



Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 12th July 2024



‘Building Lifelong Foundations Together’

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	97%
Courtenay	96%
Templar	100% Well Done!

This week’s whole school attendance: 97.5%

Last week’s whole school attendance: 98%

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

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

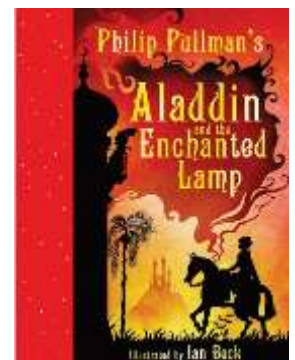
Please ensure that children are reading at least 4 times a week and it is recorded in their reading records.

Spelling and maths homework will be sent home weekly.

Dear Parents and Carers,

WOW! I am so impressed with the resilience and determination in all areas of learning. With not long left of the year, the children have been working hard to ensure they are ready for the next year group.

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. As writers, the children have started their final writing piece on Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp. They have been using a variety of skills and features that they have learned throughout the year to support them.



**Star of the Week
Rohan**

For always being a kind friend and a role model to your peers.

As mathematicians, we have continued our learning on time. This week, the children have been learning the understand more about hours, days, months, and years.

This week, as geographers, the children have been continuing their learning on Human and physical features of both Exeter and Rome. Now that they have an understanding f these two destinations we will be looking to make comparisons of the two cities.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Harris

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe.....

We are stronger together

This week, our worship sessions had a special focus on reading, creating a buzz of excitement among the children. We were thrilled to welcome a local author, whose visit captivated and inspired our children. Additionally, Newton Abbot library paid us a visit to launch the summer reading challenge, encouraging a love of books and reading over the holidays. For more information on how to participate in the summer reading challenge, please contact the school or Newton Abbot library.

We all belong in our School Trust

It has been truly wonderful to see all children accessing the Forest School curriculum this year, with the last few groups completing their sessions this week. Watching the children engage in these activities with enthusiasm and curiosity has been incredibly rewarding. We extend our thanks to the Forest School teachers for their dedication and time in enriching our curriculum, ensuring that every child had the opportunity to learn and grow through these unique, hands-on experiences.

In removing barriers for all

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the PTFA for their remarkable efforts in hosting this year's summer fair. The impact of your fundraising events has been profound, enabling our children to enjoy free trips and providing resources for the school. Your commitment has made a significant difference for our children and for that, we thank you immensely.

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

We are delighted to announce that our Year 6 children are off on an exciting stand-up paddleboarding trip, a well-deserved celebration of their hard work throughout the year and their entire school journey. This adventure promises to be a memorable experience, rewarding their dedication and achievements. We look forward to hearing all about the brilliant time they have had at Goodrington beach and the wonderful memories they will create.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

19.7.24 Year 6 Cream Tea Event – Please pre order by completing the form <https://forms.office.com/e/3KMkhUd1GL>
22.7.24 Leavers Assembly at St Paul's 1.30- 2.15
24.7.24 End of Term

OFFICE NEWS

Dear Families,

As we get ready to move into the next academic year we have reviewed parental consents within MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) and we need your permission to enable photographs and videos to be used. You have

the opportunity to choose 'Yes or No' for each consent type. The list also includes permission for an external photographer to take individual and class/group photos. Please log into your MCAS App and click on Parental Consents. Each consent has a full description for you to consider and further information can be found in our Photography and Video Consent Policy.

Thank you to those who have already updated their preferences.

Can we also ask that you order your child's school dinner in advance at home (not in school) as this takes up valuable learning time. The kitchen also use the pre orders to plan what food need to be ordered. If you need help with this, please let Mrs Webber know.



FAMILY SUPPORT

DEVON Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

The Devon HAF programme for the Summer holidays is due to go live on Friday 28th June, parents of eligible children can start to book your spaces – letters will be sent home with the children today. For more details please visit: [Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) programme – Education and Families \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/education-and-families/haf-programme)

There is an extended criteria which can allow 15% allocation of spaces for the following:

- Children in care
- Children previously looked after
- Children with EHCP's
- Young carers

Plant Sale, this Saturday

We're fortunate enough to have been given some pumpkin and gourd plants so we're having a plant sale! There will be no set cost so please make a donation on the day - you'll find the plants in the main foyer.

All money raised helps to support the amazing work our charity [Libraries Unlimited](#) continues to do across the county.

[Newton Abbot Seed Library](#)



Exciting News for Parents in Devon! 🍌🍷

We're proud participants of [Devon County Council Healthy Food and Activities Program \(HAF\)](#), and if your child receives free school meals, they can enjoy a fully funded swim and snack!! 🍌🍷

It's easy to get started. Just use the eligibility code you received from your child's school to join in on the fun. Let's make the most of this wonderful opportunity to keep our kids happy, healthy, and active.

Don't let these passes go to waste – spread the word and share this post with your friends and fellow parents! 🌟

🌟What is a HAF Club? It's a government-funded Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) program,



providing children on means-tested benefits the opportunity to have a swim for free with an adult!!

? Who's Eligible? Children aged 5-16 who qualify for benefit-related Free School Meals.

? How do I book? Email aaron@fishkids.co.uk with your HAF code.



Story Time and Crafts

FREE EVENT!
NO BOOKING NECESSARY

THEMED CRAFTS AND COLOURING SHEETS

**SATURDAY 13TH JULY,
10:30AM
AT NEWTON ABBOT
LIBRARY**

Libraries Unlimited

The poster features a book cover for 'HOT DOG' by Peter Biskind and a cartoon illustration of a hot dog character. There are also images of a red and yellow marker.



Party in the Park

Courtenay Park
BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC!

**Saturday 13th July
12 noon - 4.30 pm**

**Sunday 14th July
11 am - 4.30pm**

Rotary Wheelbarrow Race
Taiko Drummers
Shining Stars Academy
Newton Abbot Martial Arts
Food & drink stalls
Charity stalls
Trade stalls
Bouncy castle

Live music:
Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Band
The Chance
Suspicious Anteaters
Face painting
Balloon modelling
'Creative Newton Abbot'
'Bubbles the Pixie'
Hula Hoop shows
'The Box Bar' cocktail bar
Ice cream van
Coffee van

Rotary Newton Abbot

The poster shows a festive outdoor scene with colorful bunting and a Newton Abbot logo in the top right corner.



YOUNG CURATORS' CLUB

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

FREE

AGES 8 - 16

BOOK NOW ON OUR EVENTBRITE

EVERY TUESDAY FROM 30TH JULY UNTIL 27TH AUGUST 10:30AM - 12:30PM (COME TO AS MANY OR AS FEW AS SUITS YOU)

TRY OUT BEING A CURATOR OF A MUSEUM ACROSS THE SUMMER. EXPLORE BEHIND THE SCENES, LEARN HOW TO LOOK AFTER PRECIOUS OBJECTS, CHOOSE OBJECTS FOR A DISPLAY IN THE MUSEUM, LEARN HOW TO CONSERVE FRAGILE OBJECTS.

NEWTON ABBOT MUSEUM

The poster includes a magnifying glass icon over a building, a photo of a child working at a table, and a photo of a woman in a museum setting. The Newton Abbot Museum logo is at the bottom center.

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