAY 1st - FRIDAY 3rd
APRIL 10am-1pm

SCHOOL YEARS R-6

Special Family Lunch Friday 3rd April 1pm

Doors open 9.45am | See overleaf for booking details



GROSVENOR CHURCH BARNSTAPLE



HOLIDAY CLUB 2020

'GOD'S RESCUE PLAN'

Each day will include Bible talks, team games, bouncy castle, face painting, crafts, sports... and so much more!

There are only 150 places available, so please act now!

Cost per child is £5 per day or £12 for 3 days.

We will celebrate the end of the Holiday Club with a special family lunch on Friday 3rd April at 1pm. This will include hot dogs, burgers and ice cream, for only £2 per head.

Please note: children staying for lunch must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

How to secure your place

Please complete the attached registration form with details of your child/children attending and include the relevant payment.

You can post or hand it to the church office or email to:

susie.guyler@grosvenorchurch.org.uk

Your details will be registered when we receive the form in the church office including the payment. Payment needs to be clearly marked HOLIDAY CLUB and can be made by BACS, cash or cheque (made payable to Grosvenor Church).



If you have any questions

please phone Paula or Susie in the church office 01271 323725

Grosvenor Church Old Station Road Barnstaple EX32 8PB



Thursday 9 April

2.00pm

£10 Full

£8.00 supporter

**Families: Special
Offer—Buy 3 get one
free (£6 per ticket)**

Family Theatre

Slot Machine Theatre Present 'Your Toys'

A Family show for 5-9yr olds and their grown ups.

Duration - 60 mins + meet the toys!

What have Buzz Lightyear, Barbie, the blue Brontosaurus and any other toy got in common?

Answer: They can all go on a massive adventure together in 'Your Toys'! That's right - bring your toy to The Plough, and we'll turn it into a character in our show! (You'll get it back afterwards, honestly)

The exceptional Slot Machine Theatre share their puppetry skills in this heart-warming story about friends pulling together that is funny, full of music and surprises - an anthem to creative play and silliness. (Adults and children alike are invited to bring a toy and watch it join in the rumpus.)

'Once in every childhood there should be a show that you remember for the rest of your life. This will be my children's' Parent at Warwick Arts Centre, 2018

Ideal for those who are hard of hearing or do not have English as a first language - very little dialogue.

To buy your tickets, phone the Box Office on [01805 624624](tel:01805624624)

or [book online](http://www.theploughartcentre.org.uk) at www.theploughartcentre.org.uk