



Orchard Manor School News

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"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt."

Charles M Schulz

Hello everyone!

It's February half term already— these last weeks have whizzed by. Looking back we have had a great start to 2024 (including our surprise visit from Ofsted) and our students have all settled back into learning and playing without a hitch after our Christmas holidays— all we need now is some good weather and the sun to come out to really tell us that Spring is on the way.

We are still waiting for the report from Ofsted which we will forward as soon as we have it, but I can safely say that during the inspection I was extremely proud of my team and I know that their good work will be reflected in the outcome.

For those of you who are contemplating the next steps for your children, we have our Careers Event happening on the 27th of February from 4:15 to 5:30pm. It promises to be an informative time with a full hall of prospective provisions. Everyone is welcome from Year 8 upwards, so even if you are just dipping your toe in the waters but not quite ready to make a decision, why not come and have a chat, and see what is available. We would love to see you.

**ORCHARD MANOR SCHOOL
CAREERS EVENT 2024**
Tuesday 27 February 2024
For Years 8 and Above
Parents and Carers Very Welcome!
Main Hall - Upper Campus - 4:15pm to 5:30pm

Partners: lifeorks, exeter college, BICTON COLLEGE, oakwood, roc college, DGT Growing Abilities, CSW People developers, POST 16, Devon County Council, Reaching for Independence, South Devon College, PETROC, Orchard Manor School.

START THINKING ABOUT THE FUTURE
Explore, Plan, Dream...

Blue, Pink, Lime, Green,
Orange and Peach Classes
Proudly Present ...



A 'Celebration of Springtime'

Monday 25th March 2pm
Tuesday 26th March 11am
In the Lower School Hall

Tickets available to book after half term

In March we are celebrating Springtime on Lower Campus with the classes all getting involved with a production a little like our Christmas one. Instead of snowmen we will have chicks and bunnies. All good pre-Easter fun. Tickets will be available to book after half term.

Students on Upper Campus will be visited by musical duo Lady Nade and Holly Carter to have a live music session on the 13th of March. It will give our students a dip into, perhaps, a new variety of music, and it promises to be an interesting experience.

Finally, we have an "ask" from Peach class. After half term they will be trying to build an egg box igloo — so please, if you have any egg boxes to recycle — send them to Amanda in Peach Class. This is what they are



going to build. We will keep you updated on progress! I have to say, it looks a lot of fun!

I wish you all a very happy half term, take the time to relax and get ready for the next half of term. As usual, it will be filled with exciting things to learn and do. And Happy Valentines day! **See you back at school on Tuesday 20 February at 09:10am.**

(Don't forget school is closed for Staff Training on Monday 19th—its a Non Pupil Day).

Nicola Jones, Headteacher