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# Newsletter 14 – 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018

'We set ourselves ambitious targets and dare to have big

dreams.' Diary Dates

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Health Screening Check for Reception	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January
Year 6 Life Skills Trip	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January
INSET Day working on the School Vision	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February
Y3 & Y4 WOW Event: Dance Showcase	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2:45pm
Parents'/Carers' Evening 1	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Parents'/Carers' Evening 2	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March

#### **INSET Days:** Friday 9th February 2018

Holidays: Mon 12th Feb – Fri 16th Feb; Mon 26 March – Fri 6th April; Mon 28th May – Fri 1st June; Fri 20th July – Fri 31st Aug

### **Headteacher's News**

A Happy New Year to each of you. We have started the new term with some exciting immersion activities this week, all linked to the quality text each class is basing their learning on: YR Cherries explored some familiar Fairy Tale-related objects; Y1 Oak found dog-shaped paw prints; Y2 Ash found aliens in their room; Y3 Lime discovered who Dudley was; Y4 Maple found wolf-like clues around the grounds; Y5 Sycamore dissected a heart or two (yuk!); and Y6 Cedar followed a trail of white feathers. Thank you to all of you who managed to fit in some Sparkling Start homework over the busy holidays - we clearly have some imaginative families who have interpreted the topics in such a variety of ways. These are now all displayed in the corridor.

A message was left for Mr Thomas from a supply teacher who had been teaching Maple class this week. It made us all burst with pride: "honestly the nicest, well-behaved and lovely children I have come across for a long time. A credit to you and the school." It doesn't get better than that!

And finally, as the parents and carers of children in Oak class are already aware, Miss Insley resigned from her teaching post at the end of last term. We are really sad to see her go and would like to thank her for all of the hard work and dedication she has shown to her job here at Courtney. She will be sorely missed by both the children and the rest of the staff team. We all wish her the very best for the future. Have a lovely weekend.

### Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to: Attendance Total 96.6% Year R Cherry: Finley Young YR Cherry 97.0% Year 1 Oak: Lily Coles Y1 Oak 94.5% Y2 Ash 98.5% Year 2 Ash: Evie Silcocks Year 3 Lime: Harry McMillan Y3 Lime 97.7% Year 4 Maple: Rosie Trent Y4 Maple 94.7% Year 5 Sycamore: Rhian McCrae Y5 Sycamore 96.6% Year 6 Cedar: Imogen Cordey Y6 Cedar 97.8%



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Learning together we can achieve great things

## Out of School Club

Do you have any toys from your post-Christmas clear outs? OoS club would welcome any donations. We are particularly looking for scooters and toys for older children. Thank you for any donations you can give.



