

Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 16th May 2025



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Class	Weekly Attendance	
Forde	96%	
Courtenay	98%	
Templar	87%	

This week's whole school attendance: 96.9% Last week's whole school attendance: 96.4%

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

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Please continue to read 4 times a week, and log this in the reading journal. Please practise times table facts with your child 3 to 4 times per week.

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children of Courtenay Class have enjoyed another exciting week of learning, when they have developed their understanding and made excellent progress during lessons.

In Maths, we have been coming to the end of our unit on time where the children have been using seconds, minutes and hours to answer problem-solving and reasoning questions about these durations.

In Art, the children have been making great progress with their understanding about the Japanese digital photography artist Mika Ninagawa, and they have now started to take their own photos of flower arrangements and create their own compositions.

Star of the Week

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Oscar P is Star of the Week for always setting a great example with his 'role model' behaviour and learning around the school. Well done! In PE, we have been further developing our cricket skills; in History, we have learnt more about the Golden Hind which Sir Francis Drake commanded and sailed; and in Science, we have been studying how light reflects off various surfaces.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Morton

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe:

We are Stronger Together:

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils this week for their outstanding efforts during their end-of-key-stage assessments. They showed tremendous resilience, determination, and maturity throughout, and we couldn't be more impressed with their attitude. A huge thank you also goes to the rest of the school for the compassion, encouragement, and quiet support they offered during this time—it truly demonstrated the strength of our school community and our values in action.

We all belong in our School Trust:

Our After School Club continues to be a huge success, and it's been brilliant to see just how happy and engaged the children are when attending. Whether it's enjoying games, getting creative with crafts, or simply having time to relax and unwind after the school day, the club has become a valued part of our offer to families. We're delighted to confirm that the club will continue next term, and we encourage parents to get in touch if they would like to book a place for their child.

In Removing barriers for all

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible PTFA for their tireless work and dedication throughout this academic year. From organising events to raising much-needed funds, their efforts have made a real difference to our school. Looking ahead, the PTFA will be welcoming new members from September, and we would love to see more parents get involved to help us continue building opportunities and experiences for our children.

In realising the possible so that all children can flourish

Finally, we're delighted to celebrate our fantastic attendance figures for this half term. It's been wonderful to see so many children in school each day, ready to learn and take part in all we have to offer. Good attendance is key to success—not just academically, but socially and emotionally too. Let's keep this positive momentum going as we head into the final half term of the year and make Summer 2 our strongest yet!

Inter School Competition

We're excited to be invited to take part in a special inter-school challenge! Winning entries will have their drawings or poems engraved on plaques displayed on the new tree planters along Queen Street, Newton Abbot – a prominent and long-lasting way to showcase their creativity to the whole community. Queen Street is a key walking route for many of our families heading to school or visiting the shops, cafés and local businesses. In partnership with Devon County Council, Teignbridge have been working to make the area safer, greener and more welcoming. Improvements include widened pavements, new crossings, 20 mph limit, reduced through traffic, new seating and the planting of beautiful Juneberry trees.

The Juneberry trees do more than brighten the street with their wonderful white blossom, gold or coppery coloured leaves, and lush berries – they can also support biodiversity by providing nectar for pollinators, and shelter and food for birds.

We would love for our pupils to take inspiration from the Juneberry trees – either by walking down Queen Street to see them in person or by reading our short Key Stage 2 fact sheet (school children of any age are welcome to enter). Then, we're inviting them to either:

- Draw their best picture of a Juneberry tree, or
- Write a short poem about trees (up to 200 words).

We ask for all entries to be submitted by Wednesday 4 June via email. A panel consisting of the Queen Street project team will then select seven winning entries from across the participating schools to be featured on the plaques on the wooden tree planters.

CLUB OFFERS: - ALL NOW LIVE!

SUMMER 1

KS2 Rounders and Cricket Fridays 3-4pm 25.4.25 - 23.5.25

KS1 Cooking Tuesdays 3-4pm 29.4.25 - 10.6.25

KS2 Cooking Thursdays 3-4pm 24.4.25 - 15.6.25

SUMMER 2

KS1 Cooking Tuesdays 3-4pm 17.6.25 - 22.6.25

KS2 Cooking Thursdays 3-4pm 19.6.25 - 24.6.25

KS2 Spanish – Tuesdays 3-4pm 10/6 - 8/7

KS1 Rounders and Cricket Fridays 3-4pm 13/6 - 18/7

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2025

MAY 2025

Half Term 26th – 30th May Non-Pupil Days 2- 6th June.

JUNE 2025

10.6.25 - 22.7.25 Every Tuesday 10 – 11 Year 6 Swimming Lessons 20.6.25 Whole School Paignton Zoo Trip 27.6.25 Sports Day - Details TBC (Reserve Sports Day 11.7.25)

JULY 2025

7 – 9.7.25 Year 6 Residential

11.7.25 (Reserve Sports Day)

18.7.25 PTFA Summer Fete

21.7.25 Year 6 Leaves Treat

23.7.25 Year 6 Leavers Service 1.45pm St Paul's Church

OFFICE NEWS

FACEBOOK

We have changed pages – please follow us at https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsLAP to keep updates with what's going on

Parking Permits

We have bene issued with new car parking permits by the Council. The permits allow you to park in Osborne Street car park for free at pick up and drop off. If you would like a new permit please let Mrs Webber know

FAMILY SUPPORT

Free online courses for parents

This means every single resident in Devon, Torbay and Plymouth can access the following courses completely free of charge:

These courses are for everyone who wants to be the best mum, dad, grandparent, carer that they can be. The Solihull Approach aims to improve emotional health and wellbeing by supporting relationships. The courses are written by Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services professionals with other health and education workers. They are evidence based and accredited by the Department for Education. Together, we are aiming to change the culture around parents' self-development, while improving children's wellbeing at the same time. A smoother home life is good for concentration, learning and performance at school.

<u>Head to the Our Place website to access the courses</u> – click the 'Start now' option and use the access code TAMAR.

Some of the courses available are:

Understanding your child: from toddler to teenager

- Understanding your child with additional needs
- Understanding your child's feelings
- Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Understanding your teenager's brain
- Moving up to secondary school for children with additional needs

If you have any further queries, please email d-ccq.cornwallanddevonsolihull@nhs.net.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Quick booking link; https://campscui.active.com/orgs/High5SportsCamps?season=3641743

Transition programme for Year 6 in 2025 at SPACE Newton Abbot.

There are two planned programmed events (see above).

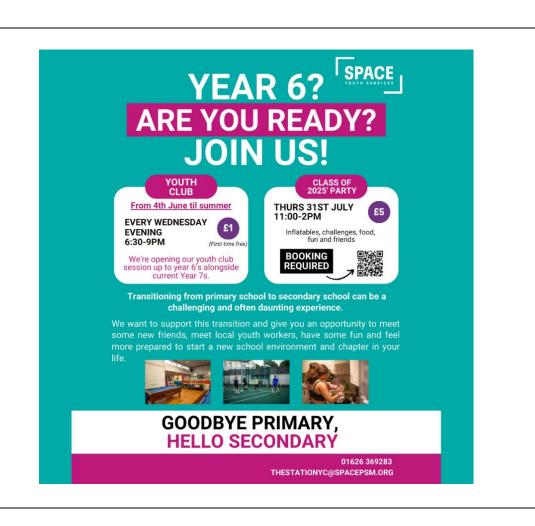
- The Station (Newton Abbot Youth Centre) is opening our Wednesday evening youth club to Year 6 from 4th June until Summer. This will be alongside current year 7s.
- There will also be a Class of '25 party for young people (Year 6) starting secondary school this September. This has been a really successful event that has been have held for 6 consecutive years! This will be on Thursday 31st July 2025 @ 11am until 2pm. This is a mixed session for young people attending any local secondary school in Newton Abbot.

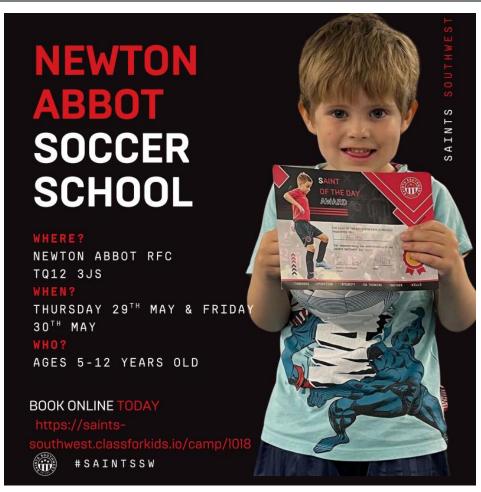
These projects and transition programmes are because we understand transitioning from primary school to secondary school can be a challenging and often daunting time for young people. Space helps with this transition and gives young people an opportunity to meet their new classmates, have some fun and help them feel ready for the new term. These sessions will be run and supported by experienced youth workers.

Notes -

- For youth club sessions we ask young people to just arrive with an emergency contact number. Following their first session parents will be sent a text to complete a registration form.
- Spaces must be booked in advance via QR code for the Class of 25' event.

For more information on any of our services please reply to this email or contact us directly. Space Youth Services | Unlocking Potential with Young People | Youth Centres Devon | Youth Clubs Devon | Youth Help Devon | Online Youth Work | Digital Youth Work







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Dive into fun with our children's swimming lessons!

Swimming lessons are available at Newton Abbot Leisure Centre and Dawlish Leisure Centre. We cater for anyone learning to swim, from babies (and their parents) to children and adults. Our swim school offers a safe and welcoming environment where swimmers can learn and grow at their own pace.

Parents, swimming is more than just a fun activity - it's a fantastic way for your children to stay healthy, happy and confident. And the best part? It's a skill for life, ensuring safety and enjoyment in water activities for years to come! Join today! Pay monthly with our Jam Packed Junior Membership, which includes great activities or you can Pay Per Term for swimming lessons only.



Scan QR code or visit: teignbridgeleisure.co.uk to learn more and join the fun. #StartYourJourney





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