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## Newsletter 17 – 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

We committ outselves to ambitious targets at home and at school

Diary Dates

Road Safety Workshop Y3 & Y6	Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan
Y4 WOW Event (Times Tables Rock Stars)	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan @ 9.00am
Year R WOW Event	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb @ 9.00am
Year 3 WOW Event – Maths focus	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb @ 2.45pm
Safer Internet Day	Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb
Y5 & 6 WOW 2 – Mayan Curriculum & Safer Internet Day (E-safety recap)	Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb 8:50-10.00am (after drop off)
FoCP Spring Disco	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 6.00-7.30pm
Life Skills visit has been rearranged for 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	

#### Term Dates 2019-20:

Term 3 Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January – Fri 14<sup>th</sup> February; Term 5 Mon 20<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May; INSET DAYS 2019-20: Mon 24<sup>th</sup> February, Mon 20<sup>th</sup> July Term 4 Tues 25<sup>th</sup> February – Fri – 3<sup>rd</sup> April; Term 6 Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Headteacher's News**

There has been a lot of coverage in the news recently, of what children are eating at lunchtime.

A study by Leeds University has found that 98 in every 100 packed lunches eaten by primary school children fail to meet nutritional standards. I would like to think that this is not the case at Courtney; we do see fresh fruit and vegetables but we also see a lot of sweets, cakes and crisps.

Experts say:

- the "main event" should be something filling such as bread, pasta, rice or potatoes.
- Always add salad to a sandwich if you can. Rather than choosing crisps or foods really high in sugar, salt or fat they recommend healthier choices such as:
- teacakes, fruitbreads or fruit instead of chocolate or cereal bars.
- Plain rice cakes or popcorn instead of crisps
- Low-sugar yoghurt or fromage frais instead of full-sugar ones.

# We do appreciate that some children are fussy eaters. To help your child move from a limited diet, research shows that getting them involved in the preparation of their own food encourages them to be more experimental. Remember too that we have nutritious and well-balanced meals cooked onsite every day - and always with the option of a jacket potato and a limitless salad bar. Children who are in YR, Y1 and Y2 get these free and for £2.20 offers very good value for our KS2 children.

And finally, congratulations to the Dodgeball team who won their tournament this week. Very proud **D Wood** 

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:	Attendance Total 95.9%
Year R Cherry: Chloe N	YR Cherry 94.1%
Year 1 Oak: Hubert K	Y1 Oak 96.0%
Year 2 Ash: Bella-Rose P	Y2 Ash 95.1%
Year 3 Lime: Harrison E	Y3 Lime 97.3%
Year 4 Maple: Laila-Mai H	Y4 Maple 98.6%
Year 5 Sycamore: Dylan J	Y5 Sycamore 93.9%
Year 6 Cedar: Charlie G	Y6 Cedar 96.7%



# A child's healthy lunchbox



BBC

# **Reading Certificates**

Maisie-Ann J, Batoul F, Henry B, Tyler B, Ava B, Freddie S, Jaxon E, Aiden H, Harry Mc, Millie C, Lucia B, Holly H, Sarah V, Mitchell E, Lilly B, Samantha P, Ella-Mae L.

#### **Multiplication Masters**

Isis C, Cadi S, Maicie P, Liam B, Haydn C, Millie C, George B

#### **Sports News**

This week saw a Courtney sporting team taken to a new level. The year 5/6 Dodgeball team played in a level 3 competition. This meant having the opportunity to compete in the regional finals if they finished 1<sup>st</sup> or 2nd. The team had a shaky start and their heads dropped after losing the first match. However, the team showed determination and spirit winning their next two matches and qualifying for the quarter finals and then semi-finals. The semi-finals went to sudden death and 2 of our players made vital catches in the last few seconds allowing Courtney to qualify for the FINALS! We knew it would be a hard game, but all the team members gave it their all. Although we lost the finals, we have qualified for the regional finals. This was a very, very proud moment for myself, Courtney, parents and the children!

WELL DONE team Courtney! Thank you as always to our Parents, who stayed to watch each game and cheered them on through the nail biting and stressful time. **Mr Smith** 

#### The team:

Tom W, Shemaiah P, Oscar W Dylan J, Henry W, Samantha P, Kieshia B,

#### Library

Remember our school library is open every Thursday straight after school. Come and choose a new book and look at our fabulous new wall art.

#### **Friends of Courtney Primary**

If you have any unwanted Christmas or birthday gifts, we would be grateful for any donations that can be used at future events. Please hand them into the office, thank you

## OoSC

On Monday Afterschool Club will be doing Junk Modelling. On Thursday we will be cooking.

## School Council news

We have raised £60 with the Christmas at Courtney CDs. With the money we have got 3 shoe boxes and filled them full of small toys for children who are poor and don't have enough money to buy toys. We are very proud of what we have done for others. **Rosie Y6** 











#### **Recruiting – Clerk to Governors**

Courtney Primary School is seeking to appoint a Clerk to commence duties with effect from 25 February 2020. The holder of office will be required to liaise with the Head Teacher and Chair of Governors / Committees in order to set an appropriate agenda. They will then be required to take detailed, accurate minutes and type them up.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has experience as an administrator
- Is IT literate
- Is well organised
- Has good communication skills
- Is able to take accurate minutes at meetings
- Is able to maintain impartiality and handle confidential minutes
- Is able to attend training sessions during evenings and daytime
- Is capable of advising Governors on changes and updates in legislation and other requirements.

You should be reliable and have a flexible approach. Previous clerking experience is desirable though not essential as training and support will be available.

Start Date:	25 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	
Fee:	£1,200 - £1,400 per annum (subject to experience)	
Position:	Part-Time Casual Office Holder Position	
Hours:	Variable. It is based on 13 meetings (6 Full Governing Body meetings, 4 Resources Committee	
	Meetings and 3 Curriculum meetings) per year. The majority of these meetings are held at 7pm in	
	the evening. All meetings take place in term time.	
Closing date:	7 <sup>th</sup> February 2020, 12pm	
Interviews:	Week commencing 10 <sup>th</sup> February.	

For more information on how to apply, please look at the Recruitment page of our website.

# **Gift Amnesty**

Parents, staff and friends!

# Can you help us raise funds for

#### the school this year?

If you received any gifts at Christmas or on a birthday that aren't quite to your taste (or you got two the same) we'd love any donations that can be used as prizes or at future events.

#### Where to drop them off

Please bring your donations to the school office and they will pass them onto us.

#### Thank you!





