

Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 3rd November 2023



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Class	Weekly Attendance	
Forde	96 % Well done Forde Class!	
Courtenay	95%	
Templar	91%	

This week's whole school attendance: 94.1% 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 read 4x a week.

Please see your child's Home
Learning book
which comes home
every **Friday**

Star of the Week:

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a strange week! I hope everyone was safe on Thursday in the storm, and that the home learning was useful. I missed the children on Thursday but glad that no one was put at risk by venturing out in the terrible weather!

The children in Year 1 and Year 2 have started their Geography lessons this week and have been learning about the countries that make up the United Kingdom. They were able to label a map with the country names and the Year 2 children even labelled the capital cities of each country!

In Science we have continued our learning around our topic of 'Animal Safari'. The Year 1 and 2 children were able to fill in a Venn diagram of

Marisela – for working so hard this week on her writing!

carnivores, omnivores and herbivores. We were all surprised to find out that hedgehogs are omnivores!

Maths this week has been focused around subtraction. Subtraction is always a bit trickier than addition but the children coped really well with the challenge and have found different methods to subtract a number from another number. Reception children have enjoyed Maths games with Miss Rippon this week, and have been practising showing numbers on their fingers. I wonder if they can show numbers in different ways?

Next week, weather permitting (!) we will have our Fun Run which was postponed from this Thursday. Thank you so muhch for the donations we have already had – Forde Class alone has raised well over £100! The money will be put towards days out and experiences for the children so we look forward to seeing what the PTFA can put into place!

See you all on Monday,

Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

It has been a fantastic first week of the new half term despite the impact of storm Ciaran with the children settling back into their learning beautifully. In Templar the children have been focussing on writing with detail and I have included an extract from Hettie's writing which I am sure you will all agree has you hooked from outset.

"I'm bored and isolated, the bedroom seemed to wail with despair. The only glow of light was streaming out of a TV. The left hand wall paper formed unknown creatures that scuttled down the wall like spiders"

Commissioning Service 14th November

On the 14th November at 1.30pm the children and the staff team will be attending a service at St Paul's church led by Reverand Gareth. This service is a headteachers commissioning service and is being hosted to welcome me officially to the school community. As parents you are more than welcome to join us at the service, but I want to stress that this will not be our normal church service, the staff and children will this time make up part of the congregation. It would be wonderful to share this moment with you however there is no expectation for parents to attend.

PTFA Fun Run – 9th November.

What a wonderful amount of donations already received an amazing £342!

We want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your incredible generosity in supporting our fun run through your donations. It was unfortunate that we had to postpone the event, but we're thrilled to announce that it's now rescheduled for Thursday 9th November. We invite you to join us throughout the day to share in the excitement and fun. Your continued support means the world to us, and we can't wait

to make this event a memorable day for everyone. Thank you for being an integral part of our school community.

PTFA Rags to Riches 8th November

We would like to remind parents that on Wednesday the 8th the PTFA are inviting you to receive unwanted clothes with the aim of raising some more money to support our school. Our PTFA have been wonderfully active in this term and this is another example of an event being hosted to raise more valuable funds to support our children.



PTFA Meeting – Wednesday 8th November 3pm

All are welcome to join the PTFA to discuss and make preparations for the Christmas Fayre. All help much appreciated, Tea, coffee and biscuits available and children welcome!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2nd November - PTFA Fun Run - POSPONED TO 9TH NOVEMBER

8th November - PTFA Rags to Riches

14th November 1.30pm Commissioning Service St Paul's Church

16th November - Grandparents Reading Afternoon KS2 2.00 - 2.30pm KS1 2.30 - 3pm

17th November - Children In Need

29th November - Templar trip to Coombeshead to watch Panto

30th November - Templar Bake Sale

4th December - Templar Lantern Workshop at the Avenue Church

5th December - PTFA Whole School Cinema Visit - Arthur Christmas

6th December - School Christmas Meal and PTFA Xmas Fayre

13th December - Lantern Parade - Newton Abbot Town Centre

14th December - Nativity at St Pauls' Church 1.45 and PTFA Christmas Disco

FAMILY SUPPORT

Tue, 14 Nov 2023 19:00 - 22:00 GMT

Tickets available from: Let's Talk Primary - Session 1, November 2023 Tickets, Tue 14 Nov 2023 at 19:00 | Eventbrite

Aimed at parents and carers of young people aged from 5 to 9 years old, it is a chance for you to hear about the challenges young people face in this ever changing world and to hear about the tools and techniques you can use to support your children.

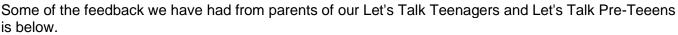
The topics covered will be as follows: -

Session 1 - Tuesday 14th November

- Development
- Anxiety Landscape
- Family life
- Ever changing risks and world
- The online world

Session 2 - Tuesday 21st November

- Relationships
- Gender stereotypes
- Positive body image
- Mental health



"The work you are doing is VITALLY important. I have been feeling so alone and isolated as a single parent. This has made me feel supported in just an hour and a half"

"This has been the best online service I have ever been on...thank you. worth every minute of our time and yours"

"Again, another really good session. I wasn't sure whether to join as I have done the teen talks and my youngest is 12 but thought it might help... and it has already"

"I thought they were very tough topics and the session and links will be invaluable to help me to discuss them with my daughter who is in Year 6 and also my son who is in Year 4"



Youth Arts Trust

Limited places available for the fully funded online support group for parents. Mondays on zoom beginning later this month. Please contact info@youthartsandhealth.org with your email address and they will send you the application form. A friendly, supportive and nurturing group (bring a cuppa). Thanks to Lottery funding.



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Join Templar Class by making your own magical lantern creation and joining us at the parade.

Fancy making your own Lantern and taking part in 'The Wild Creatures Come to Town' Lantern Parade on Wednesday 13th December?

Public workshop held at

The Avenue Church, Newton Abbot

Tickets available from Newton's Place on 01626 201120

Morning workshop 10am - 1pm

Afternoon workshop 2pm - 5pm

£5 per ticket! - (CASH ONLY)







FOR NEW CURATORS ONLY -Newton Abbot Museum

Join our team of Young Curators and learn all there is to know about running a museum and taking care of objects in our collection!

Across four weeks we will explore the collection and undertake fascinating curator tasks.

Tuesdays: November 14th, 21st, 28th and December 5th

Timings: Arrive after school anytime between 3.30 and 4.00pm for a 4.00pm start. Finish 5.30pm

For beginners aged 7 - 16

Please note these sessions are not appropriate for those who have already attended our Curator Club this summer, please don't sign up if your child has already become a young curator with us.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/.../young-curators-club...

