



Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 5th January 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

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

This week's whole school attendance: 93.9%
Last week's whole school attendance: 93.4%

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,

Welcome back. I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. What a fantastic first week of the spring term. The children have come back to school with amazing attitudes towards their learning.

In English, In English, some of the children within Courtenay Class have been continuing to split off into the Read Write Inc groups in order to develop their reading and writing further. In our English, we have started to look at a new purpose for writing. This half term, we will be focussing on writing to persuade. The children have had the opportunity to immerse themselves in a variety of different examples of persuasion.

Star of the Week

Dovydas

You have come back ready to engage in all areas of your learning. Well done.

In Maths, we are still going to be focusing on multiplication and division, however using our knowledge of times tables to support us to multiply and divide larger numbers.

This half term we are going to focussing on the History of the Vikings. This week, the children were exploring both primary and secondary sources to make suggestions on what Vikings were like.



Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Harris

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe.....

We are stronger together

A huge welcome back to our children and families! It's truly heartwarming to see the corridors and classrooms filled with the vibrant energy of our children after the Christmas break. Their enthusiasm and how quickly the children have settled back into the routine has been great to see. Here's to a wonderful journey ahead filled with curiosity, collaboration and building firm foundations together.

We all belong in our School Trust

Exciting news for Courtenay class! This term, we're thrilled that Courtenay class will take part in Forest School sessions, providing a unique opportunity to learn and explore the wonders of nature. To fully embrace this outdoor adventure, please ensure your child comes to school in their P.E kit, including suitable shoes for outdoor activities. As we'll be embracing the elements, warm coats are also essential to make the most of this enriching experience. We look forward to a term of discovery, hands-on learning, and building lasting memories in the great outdoors! Sessions take place on the following dates 21/1/ then 26/1, 2/2, 23/2, 8/3, 22/3.

We all belong in our School Trust....

We are pleased to announce that Parent Consultation Evenings for Spring 2 are just around the corner. Bookings will be live on MCAs starting Monday, 8th January. We encourage all parents and carers to take this opportunity to engage in insightful discussions about your child's progress with their class teacher. Your active involvement plays a crucial role in our collective efforts to ensure each child's success. The dates for these sessions are below.

4.3.24- Forde and Courtenay Class 3.15pm - 6pm

5.3.24 - Forde, Courtenay and Templar (Mrs Mott) 3.15 - 6pm

7.3.24 - Templar (Mrs Blakesley) 3.15 - 6pm

In realising the possible so that all children can flourish....

As we embark on a new term, we are excited to introduce our new school value – perseverance. This term, we will be focusing on the importance of determination, resilience, and perseverance in the face of challenges. To celebrate and reinforce this value, we will be recognising and rewarding instances of perseverance. Additionally, we'll explore how Jesus, demonstrated perseverance in his journeys.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2024

30.1.23 2.15pm Year 4 Heatree Parent Meeting
12.2.24 – 16.2.24 Half Term
19.1.24 Census Day
26.2.24 – 28.2.24 Year 4 Residential
4.3.24 6.3.24 7.3.24 Parent Consultations
15.3.24 -National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6)
21.3.24 Cricket Engagement Day
7.3.24 World Book Day
27.3.24 – Easter Service 1.30pm
29.4.24 – 12.4.24 Easter Break

FAMILY SUPPORT



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LET'S FACE THE NEW YEAR!

Thursday
1st Feb

19:00 - 21:00
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging stereotypes, explaining what ADHD is and offering a range of interventions that can make lasting differences.

Monday
5th Feb

19:00 - 21:00
£24



Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes in how you communicate, lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Tuesday
9th Jan

19:00 - 21:00
£24



Getting a Good Night

Screen Addiction, insomnia, energy drinks and more. Get a range of extremely useful ideas on how to improve the quality of their sleep.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Events at Newton Abbot Library



Date: 06 January 2024

Time: 13:00 - 14:00

Description:

A creative drop-in session for children to make and build with LEGO at the library, with over 1000 bricks to play with! Play official LEGO games, take on some of our fun design challenges, and socialise with other budding builders! No booking necessary, just pop along on the day. Suitable for children aged 5+ and their parents/guardians.

Audience: Child

Cost: Free, donations welcome

Theme: Lego

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All Saints Marsh C of E Academy, Osborne Street, Newton Abbot, TQ12 2DJ



Date: 13 January 2024

Time: 10:30 - 11:00

Description:

Join us for Story Time! We read a specially selected book, followed by themed crafts in the children's library.

This is a drop-in event, no booking necessary!

Audience: Child

Cost: Free

Theme: Story Telling



Getting Started

1. Choose an arts activity to do at home.

The [Creative Challenges](#) have been provided by local artists using materials that you should be able to find at home.

2. Complete the Arts Award Log Book.

Complete a [simple form](#) to show what you have learned about art through doing your Creative Challenge.

3. Record what you have been doing.

You can use whatever materials you like to record your activities; writing, drawing, painting, taking photos - just get creative and take photos of what you make for [your certification](#).

4. Send off for your certificate

When you have completed all 3 parts of Discover at Home and gathered together your evidence e.g. photos and log book, you are ready to claim your official Arts Award Discover certificate from Trinity College London. You will need an adult to help you with this stage and to make the payment of £6.00 to cover the [cost of your official certificate and postage/packing*](#)

For more information please visit: [artawards - Devon \(devonlibraries.org.uk\)](#)

Arts Award – Discover at home

Arts Award is a nationally recognised qualification that helps young people aged 5 – 25 to explore their creative skills, and to

develop as artists and arts

leaders. Arts Award offer a range of awards for children and young people that gets them involved in and excited about arts and culture and celebrates their creative achievements.

