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Newsletter 39 – 21st July 2017

'We think creatively and are brave enough to take risks.'

I am able to change and be adaptable

Diary Dates

Back to School

Y6 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y5 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y4 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y3 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y2 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y1 Teacher Year Overview Meeting with Parents

Y6 Visit to Sevington Victorian School

Y5 Visit to Sevington Victorian School

Monday 4th September

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Wednesday 6th September

Thursday 7th September Friday 8th September

Monday 11th September

Thursday 21st September

Friday 22nd September

INSET Days

Friday 1st September 2017 Monday 30th October 2017 Tuesday 31st October 2017 Monday 18th December 2017 Friday 9th February 2018

Headteacher's News

Thank you to all of you who managed to come to our Achievement Folder Open Afternoon; it was lovely to see the children getting quality one to one time with an adult. They were clearly very proud of their work and loved talking it through with someone.

We have to say goodbye to Mrs Jenny Thomas who has been with us for 18 months after only ever intending to cover a maternity leave! She has become one of the team and certainly has been committed to our school, always giving above and beyond her part-time role. We wish her all the very best as she pursues a career which uses both her teaching skills and her love of History.

We also say goodbye to Miss Kelly Park who has been covering release time in Y1 for a morning a week this year. When we saw her smiley face, we knew that it was Thursday! We will miss them both and thank them for their hard work and dedication to our children.

We finish the year saying farewell to the oldest children in our school. They ended their time at Courtney with a family breakfast (thank you to Jacqui Godwin and Donna Murphy for coming in at 7am to cook) and a fabulous leavers' assembly at which we shared the class' memories. We wish them, and any families we finish contact with, a bright future. Be the best you can be at all times. Be resilient when things get tough. Go out and make a positive difference in the world!

And finally, thank you to all of you who have supported the school this year either through physical help or through donations. Enjoy your Summer holidays and we'll see your children refreshed and raring to go on Monday 4th September.

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This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Megan Year 1 Oak: Hope Year 2 Ash: Lacey

Year 3 Lime: Henry-George Year 4 Maple: Connor Year 5 Sycamore: Alesha Year 6 Cedar: The Whole Class



Attendance Total 96.1%

YR Cherry 96.6% Y1 Oak 95.0%

Y2 Ash 97.0%

Y3 Lime 95.6%

Y4 Maple 96.2%

Y5 Sycamore 96.1%

Y6 Cedar 96.3%



Reading Certificates

Reading 10: Connor

Reading 20: Bethany, Rhylee

Reading 30: Rhys, Elliot

Reading 40: Corey, Marieanne, Liam, Oliver, Megan



Multiplication Masters

Wiktor, Edie, Amelia, Victoria, Rhylee, Adam, Marieanne, Alexander, Samantha, Bethany, Oskar, Thomas, Endry, Marcel



100% Attendance

Congratulations to the following children who managed to attend school for all of the sessions it was open: Ella, Mark, William, Lily-Mae, Caitlin, Amelia, Kelsey, Ellie, Haydn, Chelsea-Jo, Cole, Eva, Sarah, William, Edie, Dylan, Liam, Shayla, Connor

Brilliant Behaviour

As you know, we have recently overhauled our behaviour policy so there is greater clarity about what happens as a result of poor and good choices. Your children might have told you that they had an extra playtime with an ice lolly on Tuesday if they had received a gold sticker this term. Today in assembly we had a raffle to win a £10 WH Smiths voucher and any children who had received a gold sticker were included. We are delighted to announce that the lucky winners out of the drawer were:

Infants: Madison Pullin-Wynne Lower KS2: William Mottram

Upper KS2: Evie Grey

Well done to all the children who have tried very hard with their behaviour. We really have seen a change in the effort of some children and it is lovely to share with you and the children when they are improving and maintaining high standards. Having worked through one term, we can now make tweaks to our practice and keep the parts which have really worked well. It is an honour to text when your child has shown golden behaviour and very rewarding to give recognition to those children who continually make good choices.

Lego Raffle

The raffle was won by Cameron and Ruby (both in Y2).

Outstanding Arrears

Thank you to all parents who have settled their arrears. We still have a small number of outstanding arrears. Please can parents/carers ensure these are paid off over the summer holidays. We will be reviewing these over the summer and immediately before the start of term and we may contact you during the holidays about these. If there are still any arrears outstanding at the beginning of term, this might limit the activities that we are able to offer your child. Thank you.

The Rotary Club of Kingswood donated an Usborne Illustrated Dictionary to be handed to the Year 6 pupil who has made the most progress this year. We are pleased to announce that it has been presented to Bence.

Sparkling Starts for September

Get ready for the new term by preparing a bit of something for your Sparkling Starts display board. It can be a photo, some writing, a model, some drawing. Maple class set the bar really high by everyone bringing in a Viking homework. They have thrown down the gauntlet!

Cherry Class YR - All about me

Oak Class Y1 – Courtney Detective Agency, can you crack the case?

Ash Class Y2 – Courtney Detective Agency, can you crack the case?

Lime Class Y3 - 'Where in the World?' - a Geography topic

Maple Class Y4 – Where in the world?

Sycamore Class Y5 – Why was life difficult for some Victorian children?

Cedar Class Y6 – Why was life difficult for some Victorian children?

Out of School Club

Booking will be available for next year from 1st Aug 2017.



Recycling

If you are updating your child's school uniform over the school holidays, please remember that you can recycle their old uniform at school in September. All money raised benefits the school.

Books

Some of the children will be bringing home their school books today. However teachers have to keep hold of a selection for their review processes. If your child doesn't bring them home today they will do next year.

New Uniform Suppliers

We are in the process of changing uniform suppliers. From now on you will be able to purchase all the school uniform and bags from one



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supplier, Initially Yours. From Monday 12th June, you can buy directly from their website: http://www.initiallyyours.co.uk or go in to one of their stores, the nearest is in Kingswood. You can then arrange for the clothes to be delivered to you at home (for a fee) or to the store or the school. We hope that in changing to just one supplier with a shop nearby we will make purchasing easier for parents.

We still have some stock in school which we will be selling on a first come first served basis. If you would like to buy more uniform for September from the office, come and see us quickly!!!

School Council Tea Party

There was an amazing tea party that thanked all the helpers in the school that make the school nice and fun. Thank you for coming, have a great summer and please come back next year. Thank you for helping our school.

The School Council







Bible Holiday Club

Monday 14th to Friday 18th August

For boys and girls aged 5 years up to end of School Year 6

At Kingswood Methodist Church, from 09:45am to 12:30 each day at £5 per child for the whole week (£4 for other children from the same family)

Fun in the shape of stories, songs, crafts, quizzes, games and more, based on stories about the Bible character Daniel.

We would like children to be registered in advance. However, turn up on the day may be possible, but only if there are still places available. Registering in advance guarantees a place.

This can be done by getting an application form from, and returning it to,

Peter Shears, 16 Courtney Rd, BS15 9RG

For more information, visit kingswoodmethodistbristol.org.uk 373 1849 or peteshears@msn.com

Kingswood Methodist Church is on the corner of Grantham Rd and Two Mile Hill Rd (on the way out of Kingswood towards Bristol)