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We maintain healthy relationships by being kind and by being assertive when needed.

### Headteacher's News

Good afternoon parents and carers,

Welcome back to T5!

I hope you have had a wonderful break and managed to enjoy the sunshine with loved ones. We are all pleased to be back with a spring in our step as the weather becomes warmer and brighter. We are at that point in the year where we start to think about and prepare to welcome our new reception children and always marvel at how far we have come! Our children have returned to school successfully and have clearly been busy over the Easter break with the number of children receiving reading certificates.

We have been really excited to welcome Miss Long and Mrs Britton into the Courtney community and have been pleased with how much laughter and enjoyment the children are having as a result of this in Out of School club. If you have not engaged with Out of School Club and are interested in your child attending, please do get in contact with the school office for more details.

You will see further down in this email, that there are details of a government scheme called The BIG ASK, a national survey consulting with children about their aspirations and concerns. There is also an opportunity for parents and carers to complete the survey so please feel free to follow the link if you are happy to be involved.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Keep smiling, keep shining!

Kind regards,  
Georgina Scott

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

Year R Cherry: Cali F  
Year 1 Oak: Max G-M  
Year 2 Ash: Hayden H  
Year 3 Lime: Demi-Leigh G  
Year 4 Maple: Indy Mc  
Year 5 Sycamore: Freya M  
Year 6 Cedar: Aiden H and Amy P



## Reading Certificates

Jenson W, Darcie B, Maya G, Darcey F, Kara L, Millie B, Amelia LP, Esmail R, Dani C, Ava B, Charlie C, Isabel S, Aliana G, Maisie J, Lacie M, Elsie J, Sarah V, Piper M, Jess C, Molly M, Harry J, Caiden H, Kamil S, Dominik Z, William F, Carson H, Hayden H, Hubert K, Lucia B, Kinga S, Evie E, Emily C, Isabel H, Madison H, Jessica L, Lily-Mai M



## Multiplication Masters

Malachi W, Chloe N, Nancy H,

## Out of School Club – New staff

We would like to introduce our fabulous two new members of Afterschool Staff:



Hello, I am Miss Long and I am very excited to be joining Courtney.

I have two lovely children of my own, who are 5 and 2. They keep me very busy and we enjoy baking, going for walks and days at the beach! I am also a qualified secondary school teacher.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first week at Courtney Primary and I would like to thank all the staff and children for making me feel so welcome.



Hello, I am Mrs Britton. I have 2 daughters of my own. The oldest will be 12 this year and the youngest is 9.

I have worked in schools since 2016 as a Lunch break supervisor, volunteer classroom support and with netball club. I currently work in school kitchens.

I love being around children and working with them. I am so happy to be part of the After school club team, I look forward to playing and having lots of fun in club.

This week, we have been learning some origami, enjoying the sunshine in the playground, making pirate crafts, and junk modelling some fantastic pirate ships and testing these with a float or sink challenge! We have some new games to try out next week and are planning a treasure hunt in the playground. We will also be planting sunflowers and watching these grow over the coming weeks. We all feel very strongly that the children should play an active role in planning activities for After School Club and they have already expressed some fantastic ideas, including movie and baking nights. There will also be opportunities for the children to work on any homework they have, including reading and Times Table Rock Stars. We are looking forward to meeting lots of new faces and planning some fun activities for us all to enjoy.

## Out of School Club – Needs games!

We would like to increase our resources for OoSC and we will be buying some new resources. However, we are sure lots of you may have had clear outs over lockdown. If you have any unwanted games/jigsaws/puzzles that are in reasonable condition (they don't need to be perfect!), we would love to take delivery of them in the office.

Thank you all!

## Parents Evenings

Thank you to all parents who have booked appointments with their teachers for next week. If you haven't done so already, please could you do this via Arbor. If you have any difficulties, please contact the office who will be able to assist.

We will be running the meetings through Google Meets although you don't need to have an account or be logged in to google to join. We will send out the links to the meetings on Monday. Please can you join the meeting 2 or 3 minutes before your allotted slot. When you click on the link for your class, it will take you to a waiting room. Teachers will let you in when they have finished with the parents before.

## Universal Infant Free School Meals

As you know, all children in Years Reception – 2 are entitled to free lunchtime meals. Do you know this could save you £437 a year!



## FoCP News

Make the Rules Day

Thank you to everyone who donated towards the Make the Rules Day. We are very pleased to announce we raised £188 pounds.

Virtual Easter Balloon Race

Congratulations to 'Fun Balloon', the winner of the Easter balloon race which raised £123.

 #1 Fun Balloon: travelled 726.55km FINISHED

 #2 Grandpa P: travelled 636.26km FINISHED

 #3 grandad: travelled 623.90km FINISHED

 #4 Cia Bob: travelled 617.87km FINISHED

 #5 nanna: travelled 610.71km FINISHED

Thank you to everyone who participated.

### Contact/Follow Us

Please contact us by email [chairfocp@gmail.com](mailto:chairfocp@gmail.com) if you have any comments/questions.

Or follow our "Courtney FOCP" page on Facebook (search for @focpcourtney) or @CourtneyFocp on Twitter.

### Menu w/c Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April Week 2

#### Monday

Cheese & Tomato Pizza

Stir Fry Vegetable Noodles (veg option)

Peach Crumble & Custard

#### Tuesday

BBQ Chicken with Golden Rice

Mac & Cheese (veg option)

Arctic Roll

#### Wednesday

Roast of the day with Gravy & Roast Potatoes

Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes (veg option)

Orange Jelly & Mandarins

#### Thursday

Cottage Pie

Vegetable Curry & Rice (Veg option)

Jam Sponge with Custard

#### Friday

Fish and chips with tomato sauce

Cheese & Tomato Puffs with Chips (veg option)

Flapjack

**Jacket potatoes (with either beans, cheese or tuna), Fruit and Yogurt available every day.**

## The Big Ask

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has today launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

All schools are encouraged to support their pupils to [complete this survey](#). A range of [teaching resources](#) have also been produced, including lesson plans and activity packs, to help teachers incorporate this into their lessons.

Parents, care leavers and those working with children are also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.



# Courtney Primary School – Reading Spine 2020-21



*“Reading is breathing in, writing is breathing out”*

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Year 1						
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