



Resilience

Newsletter 2 – 15th Sept 2017
 ‘We are resilient and celebrate all our efforts.’

Diary Dates

New Reception Parents meeting – 2018 Intake

Y6 Visit to Sevington Victorian School

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Individual School Photographs

Break Up

Thursday 21st September 9.30-10.30am

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Friday 22nd September

Thursday 28th September 1.30-2.30pm

Monday 16th October

Friday 20th October

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

This week, I thought I would give you a brief overview of the many and varied ways in which we continue to develop effective Leadership and Management here at Courtney; we need to build on what we are doing well, and to work on our areas for improvement.

- We have had a Curriculum and Standards Governors’ Meeting at which data and monitoring reports were analysed.
- Our Senior Leadership Team have carried out early learning walks to ensure whole school consistency is developed.
- We have a new School Improvement Advisor who has worked both with our school and with our RISE Alliance partners.
- We have had the support of an English consultant helping to develop our leadership of writing.
- The children have voted for their School Council representatives; they will be our honest critics!

We are determined to be recognised as a good school and want you to have faith that we are doing the very best for each of your children before the school is officially recognised as such.

And finally, good luck to those of you doing the Bristol Half Marathon this year.

D Wood

This week’s Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

- Year 1 Oak: Brody
- Year 2 Ash: Piper
- Year 3 Lime: Dylan
- Year 4 Maple: Alexander
- Year 5 Sycamore: Ebony
- Year 6 Cedar: Kian



Attendance Total 95.7%

- YR Cherry 100.0%
- Y1 Oak 94.7%
- Y2 Ash 97.4%
- Y3 Lime 96.5%
- Y4 Maple 90.2%
- Y5 Sycamore 95.7%
- Y6 Cedar 98.9%



Lottery Fund Grant £10,000

Hot off the press! Courtney Primary School has been awarded £10,000 by the National Lottery Fund to finance a fabulous new climbing ‘trim trail’. This will go in the upper playground and will run from the scooter stand to the sandpits. The next step is to finalise the design. The school council will be consulting their classes for ideas as to exactly what equipment they would like to see installed.

We would also love to extend the trim trail and install some interactive playground markings to maximise the opportunities for children to be active at break. However, this will cost extra and we will be looking to organise a whole-school active event to raise money. Watch this space and get ready to get active...!

Reception starters 2018

Do you know anyone with children who will be starting Reception in September 2018? If so, would you like to give them a flyer about our school and our open days? We have produced flyers for perspective parents letting them know about our open days in September and October. If you know someone who might be interested in their child starting with us next year, please do come to the office and collect a flyer for them. Thank you!

Freshly painted school!

You and your children may have noticed by now that the school's white walls are all shimmering! The school underwent a significant redecoration programme over the summer holidays. Over the course of 4 days, about 20 volunteers came in and painted all of the white walls in the classrooms and most of the white elsewhere. As a result our classrooms look fantastic and are bright and calm learning spaces. The before and after photos below given you a small idea of the great changes that have taken place.

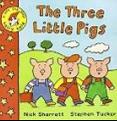
We would like to say a massive thank you to all the volunteers at the Smith Group but particularly Emma Comley who is a parent here at Courtney and who was instrumental in arranging the volunteers.



Year 2

On Tuesday 26th September Year 2 will have a visitor from Kingswood Heritage Museum. A letter will be coming home today with more information.



	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
EYFS						
Year 1						
Year 2						
Year 3						
Year 4						
Year 5						
Year 6						

This is an overview of every year group’s high-quality texts for Term 1. All of the writing opportunities and skills teaching stem from these books. As we progress through the year, each year group’s text will be added to this ‘Reading spine’.

Waterproof All-in-ones

The Reception team are developing their outdoor area and are in need of waterproof all-in-ones. If you have any that your children have grown out of please can we make use of them.

Out of School Club – Dates for the diary!

- Tuesday 19th Sept.** Board game sale: 3 board games for £2.00. All proceeds to go to OosC for new stock.
- Wednesday 20th Sept.** Movie night. Back by popular request!!!
- Tuesday 10th Oct.** Pizza making night.
- W/c 16th Oct.** Halloween craft making all week.
- 17th & 18th Oct.** Cake sale.

