

Dear Parents/Carers

21st September 2018

This week we have started our new literacy book 'What do you do with a tail like this? The children loved learning new facts about interesting animals, writing about the animals in the book and making their own sentences up. This is all good research in preparation for our trip to Paignton Zoo.

In numeracy, we have been looking at place value, exploring the terms more and less, working on our 2, 5 and 10 times table and using these to help us when adding numbers together. Next week we will be focussing on measuring. If you would like to get a head start, why not have a go at home measuring the length of different objects around your home. We will be measuring in centimetres and metres.

We had an awesome forest school this week; building fires, climbing trees, drinking hot chocolate, eating biscuits and learning through exploration and play in the wooded area.

Please continue to practice your key words at home and let your class teacher know when you are ready for testing by putting your child's name on the whiteboard provided in their class.

Paignton Zoo Trip - Thursday, 4th October

Thank you for the wonderful response so far to our trip to Paignton Zoo. If you have not done so already please return your slips and payments as soon as possible.

Christmas card designs

Don't forget, if you would like to place an order of your child's Christmas card design these must be handed in to Mrs Manley by Friday, 28th September with payment (only cash or Parentpay accepted). We anticipate orders being received by the beginning of December.

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

Thur, 11th October - Friends of Orchard Vale - School Disco (more details to come)

Thur, 18th October - School photos (more details to come)

Fri, 19th October - Non Pupil Day

Mon, 22nd to Fri, 26th October - Half Term

KS1 Team