



Curiosity

## Newsletter 16 – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018

'We set ourselves ambitious targets and dare to have big dreams.'

### Diary Dates

<p>Calculation Information Evening Y5 &amp; Y6  <b>Year 6 Life Skills Trip</b>          Calculation Information Evening Y3 &amp; Y4  <b>Reception WOW Event</b>          INSET Day working on the School Vision  <b>Y3 &amp; Y4 WOW Event: Dance Showcase</b>          Calculation Information Evening Y1 &amp; Y2  <b>Parents'/Carers' Evening 1</b>          Parents'/Carers' Evening 2  <b>Sports Day</b></p>	<p>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 5-6pm  <b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January</b>          Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 5-6pm  <b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 9:00-9:45am</b>          Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  <b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2:45pm</b>          Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 5-6pm  <b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>          Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March  <b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b></p>
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**INSET Days:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

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

### Headteacher's News

Mathematics is often the subject which causes the most arguments when it comes to homework. Nowadays, schools teach the four operations – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division – in ways that many of you would not recognise and using equipment which is equally unfamiliar. In order to maximise the home-school partnership, Mrs Westcott, our Mathematics Leader, has organised three curriculum evenings at which the teachers will go through the main methods they use to teach so that you can be in the best position possible to help your child at home. Please do come along; whether you're a Maths Whizz or have always found Mathematics tricky, you will get something out of attending.

And finally, congratulations to Mrs Young who has got a new job in a pharmacy near her home. She will leave a huge hole in our team but we will make the most of her for her last few weeks.

**Deborah Wood**

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

Year R Cherry: Audrey  
 Year 1 Oak: Rhea  
 Year 2 Ash: Edie  
 Year 3 Lime: Ruby  
 Year 4 Maple: Ruby  
 Year 5 Sycamore: Josh  
 Year 6 Cedar: Stevie-Jay



### Attendance Total 96.8%

YR Cherry 96.9%  
 Y1 Oak 95.1%  
 Y2 Ash 98.7%  
 Y3 Lime 97.6%  
 Y4 Maple 94.8%  
 Y5 Sycamore 97.3%  
 Y6 Cedar 97.7%



### Reading Certificates

**Reading 25** – Freya-Jo, Skyla, Kiesha, Samuel, Theo  
**Reading 50** – Genevieve, Charlie, Joe, Caitlyn, Zaila, Finlay, Lilly, Renne, Millie  
**Reading 75** – William, Evie, Madison, Caitlyn, Oscar, William, Jessica  
**Reading 100** – Megan  
**Reading 125** – Dominik, Aiden, Beatrice, Jack



### Multiplication Masters

Lauren, Jessica, Mark



### Attendance

Thank you for all of you who try hard to keep your child's attendance as good as it can be. Every day away from school means five lessons missed.

### School Vision

At our staff INSET day on February 9<sup>th</sup> February, we will be looking at our school vision. We want to decide whether our strap line "Working together we can achieve great things" is still what the school stands for. We will discuss what we want for our children in their journey through Courtney and what are long-term aspirations as a school are. In order for us to include the views from parents/carers, we will be asking for your input over the next couple of weeks so thinking caps on!

### Out of School Club

OosC will be having a movie night on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan**, the movie will be Paddington. These evenings are always over-subscribed so get your child's name down soon!



### FOCP Urgent Appeal

The FOCP (formerly known as the PTA) urgently require someone to fill the role of Secretary. This is a voluntary role and includes taking the minutes and distributing them to members, making sure all of the licences are up to date as well as contacting shops and companies etc for raffle donations throughout the year.



The FOCP has already provided a reading caravan, new ipads, sand for the sandpit, toys for the children to play with at lunchtime, toys for the Sensory room, music book stands, presents from Santa, discos, summer and Christmas fairs, a £50 donation to each class for them to use towards the cost of a school trip, thus reducing the cost to parents and the amazing 'Fun Day' for the children and teachers at the end of the school year.

***Without a FOCP none of these things will be possible and the children will miss out.***

We need 1 or 2 people to fill this role. Meetings usually last an hour and take place straight after school, approximately one meeting per term. You are welcome to use the Out of School Club for your children whilst at the meeting for a small charge of 50p (to cover a snack).

If you are interested please speak to either Kath Hodds or Angela Cordey or leave your details with the school office.

Many thanks  
FOCP