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Nurture, Inspire, Flourish.



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### Newsletter 20 – 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020

We commit ourselves to ambitious targets at home and at school.

#### Diary Dates

Safer Internet Day

**Y5 & 6 WOW 2 – Mayan Curriculum & Safer Internet Day (E-safety recap)**

Last Day of Term

**Year 4 Visit to Bristol Zoo**

FoCP Spring Disco

**Y6 Life Skills visit has been rearranged for 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Feb

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 8:50-10.00am** (after drop off)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 6.00-7.30pm

#### 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

This week we had one of our termly Full Governing Body Meetings and I was absolutely thrilled to be able to welcome four new people who all agreed to become governors at Courtney.

Our new governors join an already strong team led by Richard Morgan, our Chair of Governors, are:

Liam Halpin, Craig Russell, Peter Goodwin, Vicky Harity.

Historically, most schools struggle with governor recruitment so we are more than delighted that we have such a healthy number and with a range of diverse skills to offer to this leadership role. It should not be forgotten that this is a totally voluntary role which can involve a substantial time commitment due to monitoring visits, attendance at meetings, support with interviews and attendance on training courses. I am hugely grateful for all of the work that they continue to do for our school and your children.

It filled my heart with joy this week when one of the children at KS1 running club said: "I inspired my friend by encouraging him to come with me." It shows that our motto Nurture, Inspire, Flourish is well-established and having such a positive influence. Thank you to Mrs Newman who, again voluntarily, runs this club every week.

And finally, it was lovely to see so many of you at the Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics Lessons this week. One grandparent commented afterwards that it was no wonder her grandchild enjoyed coming to school so much! **D Wood**

#### This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Maisie-Ann J

Year 1 Oak: Megan L

Year 2 Ash: Lilly B

Year 3 Lime: Carmen C

Year 4 Maple: Zena G

Year 5 Sycamore: Lacey F

Year 6 Cedar: Kieshia B

#### Attendance Total 95.8%

YR Cherry 94.6%

Y1 Oak 95.9%

Y2 Ash 95.1%

Y3 Lime 97.1%

Y4 Maple 98.7%

Y5 Sycamore 93.3%

Y6 Cedar 96.4%



#### Reading Certificates

Indy Mc, Willow B, Rheo F, Corey H, Lily C, Alex P, William M, Dominik Z, Kamil S, William F,

Leia-Louise P, Lily C, Lacie M, Evanna L, Cooper H, Carmen C, Elliot M, Ivey C, Madison H,

Samantha P, Rosie T-S, Rhylee M, Bethany B



## Multiplication Masters

Brody C-H, Rheo F, Jessica G, Isaac G, Alexandra P, Carson H



### Year R

It was great to see so many parents at our Reading Wow Event for our reception class. We hope all the advice and tips from Mrs Matthews will come in useful when you are reading with your children at home. It is wonderful to encourage a love of reading from this early age. We hope you also enjoyed making the character masks - the children look very pleased with them!



### Year 1

In Year 1 we love to use creativity to inspire our writing. We have been busy using our imaginations to create our very own planets. Some grass, some volcanic, some frozen, some so diverse that I cannot even begin to describe them and even one underwater! We will go on to look at how to take care of our planet, linking to our big issue; 'climate crisis - I am not too small to help.'



### Friends of Courtney Primary

The next FoCP meeting is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3.15pm in school, everyone is welcome to come along. We still need volunteers to help at the school disco on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March to either help set up, help at the event or help clear up at the end.



Friends of Courtney Primary School have a new Facebook page to keep you up to date on all the latest events happening, please like us at @focpcourtney

### School meals – please tell us what you think!

We are looking at ways that we can continue to improve the food that we offer. We would like to know what you think and what might encourage pupils have to have meals more often. We would be really grateful if you could take 5 minutes to complete the 9 questions via the link below. Please do complete it even if your child doesn't have school meals. Thank you for your time.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/2R5MK9H>

### Wanted

Reception class would like some nut and bolts to help strengthen their fingers. If you have any spare can you please bring them into the office, thank you.

We are also after Pringle type tubes with lids for the children to make instruments. We need these by Wednesday morning.

### OoSC

The following activities will be taking in place in club each week:

**Monday** - Junk modelling masterpieces!

**Wednesday** – Arts and craft workshop

**Thursday** – Cooking creativity

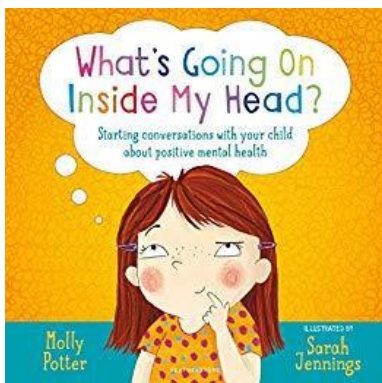


The extremely popular **Film night** will be returning on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February with the new **Lion King**. Book your places now as this tends to sell out!

OoSC are also happy to enable any children in club to do their homework any day of the week.

### Spare small fridge?

We are looking for a small fridge to replace an old one on it's last legs. Does anyone have one they could donate? Thank you !



### Healthy Minds

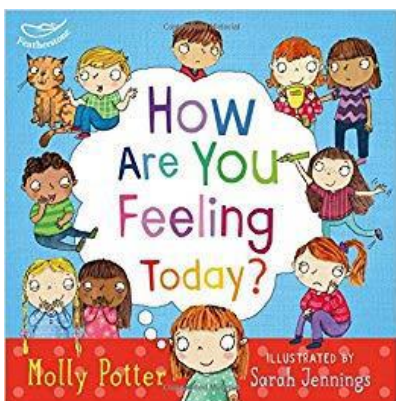
***What's Going on Inside my Head?* by Molly Potter, illustrated by Sarah Jennings**

**ISBN:** 9781472959232 **Format:** Hardback **Publication date:** February 2019

**Age range:** 4+ **Extent:** 32 pages **Other format:** ebook 9781472966254, XML ebook 9781472959218

We all know that healthy minds are really important but how do we make sure we look after our mental health from a very young age? *What's Going On Inside My Head?* is a book for children that explores practical ways we can keep our minds in good shape as well as our bodies. By talking about positive self-image, emotional intelligence, relationships, and mindfulness, this book will help

children develop healthy habits and good coping strategies from the start. Presented in a warm, child friendly but no-nonsense way, it will help establish solid foundations for every child's current and future wellbeing.



### ***How Are You Feeling Today?* By Molly Potter, illustrated by Sarah Jennings**

**ISBN:** 9781472906090 **Format:** Hardback **Publication date:** July 2014

**Age range:** 0+ **Extent:** 32 pages **Other format:** ebook 9781472961860, XML ebook 9781472961853

Children have strong feelings and they can't always handle them very well. Perfect for sharing, *How Are You Feeling Today?* Is packed with fun, imaginative ways to help children understand and cope with a whole range of different emotions. A great dip-in book where children can choose a feeling that relates to them and then turn to the page that provides child-friendly strategies for dealing with that feeling. Helpful parent/carer notes at the back of the book provide more ideas for parents to use with their child and other

strategies to try out together and practice the all-important skill of dealing with feelings.

## Community News

# FEEL GOOD FEBRUARY FAIR

**BRING THE FAMILY**  
15th Feb  
1-4pm

Connecting  
Kingswood

**Yoga**  
**Crafts**  
**Refreshments**  
**Petting Corner**  
**Facepainting**  
**Fun Performances**  
**Art activities**  
**Reflexology**  
**Quizzes**

**ALL  
FREE**

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## Rockleaze Rangers Inclusion Football

Rockleaze Rangers Football Club's Inclusive group offers weekly football coaching for children aged 8-16 years with physical, sensory or learning disabilities.

**VENUE:** Hillside Gardens Sports Ground,  
BS16 1QG

**DAY:** Wednesday

**TIME:** 18:30-19:30

**COST:** FREE

There are 2-3 coaches in attendance at each session but parents/carers are asked to stay with their children and are encouraged to participate if they are able. These sessions offer the children the opportunity to increase their confidence, be active and to participate socially in a group or individual activity.

To attend a session or for more information, contact  
Ian Loudon (Rockleaze Rangers FC Coach) using the details below:

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