



Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 13th October 2023



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	99% Well done Forde Class!
Courtenay	93%
Templar	95%

This week's whole school attendance: 95.8%

Last week's whole school attendance: 95.6%

RAG Rating		98% and above
		96.1%- 97.9%
		96% and below

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Please ensure that children are reading at least 4 times a week and it is recorded in their reading records.

Spelling and maths homework will be sent home weekly.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant week in Courtenay class. There has been some fantastic learning this week.

In English, some of the children within Courtenay Class continue to split off into their Read Write Inc groups to further develop their reading and writing. In our writing lessons, the children have started working as a class to write a non-chronological report about hibernation. Together, they are looking at what makes a good report and practicing skills to produce a quality piece of writing.

Star of the Week

Amelia

You have impressed all the adults in the school with learning your Harvest reading off by heart.

In maths, the children have been challenged this week with adding and subtracting. They have been learning different methods to support them to add and subtract, exchanging place value. They have worked really hard with this and have developed new ways to support their mathematical learning.

This week, we had the Harvest Festival that took place up at the church. I just wanted to say a very big well done to all the children in Courtenay class. They have all worked really hard to learn the songs and behaved beautifully whilst at the service.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Harris

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

Harvest Festival

We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of you for joining us at the Harvest Celebration in the church and for everyone who supported their children to learn their words or helped them with songs. The children's performances were outstanding, showcasing their talent, hard work, and enthusiasm. Harvest is a time to reflect on abundance, gratitude, and sharing, and the message was beautifully conveyed by our children. Your support means the world to us, and we couldn't be prouder of how well the children represented the school.



Curriculum Focus – that the children have been learning this week?

Alongside preparing for our Harvest Festival the children have also been working hard in all areas of the curriculum. Templer have researched prominent figures Emmeline Pankhursts and Millicent Fawcett and their impact on the Suffragette movement to then go on to write biographies next week. This research has really inspired our children and it was wonderful to see all of Templer Class engaging in discussion about the impact they had on our lives today.

This term's Christian value which we have focused on has been trust. We have explored how this is all visible in the way in which the children treat each other on a daily basis. We see trust in the way our teachers and students have worked together to create a nurturing environment where everyone feels safe to learn and grow. Trust, as a Christian value is not just a concept, it underpins the foundation of All Saints Marsh and the relationships we hold dear.

Parent and Carer Feedback Survey

Just finally I would like to give all parents and carers a reminder that our parent feedback survey is open, and we welcome your thoughts on your child's experiences at All Saints Marsh.

We are seeking your valuable feedback to help us to continue to build a positive learning environment where all our children flourish. Your feedback will help us to gain a better understanding of your views on your child's experience in school and hear your thoughts about being part of a family of schools, so we can see how we are doing and recognise opportunities for improvement. The anonymous feedback survey can be accessed by scanning the QR code. The survey opens on **Monday 6th October** and close on Friday 20th October. Link to survey for parent/carers to complete:



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Please provide your feedback by end of day on Friday 19th October 2023.



<https://forms.office.com/e/yQCTaHTkD0>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2023 / 2024

- 16th October - Individual School Photos
- 16th October - Parent Consultations 3.15 - 6pm (Forde and Courtenay)
- 18th October - Parent Consultations 3.15 - 6pm (Forde, Courtenay and Templar)
- 19th October - Parent Consultations 3.15 - 6pm (Templar)
- 18th - 20th October - Year 6 PGL Residential
- 23rd - 27th October HALF TERM
- 17th November - Children In Need

FAMILY SUPORT

School Nursing service for parents/carers and primary aged children

Parents/carers can contact the public health nursing team (health visitors and school nurses) for [information and advice](#) on **07520631721**.

They also have a [website](#) that's split into a kids zone and a parent's zone with information about a range of health and wellbeing needs and sources of support if you need it.

Health for Kids! Devon County Council

Staying Healthy | Illness | Feelings | Getting Help

A fun and interactive resource for learning about health

Games
Activities
Quizzes

www.healthforkids.co.uk

Psst! Parents!
As well as enjoying the content with your child, you can get advice on supporting their health and wellbeing.

www.healthforkids.co.uk/Devon

Follow us: [Health for Kids: Growups](#) [healthforkidsgrowups](#) [@HealthforKids1](#)

ChatHealth
Text a school nurse for confidential advice and support
07520 631721

Or scan the QR code for further service contact details.

Disclaimer: We may need to inform someone if we are concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored securely and can only be accessed by other authorised health care professionals who follow the same strict confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to your message within one working day and you should get an immediate message back from us to confirm we have received your text. If you need help before you hear back from us, please contact your GP, nearest health centre or dial 111. In an emergency please dial 999. Unfortunately, our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some number-matching mobile apps). To opt-out of receiving messages from a healthcare professional, please text 'STOP' to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.

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IF YOU ARE A PARENT OR CARER

You can text a Health Visitor on
07520 631 721

We can help with all kinds of things like.....

CHILD HEALTH & MENTAL DEVELOPMENT HEALTH
ADJUSTING TO SLEEP & FEEDING ROUTINES
PARENTING TOILETING CONTINENCE
FAMILY HEALTH

Text us for confidential advice & support

Key symbols are...

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Christmas Toy Appeal

As in previous years, the Salvation Army have kindly offered to help families in need this Christmas.

They will be concentrating on Toys and aim to provide 3 items for each child plus a selection pack and copy of their Children's Christmas comic. They try and tailor the presents, so it would be helpful to know about the children's special interests or disabilities/allergies if they have any, dinosaurs, cars etc. or requires toys with no sound effects/tactile etc. They also need to know the age and gender of the children.

If you would like Mrs Webber to make a referral, please let her know her by 1st December. They will also need your name and family postcode which will be treated in the strictest of confidence and for that reason we do ask for your permission to share this information.

Action for children Devon Childrens Centres are offering a selection of webinars and online events – Please see a link for the collection [HERE](#) – Webinars and bite sized events will be added to this collection on an ongoing basis.



Is your child struggling with their mental health?
Alongside You...

SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS
8 weekly online sessions on Mondays 5:30pm - 6:45pm
A safe and supportive group facilitated by two Arts Therapists

Together we will explore the commonalities of being a parent and each session will have a theme named in advance. This will likely include:

- how we might best help a child/young person
- how we look after ourselves
- communication and relationships
- identity
- trauma and the body
- self-harm
- suicidal thoughts
- planning for safety
- accessing services

Please email:
info@youthartsandhealth.org
and we will send you more information and a booking form.

Places are limited.

YOUTH ARTS & HEALTH TRUST
Our mission is to provide high quality arts therapies and creative arts activities to children, young people and their families that develops their skills, confidence and resilience.

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GENERAL CONTACT: info@youthartsandhealth.org www.youthartsandhealth.org



Devon Children's Centres
Digi Dads Connect
Digital Drop in session
for male carers

Join us for our new **Digital Dad's Drop in!**

Devon Children's Centres, Digital Service are offering digital drop in sessions for male carers.

So why not pop in to this informal, friendly drop in session and discuss topics that are important to you and your family. The session will give you the opportunity to get support from other male carers in Devon with the assistance of a Family Practitioner.

Monthly sessions are from 7pm - 8pm on Mondays
Dates are:
23rd October
27th November
11th December

You will join the session via Microsoft Teams.

Topics can include: sleep, eating, toddler tantrums, bath times, getting to school on time...

To book your place on any of the sessions, please click the link above or scan the QR code below

Any questions? Please contact:
devondigital@actionforchildren.org.uk

They are also offering monthly male carer drop in's called Digi Dads connect! – this is a safe and supportive digital session for males with child caring responsibilities to meet and share. Here is also a link to book onto those sessions - [Click here to book Digi Dads Connect](#) These sessions are run once a month for 20 participants at each session.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHAT Space @ Newton's Place

Feeling like you could do with a chat? You are always welcome at CHAT Space in the community area of Newton's Place,

Every Friday, 1pm - 3pm

Free tea & coffee



**Newton's Place, Wolborough St,
Newton Abbot TQ12 1JQ
(That's the big church opposite ASDA!)**



Saturday 15th of October

Apple Harvest

Decoy Community Orchard 10.30am-12pm

Pick your own apples

**Follow signs through BMX track, from bottom of Devon County
Football car park, Coach Road.**

Apple Pressing

Vicary's Field Community Garden from 1.30pm

**Bring along an empty bottle and take home some
fresh juice!**

Over the foot bridge from Baker's Park Car Park

**These events are free but a donation towards costs is
very welcome**

Libraries
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STORY TIME

With author Anne Parsons

Thursday 26th October, 11am - 12pm
Newton Abbot Library

Join author Anne Parsons as she reads from her latest book **Archie, Go!** followed by themed crafts. This is the third and final installment in the Archie series

Anne will also be selling signed copies of her book if you would like to take one home!

Book your **FREE** place at:
bit.ly/NAeventbrite

Suitable for ages 5-10



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