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Nurture, Inspire, Flourish.



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Newsletter 12 – 29th November 2019

We celebrate our similarities and differences and respect the rights of others.

Diary Dates

<p>FoCP Christmas Fair</p> <p>Year R WOW Event – phonics sessions</p> <p>Year 3 and 4 WOW event</p> <p>KS1 Performance Dress Rehearsal to grandparents</p> <p>KS1 Performance</p> <p>KS1 Performance</p> <p>Christmas Dinner Day</p> <p>Carols at Courtney</p>	<p>Saturday 7th Dec 11.00am–1.00pm</p> <p>Mon 9th – Fri 13th Dec 9.00-9.30am</p> <p>Wednesday 11th December 2.45pm</p> <p>Thursday 12th December @ 2.00pm</p> <p>Friday 13th December @ 2.00pm</p> <p>Monday 16th December @ 6.00pm</p> <p>Wednesday 18th December</p> <p>Wednesday 18th Dec 6.30-8.00pm</p>
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Term Dates 2019-20:

Term 2 Mon 4th November – Fri 21st Dec;

Term 3 Mon 6th January – Fri 14th February;

Term 5 Mon 20th April – Fri 22nd May;

INSET DAYS 2019-20: Mon 24th February, Mon 20th July

Term 4 Tues 25th February – Fri – 3rd April;

Term 6 Mon 1st June – Fri 17th July

Headteacher's News

One of the targets in this year's School Improvement Plan is to provide as many opportunities as we can to allow the children to work on their personal development. Part of that is to make sure that we develop the language of learning within the classroom. You may have heard your child talk about the 'Learning Pit' (when the children find an aspect of learning challenging but work through the feelings associated with difficulty until they get out of the pit with or without support) or 'Marvellous Mistakes' (when the children make a mistake but instead of feeling ashamed of getting something wrong they use it as a learning point for themselves and for the class). Please do feel free to use these phrases when you are supporting with homework.

Another aspect of personal development is to give the children opportunities to come out of their comfort zone and to learn how to win and lose. We are proud to say that we have taken part in at least one sporting event each week for this term – with the exception of the Kabaddi, which we reluctantly had to cancel due to a sickness bug sweeping through Y5.

On the last day of term, we will be holding a Courtney Talent Show. Again, this is for children not only to showcase hidden skills or talents, but for them to 'feel the fear but do it anyway'.

And finally, our lovely Mrs Belton in the office has become a nanna. Congratulations to the whole family.

Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year 1 Oak: Evie E
Year 2 Ash: Olly S & Kallum G
Year 3 Lime: Indy Mc & Bradley L
Year 4 Maple: William F
Year 5 Sycamore: Amy P
Year 6 Cedar: Ella-Mae L

Attendance Total 95.7%

YR Cherry 93.3%
Y1 Oak 96.2%
Y2 Ash 94.6%
Y3 Lime 96.9%
Y4 Maple 99.1%
Y5 Sycamore 93.4%
Y6 Cedar 96.6%

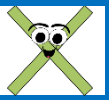


Reading Certificates

Kai M, Millie C, Mitchell E, Marcel Z, Lily-Mae D, Cadi S, Peter M, Eva R, Jessica G, Rhys I, Mia F, Sam P, Ella-Mae L, Bethany B, Cole A, Kieshia B, Oscar W, Freya M, William M

Multiplication Masters

Olly S, Finley Y



Striking Festival

This week it was the infants turn to show off their sporting skills at a striking festival. The children (Isabel, Hayden, Finley, Lily-Mae, Bella-Rose and George) went through various activities ranging from French cricket to golf target. The team had to work closely together to achieve the highest number of points they could. These activities were new to most of the children but they adapted well and were very quick learners. As always thank you to all the parents that came to watch and for taking the photos featured below. The next KS1 event will be in January.

Chris Smith, Sports Coach



Christmas Holiday Club

Monday 23rd December 7.45am – 3.00pm

We are planning lots of Christmassy fun including making Christmas cakes and decorations. Please return completed forms to the office as quickly as possible as places are filling up fast!

Year R WOW Event

Parents are invited to attend YR phonics sessions being held every morning from Monday 9th Dec to Friday 13th December from 9.00-9.30am.

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Next week we will be making Christmas decorations all week. Send your child in for lots of Christmassy fun!



Eco Club

Eco club will be selling tickets for a raffle to be drawn at the Christmas fair to win a fairy house built by Donna Bracey. Tickets are £1 per strip.



Friends of Courtney Primary News

Christmas Fair Saturday 11am to 1pm

We are still looking for 1 or 2 helpers. If you can help for an hour or so on the day, please let the office know. You should have received some Family/Christmas Hamper Raffle tickets this week. The winner will be drawn at 12.45pm in the hall during the Christmas Fair. If you would like more tickets, please let the office know.

We have 5 elf bags left at £5 each.

Please email Chairfocp@gmail.com

The FoCP are after any unwanted Christmas tree decorations/light.





*FREE Workshop

Introduction to Study Skills

Haven't studied for a while? Want to return to education in the future?

In a small and relaxed group, **this 3-hour workshop aims to...**

- Develop your awareness & confidence in a range of study skills
- Prepare you for further study options
- Introduce Learning Styles & techniques for improving reading and writing
- This course is also an introduction to the 8-week Preparing to Study course that will run from January 2020

Where:	Kingswood Civic Centre
When:	Thursday 5 th December 2019
Time:	12.30pm-3.30pm

For further details and to book your place, please contact Mark Lawrence, Community Learning Development Worker on t:01454 865943 or e: mark.lawrence2@southglos.gov.uk

** For adults aged 19+ with few or no qualifications; or experiencing other barriers to work. Please contact us for further information*



FRIENDS OF
KINGSWOOD PARK

Santa



in the Park

Each year we invite everyone to leave a Santa in the Park from 1 December to brighten up winter. Schoolchildren delight in making and fixing their Santa to a tree or to the railings. Families decorate a tree and leave a message. Do your own thing!

