



Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 13th September 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	96%
Courtenay	98%
Templar	95%

This week's whole school attendance: 96.2%

Last week's whole school attendance:

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 –
Brody – For making a strong start to Year 2!

Dear Parents,

It has been a busy week this week and the children have done a fantastic job of settling into their new routines.

This term in History we will be looking at Toys that our parents and grandparents played with and this week we have attempted our own family trees!

In Art this half term we are looking at the artist Valerie Davide and her charcoal drawings of animals. We had a go at using charcoal to discover tone – how we make lighter and darker tones by pressing harder, smudging and blending.

In Religion and Worldviews we are learning about the Creation story from the Bible. This week we discussed what Christians believe that God is

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like. Children suggested 'good', 'powerful', 'friendly' and 'creative' – to name a few.

In Maths the Year 1 and Year 2 children have been learning about place value – Year 1 children working with the numbers to 10 and Year 2 children working on numbers to 100. Please find linked work in their home learning books. EYFS children have been looking at the 'one-ness of one' in their NumberSense lessons this week.

We have started up RWInc this week with new groups and reading teachers. Please be aware that we are no longer setting reading homework online on Oxford Owl, but the expectation remains that children read their book bag books 4 or 5 times a week and Reading Records are signed. Please can we make sure that book bags are brought in every day, but particularly on Thursdays so that reading books can be changed and Home Learning books given out for the weekend.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe:

In our worship this week, we have been focusing on the theme of new beginnings, drawing inspiration from the Bible. This message of hope and fresh starts has been particularly fitting as we embrace the new school year. We are thrilled to see how brilliantly the children have settled in, demonstrating resilience and enthusiasm for the journey ahead. A big thank you to all the parents/carers for your commitment to ensuring children arrive on time, ready to learn, and in the correct uniform. Your support is invaluable in helping us create a positive start to the year!

We are Stronger Together

We are excited to share that we are in the process of developing our School Council, which will provide an excellent opportunity for our children to have their voices heard and actively contribute to the school community. This year, we are inviting children to join our Leaders of Change group, where they will have the chance to be part of important decision-making processes and lead initiatives that matter to them and their friends. We look forward to seeing who puts themselves forward for these positions, showcasing their leadership skills, and making a positive impact on our school environment.

We all belong in our School Trust

A reminder that Census Day is coming up on **Thursday, 3rd October**, and we are once again

encouraging children to get creative by designing their own school lunch! Not only will they have the chance to see their meal ideas come to life in the school kitchen, but they could also win some fantastic

prizes. Attendance is always important, but it is particularly crucial on Census Day, as the numbers recorded help determine the funding our school receives. Ensuring every child is present means we can access the full funding that our children rightfully deserve, enabling us to continue providing the best possible resources and opportunities for their education. Thank you for your continued support in making every day count!

In realising the possible so that all children can flourish

A huge thank you to everyone for showing such incredible enthusiasm and signing up for the after-school club opportunities launched this half term! It's fantastic to see all of our club offers fully taken up, with children eager to explore new activities, learn new skills, and have fun with their friends. Your enthusiasm and support make these programs a great success. We look forward to announcing even more exciting opportunities for our children in the next half term.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Week:

17.9.24 - Templar - Reach Outdoors

18.9.24 - Bibles and Bubbles 2.30pm welcome to our new reception children and families.

20.9.24 - Forde Forest School

Upcoming:

24.9.24 - Templar - Reach Outdoors

1.10.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

4.10.24 - Forde Forest School

8.10.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

11.10.24 PTFA Fun Run - Details TBC

14.10.24 Individual School photos (siblings from 8.30am)

15.10.24 -Templar - Reach Outdoors

18.10.24 - Forde Forest School

22.10.24 -Templar - Reach Outdoors

5.11.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

8.11.24 - Forde Forest School

12.11.24 - Courtenay Reach Outdoors

22.11.24- Forde Forest School

6.12.24- Forde Forest School

20.12.24- Forde Forest School

OFFICE NEWS

Do you have any spare children's dressing up clothes?! If so please donate to our dressing up corner! Thank you for your support.

Please can we ask that you check your child's permissions (for photos, class based activities and trips and visits). These can be found in your MCAS Account / Parental Consent and is a simple 'Yes I give consent' or 'No I do not give consent'. Thank you for your help.

School Photos – 14th October 2024. If you would like photos with younger / older siblings not in school please arrive for 8.30am.