

# Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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# **Home Learning**

Draw, paint or build the journey of a river from source to mouth! I will put a picture on Google Classroom to remind you of the journey.

#### Stars of the week!



This week my star of the week is **Keziah** for her wonderful writing and always looking for the best word choice!

My value star this week is **Chloe** for spreading **love** with her happiness and cheerfulness!

# Reading award!

Freddie G is my reading star of the week because he has started to enjoy reading more!

#### PE superstars

This week's PE superstars are **everyone!** For the effort they put into walking and running for Ukraine! Dear Parents and carers,

Thank you for joining us for the parent consultations this week. It was lovely to speak to everyone and celebrate the children's successes and improvement so far this year!

We had a very busy PE lesson this week. First, we were challenged to walk, jog or run around the field to show support for Ukraine. We are aiming to walk, jog or cycle 440 miles between ourselves and Dunsford. Courtenay class managed to run 28.7 miles collectively in the PE lesson so a massive well done to everyone! Please let us know if you walk, run or cycle over the weekend and we can add it to the tally.

After that exciting start to PE, we started to focus on our rugby skills. The children were in small groups and had to pass the ball between them. There were two defenders who had to try and intercept the ball. There were then challenged to only throw the ball underarm as they would in a rugby game!

In English, we have started planning our independent write where the children can show off all the skills they have learnt! We are going to write about Erin and Black Rock going on another adventure together so I'm looking forward to seeing what the children come up with!

As mathematicians, we have started our fraction learning. This week we have been busy understanding parts and wholes as well as equal

and unequal groups. Next week we will be looking at recognising and finding halves, thirds and quarters to build on this learning.

Have a restful weekend, Miss Massey



### **Dates for your Diary**

7th April – Courtenay Class Trip to Buckfast Abbey. Voluntary contribution due by 25th March.

25th April – 27th April – Year 4 PGL trip to Barton Hall

5th April – National Weight and Measurement (Reception and Year 6)

6th April – Easter Service at St Pauls Church 1.45 – 2.30pm

17th May – Year 4 / 5 Trip to Dyno Climb, Buckfastleigh

20th May – Year 6 Trip to Dyno Climb, Buckfastleigh

26th May – Templar Trip to Decoy Park

27th May - Class Photos (AM)

13th – 14th June – DAISI Artists to visit 17th June Fathers / Carers Day – PFTA to make gifts with the children. Suggested donation £1 per family.

2nd November – Individual Photos (AM)

#### **Note from Mrs Secker**

What a fantastic week of sunshine we have had, finished off with the launch of Forest School for our youngest children.

Many of you have seen that we have had a big spring clean this week!! It's been great to create more space and organise space for our brand new library, Forest school resources and revamped book corners. We've also unearthed lots of exciting playground games to keep children busy at lunch time!

Staff have been so pleased to be able to share children's progress and learning at parent consultations this week. Thank you for such a high uptake of these appointments. It shows how much you value the relationship with teachers.

Between us we have raised an amazing £223 for Comic Relief. Thank you to all those who supported us in baking and buying cakes and making donations.

We have also been so blown away with the children's determination in walking or jogging as many miles as they can to support our Ukraine appeal. In total our pupils have families have achieved over 190 miles! and raised £90 to date. If you would like to make a donation please follow the link <a href="Dunsford Community Academy is fundraising for The British Red Cross Society">Dunsford Community Academy is fundraising for The British Red Cross Society (justgiving.com)</a>. A special mention must go to brothers in KS1 who kindly donated all their pocket money to out appeal. Thank you so much, what a wonderful demonstration of our school values of love and compassion.

