

# Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 20th September 2024



## 'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

#### Attendance



## Attendance Matters!



Class	Weekly Attendance	
Forde	98%	
Courtenay	99% Amazing well done!	
Templar	97%	

This week's whole school attendance: 98.1% Last week's whole school attendance: 96.7%

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 there reading records.

Spellings and maths homework will be sent home weekly.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous week we have had here in Courtenay class.

The children have been really thinking about how they can make their writing entertaining through the vocabulary they decide to use within their writing.

In Maths, we have been focusing on representing and portioning thousands (Y4) and looking at 1, 10, 100 and 1,000 (Y4) more or less. This was a tricky concept for the children to get their heads around but they persevered and gave it a good go.

Spelling tests will take place each Friday.

As scientists, Courtenay class were exploring the parts of a flower and plant and their functions. They were all intrigued by the functions and were asking some well thought out questions throughout the lesson.

It would be lovely if you could please send in a picture of your child reading in their favourite area, to go in our reading corner ©

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Star of the Week Evie

Who has been an all-round superstar in every lesson.
She has been incredibly helpful to myself and her peers. Well done Evie!

Miss Grimes ©

At the back of each child's home learning book, you will find a print out of the updated Recommended Reads to suit their year group. These are taken from the Reader Teacher website, which is not just for teachers! It's a fantastic resource for finding contemporary authors that are writing brand new, hot-off-the-press books and for broadening knowledge of different authors. I regularly use Book Match: if you like a certain popular author, Book Match will give you a list of authors who write in similar styles. For part of home learning this week, each child needs to use their local library or online to research one of the Recommended Reads. (If you're registered as a member - which is free and very simple to do at the library - you could even take the book out! If it's not in stock in your local library, it can be ordered in for you from other Devon libraries free of charge.) Each child will then verbally present their findings to a partner. Some helpful research sentence stems could be:

- I chose to research this particular book because...
- The blurb makes it sound like it will be...
- I have read books by a similar author so I thought...

#### **MESSAGE FROM MR O SULLIVAN**

#### We Believe:

What an incredible week we've had as we launched and implemented our school council – ASM Leaders of Change! The children have been actively engaging in discussions about democracy, learning how important it is in shaping a fair and equal society. Each of our amazing candidates showed great courage by presenting their ideas to the school, and it was inspiring to see their enthusiasm and confidence shine through. We then held our very own vote, allowing the children to experience firsthand the power of decision-making. This experience not only underscored the importance of British values like democracy and mutual respect but also reflected our school's core values of courage and compassion. We are incredibly proud of all the candidates for their hard work and bravery, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact our new school council will have!

#### We are Stronger Together

This week was made even more special as we officially welcomed our new children with a beautiful Bibles and Bubbles service, led by Reverend Dave from St. Paul's Church. The children have already settled in wonderfully, showing great enthusiasm and kindness as they join our school family. We are so

excited to see all the amazing things they will achieve, and we know they are going to thrive in the supportive and nurturing environment here at ASM!

#### We all belong in our School Trust

We are also excited to celebrate the start of all our clubs this year! The children have been thoroughly enjoying their time in Book Club, Lights Camera Action, and Cooking Club. It's wonderful to see them so engaged and passionate about these activities, as they have the opportunity to explore their creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. We look forward to watching them flourish even more as the year progresses!



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

This week, we are thrilled to celebrate our Year 5/6 children completing their first Reach Outdoors session! They had an incredible time taking part in bodyboarding and indoor climbing, and the excitement was contagious. The children returned from their adventure full of joy, sharing stories of their amazing experiences. It's clear that these activities not only challenged them but also brought so much fun and teamwork into the mix. We can't wait to see them continue growing in confidence and skills throughout the rest of the term with more exciting sessions ahead!



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### **SEPTEMBER 2024**

19.9.24 PTFA Event Dates

24.9.24 - Templar - Reach Outdoors

26.9.24 - Year 1 Phonics Meeting 3pm

#### OCTOBER 2024

1.10.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

3.10.24 - Census School Dinner - Free for all

4.10.24 - Forde Forest School

8.10.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

8.10.24 Parent Consultations – please book via MCAS

9.10.24 Harvest Festival St Pauls Church 1.45pm

10.10.24 Parent Consultations - please book via MCAS

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- 11.10.24 PTFA Fun Run Details TBC
- 14.10.24 Individual school photos (siblings from 8.30am)
- 15.10.24 Templar Reach Outdoors
- 15.10.24 EYFS Meeting 2.45
- 18.10.24 Forde Forest School
- 15.10.24 EYFS Meeting 11.30 and 2.45
- 22.10.24 Templar Reach Outdoors
- 24.10.24 Grandparents Day KS2 (2 2.30, KS1 2.30 -3). See letter for more details.

#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

- 5.11.24 Courtenay Reach Outdoors
- 8.11.24 Forde Forest School
- 8.11.24 Flu Immunisations Please see letters emailed home
- 12.11.24 Courtenay Reach Outdoors
- 22.11.24- Forde Forest School
- 22.11.24 PTFA Non school uniform In exchange for wearing non school uniform please bring in a cuddly / soft toy donation for our the PTFA Christmas Fete.

#### **DECEMBER 2024**

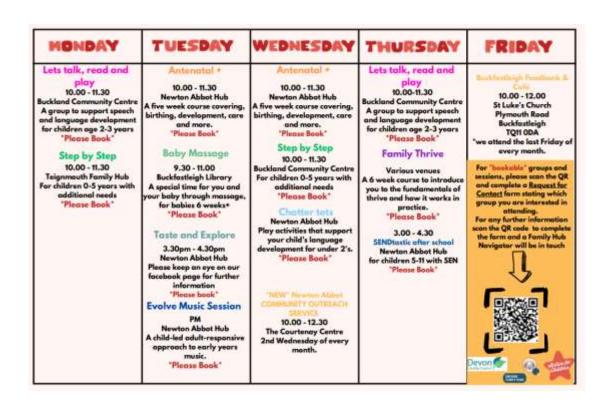
- 6.12.24- Forde Forest School
- 6.12.24 PTFA Non school uniform In exchange for wearing non school uniform please bring in a chocolate treat for our the PTFA Christmas Fete.
- 11.12.24 Christmas Jumper Day / PTFA Cinema Trip / Christmas Dinner
- 12.12.24 PTFA Christmas Disco KS1 3 -3.45 KS2 4 5pm
- 17.12.24 Nativity St Pauls Church PM
- 18.12.24 PTFA Christmas Fete PM
- 20.12.24- Forde Forest School

**FAMILY SUPPORT** 



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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



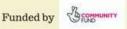
Food exploration sessions for children

Tuesdays, 17 Sept - 1 Oct 3:30-4:30 Newton Abbot Family Hub - Free

3-week group course for children and parents

- For children aged 5-11
- · Encouraging children who are food avoiders or fussy eaters to be more curious
- · Step-by-step approach
- Exploring fruit and veg with all the senses
- Colour-themed, we'll work along a food rainbow

Book your space via QR Code Limited spaces available - one child and parent per booking



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