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Newsletter 9 – 8th November 2019

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

Diary Dates

Parents/Carers Consultation Meeting

Open Morning for prospective parents

Non Uniform Day – bring a bottle for the bottle stall

FoCP Christmas Fair

KS1 Performance Dress Rehearsal to grandparents

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Carols at Courtney

Tuesday 12th November 3:30-7pm

Wednesday 13th November 9.30am

Friday 29th November

Saturday 7th Dec 11.00am–1.00pm

Thursday 12th December @ 2.00pm

Friday 13th December @ 2.00pm

Monday 16th December @ 6.00pm

Wednesday 18th December 6.30-8.00pm

Term Dates 2019-20:

Term 1 Wed 4th September – Thurs 24th October;

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

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

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

Term 5 Mon 20th April – Fri 22nd May;

Term 6 Mon 1st June – Fri 17th July

INSET DAYS 2019-20: Mon 2nd September, Tues 3rd September, Fri 25th October, Mon 24th February, Mon 20th July

Headteacher's News

Next week, the school council have helped organise a number of events to mark Anti-Bullying Week. Our Crown Value for this term focuses on celebrating similarities and differences and respecting the rights of others, which matches many of the themes of anti-bullying week. As well as a launch assembly, the children will be focusing their PSHE lessons on Anti-Bullying. At Courtney, we encourage the children to be "assertive" which involves sticking up for themselves or others without resorting to either losing their temper or putting up with something they shouldn't have to put up with.

On Wednesday, a group of our older children took part in an athletics competition. I wish to commend them for either winning their event, for persevering with their event even if they weren't winning and for fantastic sportsmanship. Judging your own performance against your own effort and not comparing yourself to others is a hard lesson to come to terms with - even for adults. Have a great weekend.

Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

- Year 1 Oak: Max K
- Year 2 Ash: Lily Ba
- Year 3 Lime: Elsie-May L
- Year 4 Maple: Zaila H
- Year 5 Sycamore: Caitlyn M
- Year 6 Cedar: Kaylee-Rose H

Attendance Total 95.8%

- YR Cherry 93.3%
- Y1 Oak 96.1%
- Y2 Ash 93.7%
- Y3 Lime 96.7%
- Y4 Maple 99.2%
- Y5 Sycamore 94.4%
- Y6 Cedar 97.0%



Reading Certificates

Bradley L, Lily-Mae M, Lily Ba, Kinga S, Hayden H, Tahlia H, Charley D, Lily C, Caitlyn J, Leia-Louise P, Harrison E, Mia F, Lily C, George B, William M, Carson H, Caiden H, Katie D, Ruby G-M, Jayden S, Aiden H, Jack B, Rheo F, Corey H, Hannah H, Sam P, Grace S, Rhylee M, Charlie G, Oskar J, Liam C, Ella-Mae L, Rosie T.



Multiplication Masters

Hannah H



Year 1 Immersion event - Narnia

On Tuesday year 1 went to the cinema! Not really, but it was like we did! We put on our pyjamas and watched the film 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe.' We had juice and apples and lots of comfy pillows to relax on.

"The film was fantastic. It was a little bit scary when the Queen shouted at the boy. We thought she was a good character because she was helping Edmund's character but we were wrong! We liked the bit where Lucy went through the wardrobe because it was so beautiful and the snow was so magical."

This is now going to set us up for some amazing writing opportunities in the term to come.

Holiday Club



We had an amazingly successful holiday club this Halloween. Record numbers of children attended and we had great fun carving pumpkins, making delicious pumpkin cakes and bread, having a bonfire, playing a dodgeball tournament and doing gymnastics to name a few activities!

Below is the date for the Christmas holiday club, letters will be coming shortly. We are planning lots of Christmassy fun including making Christmas cakes and decoration. Please return completed forms to the office as quickly as possible as places are likely to fill up fast!

Christmas Holiday Dates

Monday 23rd December 7.45am – 3.00pm

Eco Club

Eco Club need donations of clean tin cans (baked bean size) and also yogurt pots (any size). If you have any can you bring them into the school office, thank you.

Your Contact Information

Every couple of years we ask all parents/carers to update their contact information to make sure we can reach you all as effectively as possible. Next week we will be sending your child home with a print out of the information that we have about you. The sheets will be coming home in sealed envelopes with your child's name on. Please can we ask you to review the information, make any amendments and return to the office/send in with your child by Friday 29th November.

We believe we are aware of families where information may not be shared between parents. However, if you have any concerns about personal information being shared, please contact the office by Tuesday 12th November.

Friends of Courtney Primary (FoCP)

Christmas Card Project

Your child might have brought home some artwork earlier this week for the Christmas Card Project. To order, simply visit <https://www.apfsorders.co.uk>, and input the unique artwork code - found on the label on the reverse of the artwork (e.g. ABC1-987X) - and your child's first name and surname as it appears on the back of the artwork. **Orders must be placed by midnight on Monday 11th November.**

Christmas Fair Saturday 7th December 11am-1pm

If you have any unwanted items/gifts that we could use in a child or adult tombola such as games, toys, gift boxes, etc, please bring them into the office by **Friday 29th November**. If you could help set up, run a stall or pack away please could you let the office know or email lynne on chairfocp@gmail.com

The next FoCP meeting will be on Friday 15th November. Please come along if you are interested in helping to organise the Christmas Fair. Please sign in at the school office before entering the school.



Friends of Courtney Primary School

Christmas Fair

Saturday 7th December 2019
11am to 1pm

£1 entry per adult – Children Free
50p to enter our treasure hunt to be entered into a prize draw.

Santa's Grotto, Adult and Child Tombola, Bottle Tombola, Christmas Crafts, Tattoos, Hot and cold Drinks, Hot food and lots more!

Parentkind Member Association

Anti Bullying Week



We're holding **ODD SOCKS DAY** for Anti-Bullying Week again this year

Tuesday 12th November

SafeToNet

We're celebrating what makes us All Different All Equal this Anti-Bullying Week.

Pupils are invited to wear Odd Socks on **Monday 13th November** to support Anti-Bullying Week.

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and appreciate individuality. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler!

Donations of £1 will be collected to help the Anti-Bullying Alliance carry on their important work.

Share a photo online #oddsocks #antibullyingweek

From the School Council