Dear Parents/Carers 8th March 2019

It was fantastic to see the children dressed as their favourite book character yesterday, everyone looked superb. We especially loved the unique homemade costumes - brilliant effort! Well done to Mitchell for being voted best costume in his class and to Mia T and Jenson who were voted overall winners across the school for their costumes and received a £5 voucher each to use at the book fair next week.

The children who visited the Ilfracombe Chocolate Emporium had an amazing time on Monday. We learned about the process of making chocolate, enjoyed lots of tasting and all come back with a chocolate gingerbread man which we had decorated ourselves. To get a taste of this activity you might like to visit the Gallery on our website. Our other classes are looking forward to their visits.

In class, we have looked at rhetorical questions in English and explored when to use them as well as enjoyed some fun World Book Day activities.

Homework

The children have a sheet on 2D shapes to complete, which we have been learning about in maths. They also have their weekly spellings to learn and should refresh their knowledge of timetables ready for the Friday tests.

School Nut Policy

Orchard Vale aims to protect the children/staff who have severe nut allergies. We request that parents/carers observe our nut free policy by not including nuts or products which contain nuts in school lunch boxes. (Please see full allergy information on the attached notice).

Book Fair - Thursday, 14th and Friday, 15th March - 8.30-9am and 3.15-4.45pm We would like to visit the Book Fair 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 us get free books for the school. Payment will be in cash or via phone payment. Children can use their World Book Day £1 vouchers to put towards the costs of a book at the fair.

Non-Uniform Day - Red Nose Day - Friday, 15th March

The School Council have organised a non-uniform day to celebrate Red Nose Day 2019. They will be selling Red Noses in classrooms from Monday, 11^{th} to Friday, 15^{th} March at £1.25 each.

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week Two".

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

Mon, 18th and Tue, 19th March - Book Fair Fri, 5th - Last day of school before Easter Mon, 8th to Mon 22nd April - Easter holidays. Tues, 23rd April - Back to school after Easter

Have a great weekend.

Miss Gulliford Mrs Johnson Mrs Benn Mr Whapham



Dear Parents/Carers and children

Comic Relief 2019 - Friday, 15th March

This year for Comic Relief the School Council will be selling Red Noses during morning registration from **Monday 11th - Friday 15th March**.

Red Noses will cost £1.25 and will be sold on first-come, first-served basis as normal. It would be extremely helpful if the children could have the correct change.

Friday 15th March - non-school uniform day

Children can come to school in their own clothes and bring in a donation, however big or small. We have plenty of **Red Nose Day sticker** to hand out for all donations received.

Each class will be putting aside some time for the children to share jokes with each other. Perhaps they could think of their favourites.

All monies will be donated to Comic Relief.

We are looking forward to having a fabulous and fun day on Friday, $15^{\rm th}$ March.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

School Council



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Items which should not be brought into school:

Packs of nuts, peanut butter/Nutella sandwiches,

Items which contain nuts - cereal bars, certain chocolate bars, sesame seed rolls, cakes.

Snacks for morning break for Key Stage 1

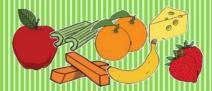
The Government provides a piece of fruit.

Snacks for morning break for Key Stage 2

And

Afternoon snacks for Key Stage 1 / Foundation

A piece of fruit, vegetables or cheese



THINGS NOT TO BE EATEN AT BREAK TIME

breakfast bars - yogurts - fruit winders - fruit in wrappers



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, 14th March - Friday, 15th March Monday, 18th March - Tuesday, 19th 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



Thank you for taking part!

Orchard Vale Community School. You have raised a great

£169.02

Thank you so much to everyone who donated!

North Devon Hospice Fundraising Team 01271 347232 email crichards@northdevonhospice.org.uk

www.pitchinapound.co.uk







New Youth Football Team

A new team has been formed in Barnstaple, Eastside Youth FC Under 8's. We are currently looking for new players to come and join the fun. If you are in Year 3 at present (2018/2019) and interested in football, then we would like to hear from you. We currently train on a Wednesday night.

Boys and Girls welcome, please contact Darran to find out more on 07557 675330.

BARNSTAPLE LIBRARY EVENTS

Saturday 9th March

Help us create Tech Tales in the FabLab at Barnstaple Library.

An introduction to electronics, specifically using Arduinos to sense and control mechanisms.

Arduinos are single-board micro controllers for building digital devices and interactive objects that can sense and control both physically and digitally.

Absolutely no previous experience is necessary in electronics or engineering to attend. Hopefully you will go away with the grounding ready to build your own gadgets!

You will also help towards building the Tech Tales installation currently under development. There will be a range of jobs. This piece will be on display in Barnstaple library from the end of March. There are very limited spaces so be quick to sign up!

Part of Evolve activity with Libraries Unlimited funded by Arts Council England.

Please note that ticket sales will end at 12pm the working day before the event.

Booking on https://techtalesbarnstaple.eventbrite.co.uk

Create Tech Tales at Barnstaple Library

An electronics workshop (techtalesbarnstaple.eventbrite.co.uk)

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Tuesday, 19th March

Our Friends of Barnstaple Library group are holding a quiz night **Tuesday 19th March**. £5 per person. Register your places at the library on 01271 318780 or in person. Have an evening of fun whilst helping support the library. Refreshments and raffle on the night.

Shakespeare Week celebrations Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st Drop in after school Shakespeare themed children's crafts 4-5.30 Suitable for 6+.

Saturday 23rd March

Join the Private Eye's award-winning cartoonist Tony Husband to discover and create your very own comic strip. Your contribution will feed into a new comic, made over both days, that will become available in our libraries for all to enjoy. Book on the link here. Tickets are booking up quickly for this one.

Create a Comic Book Workshop

 $\underline{https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/create-a-comic-book-workshop-with-tony-husband-of-private-eye-fame-tickets-55978892374}$

Create a Comic Book Workshop – with Tony Husband of 'Private Eye' fameA workshop for people aged 8-108 to discover and create a comic strip. Led by master cartoonist Tony Husband ('Private Eye', discover and create your very own comic strip. Your contribution will feed into a new comic, made over both days, that will become available in our libraries for all to enjoy.