

Orchard Vale's Weekly News

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Orchard Vale's 20th Anniversary

20th Anniversary Celebrations



We have had a wonderful day enjoying lots of fun activities themed around the Mad Hatter and Alice in Wonderland in celebration of our 20th Anniversary.

The Mayor and our other special guests enjoyed a Mad Hatter's Picnic alongside the children and everyone looked fantastic in their costumes. The school choir entertained everyone during the picnic. Everyone agreed the day was a huge success.



Well done to the winners of the Mad Hat Competition:

Nursery—Isla; Reception—Edith, Theo, Ellie, Francis KS1—Alexa-Jade, Mia, Alexa
Years 3&4—Jorja, Ray, Kelsey Years 5&6—Riley, Kiara, Ben

Our refurbished pupil food technology room was officially opened and named 'Kev's Kitchen' in recognition of Kevin Carlyle's generous donation of his time and materials over the summer holidays to create an inspirational facility for our children to use.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to Russell Braund, who fitted the electrics for us.

Portmill Court Community allotment working party



A group of Year 3 and 4 children visited the Portmill Court residents at their allotment in Fairview on Monday.

They worked extremely hard helping to harvest vegetables which grew from the seeds they had sewn in the spring and tended in the summer. They all took home some red and white onions, runner beans and tomatoes.

Important request to parents



Please could we ask that parents/guardians do not bring dogs or puppies (including those being carried by their owner) into the school grounds/classrooms.

We have several children who are afraid or allergic to dogs.

If you have to bring your dog up to school please could we ask you to tie them up securely to the fence opposite the playground and not on the playground fence itself.

Thank you for your help with this.

Cauliflower Christmas Card Project

Following last years success with the Xmas Card Project we are taking part in this again. The children have been working hard on their Xmas designs in class.

During the next few days your child will be given a pupil order form explaining what products you can purchase. If you would like to place an order in time for Christmas please complete the form and return it to the school by **Thursday, 3rd October** with your payment.

We are only able to accept cash for this project.



Nursery this week:

This week we have been learning about ourselves and doing handprints and fingerprints for our Christmas card design. In maths, we have continued our learning about 2D shapes and have been using them to make people. We have also been learning about our second Golden Rule 'Be Gentle,' and talking about how we are all good at doing different things. Stories we have been reading are 'Spike,' 'Be gentle,' 'Alice in wonderland' and various rabbit stories.

Next Monday we will start Forest School so please ensure your child has a waterproof coat and wellington boots.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Youll

Reception/Miss Cawthorne— Miss Cawthorne's Year 1's week:

We have had a great week looking at the story 'The Otter Who Loved to Hold Hands'. The children have been busy painting pictures of otters, acting out the story using puppets and learning facts about otters. We have also been busy making decorations for the Mad Hatter's picnic.

In Phonics we have looked at **i n m d** Please practice these at home with your child. We have been really impressed with the reading that has been going on at home, this really makes a difference to your child's progress. This week we would like all children to have a go at learning their teddy words (at back of your home school link book)

Year 1- Have been writing our own weekend news and the children have done some lovely writing on facts about otters. In Maths, we have been exploring numbers to 100. At home you could see which numbers you can spot when you are out and about, which is the biggest number you can find and record in your home school link books?

Tapestry—you will receive your activation email in the next week or so which you need to open on a laptop/computer in order to set up your login. Miss Cawthorne and Miss Boundy

Key Stage One's week:

This week we have worked incredibly hard with our English and have enjoyed looking at 'Augustus and his Smile' and have learned some of the text with actions; see if they can show you! We have been writing about Augustus the Tiger using lots of exciting adjectives! The children have been so inspired by our English we have extended our learning and begun to research and find interesting facts about tigers.

We have also begun to look at different settings such as rainforests, deserts and learned the names of the 4 layers of the rainforest.

In maths, we have continued to explore place value, counting and representing numbers to 100, number recognition and number formation. The children have worked hard and shown great understanding.

We have begun our new RE curriculum and talked about forgiveness.

Mr Quilter Mrs Huggins Mrs Grimwood Mrs Oldfield

Years 3 and 4's week:

The children will bring home some reading comprehension today to complete over the weekend.

We have enjoyed delving into the features of a castle and discussing the different types of castles and structures. We are beginning to understand what life really entails for those living inside Castles.

In writing, we have been comparing a range of traditional tales to link similarities and differences.

Cross Country—Park School—Friday, 27th September

As part of our PE Curriculum, **ALL** the children will be walking to Park School to take part in the Years 3&4 cross country festival.

Watermouth Castle trip—Tuesday, 8th October— We are looking forward to our trip to Watermouth Castle. If you have not done so already please return your permission/payments as soon as possible.

Miss Gulliford Mrs Johnson Mr Whapham

Years 5 and 6 week:

In English, some of us have enjoyed taking part in an in-depth study of the book 'Holes' by Louis Sachar and some have enjoyed creating freeze frames for Romeo and Juliet.

In maths, we have been working hard on place values.

In between our hard work in class, some of us have started practicing for the Shakespeare Schools Festival we will be taking part in during October/November. We have some budding actors in our midst. Our choir have also been busy practising songs which they performed during our Mad Hatter's Picnic.

Mrs Lavioire Miss Squire Mr Lewis

Friends of Orchard Vale News



The Friends of Orchard Vale (FoOV) have some fun events planned this term to raise funds to help subsidise trips and events across the school as well as equipment for the classes and bigger projects.



Tuck Shop—Tuesday, 1st October

Children from Reception to Year 6 can bring up to 50p to spend on a treat during morning break.

Proposed future events:

Sat, 12th Oct— Photo Shoot
 Tue, 5th Nov—Tuck Shop
 Tues, 5th Nov—Bonfire Night (supporting the School Council)
 Fri, 29th Nov—Harry Potter Quiz Night
 Tues, 3rd Dec—Tuck Shop
 Thurs, 12th Dec—Christmas Discos

Dates and Events

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

The secondary schools will be sending information out to Year 6 parents shortly about their Open Events

Park School—open to years 5 and 6

Mon, 23rd Sept—Y5/6—9.05am—11.20am Tue, 24th Sept—Y5/6—9.05am—11.20am
 Wed, 25th Sept—Y5/6—9.05am—11.20am Thurs, 26th Sept—Y5/6—9.05am—11.20am

Pilton Community College

Mon, 23rd Sept—Y6— 6.30pm—Open Evening Wed, 25th Sept - Y6—9.05am—Open Morning
 Thurs, 26th Sept—Y6—9.05am—Open Morning Fri, 27th Sept—Y6—9.05am—Open Morning

Years 5 and 6—Wild Nights Out (those that have booked a place)

Wed, 25th to Thurs, 26th September—Group 1 Thurs, 26th to Fri, 27th September—Group 2

Fri, 27th Sep—Years 3 and 4—Cross Country Event at Park School. ALL years 3&4 will be taking part.

Wed, 2nd Oct—Shakespeare Schools Festival—Exeter Phoenix Theatre.

Fri, 4th Oct—Sports Themed Non-Uniform Day—bring in 50p donations towards Tommy's Charity.

Tue, 8th Oct—Years 3 and 4—Watermouth Castle (letter sent home with children)

Wed, 9th Oct—Flu Immunisation—Reception to Year 6

Virgin Care (NHS) will be visiting Orchard Vale to provide the nasal flu vaccination. Parents have been sent information about how to log onto the secure consent portal.

Thurs, 10th Oct—School Council—World Mental Health Day—after school cake sale

Lunch menu week commencing 23rd September 2019

NOTICE TO PARENTS

School dinners are now £2.30.

NB. Meatballs on Monday are Pork and not turkey.

Menu available: 22nd Apr, 13th May, 10th June, 1st & 22nd July, 2nd & 23rd Sept, 14th Oct	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Mains	Turkey meatballs in tomato sauce	Breaded fish	Roast chicken, cranberry stuffing, gravy	Pizza baguettes	Hand made beef burger
	Vegetarian	Veggi bolognaise	Haloumi and roasted vegetables	Quorn sausages in tomato casserole	Roasted vegetable frittata	Quorn nuggets
	Served with	Pasta and sweetcorn	Potato wedges and peas	New potatoes and chef's fresh veg	Potato cubes and veggie sticks	Chips, coleslaw, tomato ketchup
	Dessert	Slices of fresh fruit	St Clement's sponge	Sticky toffee slice	Banana and blueberry muffins	Chocolate orange sponge

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Senior School and Sixth Form

OPEN DAYS



Thursday 3rd and
Friday 4th October

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and meet the new Head, teachers and pupils*

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