



Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 19th April 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

| Class | Weekly Attendance |
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| Forde | 97% |
| Courtenay | 98% Well done! |
| Templar | 96% |

This week's whole school attendance: 97.1%

Last week's whole school attendance: 94.1%

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| 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 – Emmett – for always

Dear Parents and carers,

It has been lovely to see the children back in school after our Easter holiday – I hope that you all had a nice break despite the wet weather!

The week kicked off with the exciting news that ALL the children in Year 1 and Year 2 who entered the Poetry Bus competition have been chosen to have their poems published in the Poetry Bus – Hidden Treasures anthology. This is such an honour as usually only a handful of poems from a school would have been chosen! Well done to our brilliant poets – we can't wait to receive a copy of the book in June! If you have not yet signed the permission form for your child's work to appear in the book please come and see me and I can show you how to do so online (it seems to be the easiest way!).

showing outstanding learning behaviour!

Today we were lucky enough to take part in Martial Arts day. The children had an hour-long session practising Martial Arts moves and techniques. Thank you to Richard for coming in!

In Maths this week we have started to look at Fractions. The children in Year 1 and Year 2 have been looking at halves and quarters and have been learning what it means to make 'equal parts'. Reception are looking at doubling next week – any work that you can do with children at home on this would be great!

Science this term is 'How does Your Garden Grow?'. We will be looking at plants and what they need to thrive and grow. The children looked closely at plants and made observational drawings which they then labelled.

In History, children were enthused to find out about Emily Davison and her fight to change the law so that women were allowed to vote. Children listened attentively and talked eloquently about equality and what it means to show fairness.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We are stronger together

Welcome back! I was thrilled to see all the children's smiling faces this week and attendance in the first week has been outstanding which has also been great to see. This half term, our academy is placing a special emphasis on compassion. Throughout the term, we'll explore how we can embody compassion in our daily lives at ASM. Together, let's make this term one filled with empathy and care for one another.

We all belong in our School Trust

You will have seen that as part of our 'You can't be what you can't see' program that we were visited to local PCSOs before the holidays. The children had a wonderful time listening to our visitors with lots of our children expressing interest in being police officers themselves in the future. On Monday 29th we are having a visit from a specialist nurse from Torbay hospital which we are very excited about. Again please do come and see us if you would be willing to give your time to come and speak to our children.



In removing barriers for all

Just a friendly reminder that our Year 1 and 2 students will be attending the cricket festival on the 24th of April, 2024. Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed in their P.E. kit and brings along a water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day. Additionally, as mentioned in the previous letter. We're looking forward to a fun-filled and active day at the festival!

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

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you! Forde class has achieved a remarkable feat by winning a poetry competition that the school entered. As a result, the children's incredible poetic creations will be published in a book! We couldn't be prouder of their hard work, creativity, and dedication. This is a fantastic accomplishment for Forde class, and we're thrilled that their talent will be showcased for others to enjoy. Congratulations to our budding poets!



After School Clubs

KS2 Football club starts on the 18th April – 23rd May. Please sign up via MCAS

KS1 Cooking Club starts on 17th April – 8th May. Please sign up via MCAS. If full up you will be added to a waiting list.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 30.4.24 Maths Challenge Day – Year 5
- 23.5.24 PTFA Courtenay Bake Sale
- 24.5.24 National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6)
- 27.5.24 – 7.6.24 Half Term and Non Pupils Days
- 14.6.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Craft Day
- 20.6.24 PTFA Templar Bake Sale
- 27.6.24 Sports Day / PFA Summer Fete
- 11.7.24 Sports Day / PTFA Summer Fete (Reserve date)
- 22.7.24 Leavers Assembly at St Paul's
- 24.7.24 End of Term

OFFICE NEWS

The summer menus have been published on MCAS. Please can you pre-order your child's meal a day in advance at home, this helps with saving time in the morning and helps our kitchen staff to plan. This term we are also asking children to select the desert they would like. If you have any problems accessing MCAS please let Mrs Webber know. Thank you for your support. Copies of the new menus can be found [here](#).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Museum Make and Create



CULTURAL HEADDRESSES

Throughout history headdresses have formed an integral part of many cultures and have been the inspiration for many works of fiction.

SATURDAY MAY 4TH

10:30AM-12:30PM

Join us and be inspired by tradition and the arrival of Spring to create spectacular headdresses.

Express who you are and what is important to you by making the 'crowning glory' of your identity!



Book your FREE place via Eventbrite

Newton Abbot Museum, Newton's Place, Wolborough Street, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 1JQ
Phone: 01626 201 121 Email: groups@newtonabbot-tc.gov.uk
Website: www.museum-newtonabbot.org.uk



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Providing free support and advice from a variety of local services available within the community. Helping you with your health and well-being.

Help & Support for the following;

- NHS App Access
- Mental Health
- Cost of Living Crisis
- Housing
- Being an unpaid carer
- And more...

First Event:
WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL
At The Courtenay Centre

10:30AM - 12:30PM

Future Dates:
Wednesday 8th May
Wednesday 12th June

The Courtenay Centre



Clair's Summer Swim School at Kingsteignton Pool

Children's Lessons 4+ years - £100 for 12 weeks
30 minute lessons in one 12 week block with continuous assessments

Wednesday evenings 4:15 to 5:45pm

Wed 1st May to Wed 17th July

Saturday mornings 10 to 11:30am

Sat 4th May to Sat 20th July

We pride ourselves on our small class sizes and excellent teaching

Intensive Lessons

4+ years

30 minutes per day for 5 days - £42.50

9-9.30 & 9.30-10am

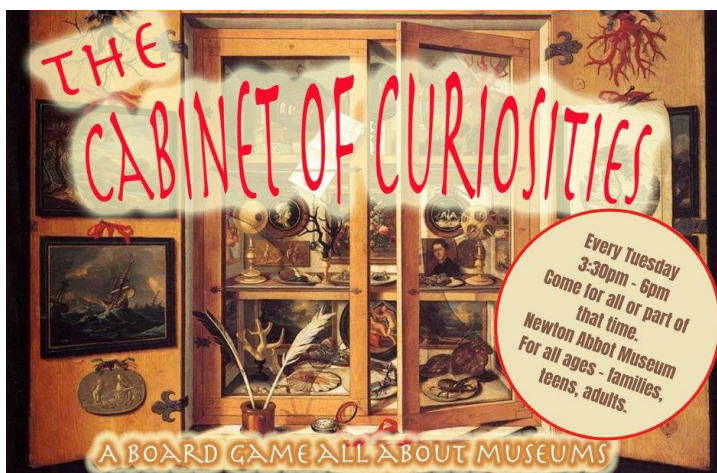
May 27th – 31st (Half Term)

August week 5th – 9th TBC

August week 19th – 24th TBC

For any further information please contact Clair Parker at lessons@kingsteigntonswimmingpool.org.uk

To apply please visit our website kingsteigntonswimmingpool.org.uk where you will find all the details on our swimming levels and how to book via our online booking system



Every Tuesday
3:30pm - 6pm
Come for all or part of
that time.
Newton Abbot Museum
For all ages - families,
teens, adults.

A BOARD GAME ALL ABOUT MUSEUMS

Help the museum invent a brand new board game. During sessions we will play games, talk about board games, explore the mechanics of how games work, and then we will invent a table top adventure about collecting and museums!

★ FREE ★
Drop-in sessions
(& free biscuits - yayyyy)