



Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 27th September 2024



‘Building Lifelong Foundations Together’

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	95%
Courtenay	99% Well Done!
Templar	97%

This week’s whole school attendance: 97%
Last week’s whole school attendance: 98.1%

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**

Dear Parents,

This week we have been lucky enough to have our library injected with a much needed refresh with new books in all genres! We will re-open our library in the coming weeks – in the meantime could we request that you have a rummage around at home for any school books that may not have come back into school so that the library is fully stocked in time for its grand opening!

Our ‘Favourite Five’ books for Reception and Year 1 this half term are:

- The Gingerbread Man
- The Proudest Blue – Ibtihaj Muhammad
- We’re Going on a Bear Hunt- Michael Rosen
- The Koala Who Could – Rachel Bright
- Super Duper You – Sophie Henn

Star of the Week –
Georgia – for

working hard in all subjects

These are books that we return to frequently so that children build familiarity with the structure and the story. They are changed each half term and are carefully chosen to align with our curriculum throughout the year.

We have been very impressed at how well our beans have grown in the last three weeks – I think the children must be budding gardeners! Our Science topic this term is 'Looking After Plants' and we have been looking carefully at the different parts of plants and even made our own with modelling materials.

Mrs Perry-Bates felt very old in History this week as we looked at toys our parents may have played with such as Power Rangers, Furbies and Tamagotchis! The children looked closely at photographs and examined how these toys worked, what they were made of and how they may have been played with. Next week we will look at toys that our grandparents might have played with.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe:

This week we have been exploring the importance of trust as our school value. In our assemblies and class discussions, we've reflected on what it means to trust one another, to be reliable and supportive friends, and to show kindness and honesty in all we do. We've also talked about the trust we can place in God, knowing that his love and guidance are with us every step of the way. Together, we are building a community where trust strengthens our relationships, helps us overcome challenges, and allows us to grow both personally and spiritually.

We are Stronger Together

Congratulations to Felix for winning the school menu competition! His creativity and enthusiasm shone through, and we thought his menu sounded delicious. Although we did not win the overall competition, there is still an exciting opportunity for our school to win £1500! To be in with a chance, we need as many children as possible in school on the **3rd of October**, so let's aim for 100% attendance that day. Regular attendance is crucial for children's learning, as every day in school helps them build on their knowledge, skills, and confidence.

We all belong in our School Trust

Our School Council has been busy with their first official task of the year—judging the school menu competition! They took their role very seriously and showed great leadership and decision-making skills. We are excited to see our young leaders grow in confidence and responsibility. Parents, keep an eye out for more leadership opportunities coming soon, including roles as Computing and E-Safety Leaders and Play Leaders. These positions will allow our children to take on new responsibilities, develop important skills, and make a positive impact on our school community.



In realising the possible so that all children can flourish

We would like to remind all parents that you are warmly invited to join us for our Harvest Festival celebrations at St. Paul's Church on Wednesday, 9th October. It's a wonderful opportunity for us to come together as a community and give thanks. We can't wait to share this special occasion with our families and celebrate the season of harvest together.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER 2024

- 1.10.24 – Courtenay Reach Outdoors
- 3.10.24 – Census School Dinner Day – 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
- 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

COMMUNITY NEWS



FUN PALACES

ZINE MAKING
9.30AM-3.30PM

Using the resources provided and learn how to make your own zine.



Drop in, no booking necessary.

All ages welcome.

ZINES

Libraries Unlimited **SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER**