



Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter

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Home Learning

Research the Victorians! Make a poster or booklet to share your research.

Stars of the week!



This week my star of the week is **Isaac** for his wonderful learning attitudes this week!

My value this week is **Claudia** for having the **courage** to offer answers in class!

Reading award!

Jacob is my reading star of the week for sharing his book with his friends inside and outside of school!

PE superstars

This week's PE superstars are **George D** and **Lexi W** for your lovely dance routines!

Dear Parents and carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring term! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. We have jumped straight back into our learning in Courtenay class this week!

In maths, we have started our multiplication and division block. We will be focusing on times tables before moving onto multiplying and dividing 2-digit (year 3) or 3-digit (year 4) numbers. Please continue logging onto TTRockstars to help improve times table fluency.

As scientist, we are continuing to look at electricity. This week the children predicted if different circuits would work or not. WE concluded that a circuit must be complete and must have a power source in order to work.

We will be starting our dance learning in PE. This week we played lots of different games including follow the dance leader and musical statues. This was a great way for the children to have fun with their dance and not feel too overwhelmed by it!

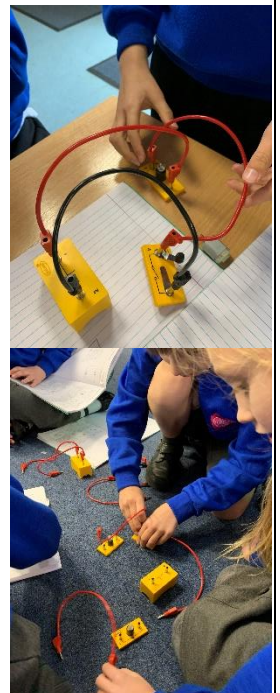
This week's 'Words of the day' are:



majestic, mandatory, oblivious and preposterous.

The children have enjoyed learning a new word every day. We will continue with this short but fun activity daily and throughout the year. Remember, you can always write down new words in your reading logs so that you can refer to them in your writing.

Have a restful weekend,
Miss Massey





A note from Mrs Secker

I am delighted to let you all know that we have a new teacher who started with us this week. Mr Thorne is the new SENDco across the Newton & Teign hub. Some of you may have already met him on the gate at the beginning of the school day. This week, Mr Thorne has spent the mornings at ASM and the afternoons at Dunsford where he has been getting to know the children and adults during lunchtimes and in classes. As from next week and until half term, Mr Thorne will be spending the first three days of the week at Dunsford and the other two days at ASM. Mr Thorne is an extremely experienced senior leader and has worked in London schools for the last few years. Mr Thorne, along with his wife and baby daughter, moved back to Devon just before Christmas to where he grew up. We are very excited to have him on board and I know that you will all join in with me in welcoming him to our wonderful school community.

'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

A note from the Office



We have recently joined the National School Breakfast Programme, which is run by Family Action and funded by the Department for Education. It supports schools in England to provide children with a healthy breakfast (bagels), providing a healthy school breakfast which can set up pupils to succeed and give them the very best chance to learn. We will be offering bagels from Monday 19th January, if your child would like a bagel before class, they will be served from the hall as soon as the children arrive into school. If you can let us know if your child would like a bagel this will help us with gauging interest and preparation.