



# The Orchard School

## Weekly Bulletin

Week commencing: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

### Dates for your diary

<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	9:30 – Year 6 Coffee Morning
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Welcome to your new class and Macmillan coffee morning
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	3:30 – 5:30 – Parents/Carers Evening
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	HALF TERM
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Children in Need
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	School photographs
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	School photographs
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas jumper and dinner day
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas activity morning
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Grotto
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Christmas Grotto
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>	Pupils return to school

### A Message from Liz

We have come to the end of week 3 and it has been another busy week. All the children have now settled into the routine of school and it has been lovely to spend more time getting to know the pupils. I have developed a new format for the weekly letter which will give key information and updates as well as reminders of upcoming events. I hope you will find it useful and user friendly.

### Wet Weather

As the weather is becoming a little wetter and windier could you please send in wellies and waterproofs for your child to wear when they go outside. We want to make the most of our outdoor learning spaces and keep your child dry if they want to play outside.



## Evidence for Learning

Can I remind all parents and carers of the protocol when using Evidence for Learning:

- Do not screenshot and publicly share the images, videos, and comments on social media
- If adding photos, videos or comments ensure these are appropriate and with no inappropriate language & don't include other children that you do not have consent to share for
- If you have a query/concern about any evidence; contact school to discuss straight away
- Understand that this is not to be used as a prime communication method; messages/comments on the app may not be looked at the same day/week. All communication should follow the correct routes; phone, home-school diary, e-mail.
- Understand that some children may have different types, quantities and methods of recording, e.g., some children may have more photos or some more videos. Each class and child would and should be different.



## Parent Pay Activation Letters

**ParentPay** activation letters for those of you who are still to activate your ParentPay account will be sent home today – please can you ensure that you activate the ParentPay account as this will be used for any dinner money, trips, milk orders and voluntary contributions.

Thank you to those who have already activated your accounts. Further help can be found on our school website under families /ParentPay.

