



Curiosity

Newsletter 15 – 12th January 2018

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

Diary Dates

Year 6 Life Skills Trip INSET Day working on the School Vision Y3 & Y4 WOW Event: Dance Showcase Parents'/Carers' Evening 1 Parents'/Carers' Evening 2	Friday 26 th January Friday 9th February Monday 5 th February 2:45pm Tuesday 20th March Thursday 22 nd March
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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

More exciting news! As part of our improvement plans, we have decided to convert the current ICT Suite; we are going to partition one part into a large group room and the other into a smaller group space and library area. This work will start in this February half-term. The library space created will allow the children be able to access both fiction and non-fiction books, and create an inviting optional area for hearing children read.

We do have some non-fiction books currently stored in topic boxes and we are exploring grants in order to fund the purchasing of new books but, as you know, they are very expensive. At the moment we do not have the space to store spare books but if you do have some quality non-fiction books you may otherwise be thinking of disposing of, could we ask you to keep them for us and look out for our request for spare books in a couple of months.

Thank you for all of your continued support in helping keeping reading a priority so the children can move from 'learning to read' to 'reading to learn'. It is super to see children reaching the 125 reads threshold – but also those who haven't yet reached 25 not giving up.

Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry:
 Year 1 Oak: George
 Year 2 Ash: Emily
 Year 3 Lime: Beatrice
 Year 4 Maple: Samantha
 Year 5 Sycamore: Lily-Mae
 Year 6 Cedar: Lily-Mae



Attendance Total 96.7%

YR Cherry 96.9%
 Y1 Oak 95.1%
 Y2 Ash 98.6%
 Y3 Lime 97.7%
 Y4 Maple 94.8%
 Y5 Sycamore 96.7%
 Y6 Cedar 97.7%



Reading Certificates

Reading 25 – Ivy, Ivan, Audrey, Ruby
Reading 50 – Dylan, Lacey
Reading 75 – Harry, Rhys, Peter, Oliver, Tyler, Archie, Harvey, Connor, Liam
Reading 100 – Beatrice, Jack, Imogen, Jessica, Lily-Mai, Lily-Mae
Reading 125 – Evie, Ashley



Multiplication Masters

Harry, Laila-Mai, Ivan, Shemaiah, Aiden, Theo, Ruby, Hollie-Rose, Lewis



Courtney Spots Kit

We have been able to purchase 4 sets of school sports kit with our sports grant. See the photo below showing some of our pupils modelling it. We are delighted with our new strip, embroidered with the school logo. The kit will be worn by teams at matches and we know that it will give our sports stars a great sense of team spirit and make them play even better!



Clive Pig Visit 9/1/18

Clive Pig (the 'Storyfella') came to Courtney Primary on Tuesday the 9th of January to talk to Year 5 and 6 about Mayan civilisation and everyday life. He told many stories about Mayan gods and people. After meeting Clive, we all did some learning and listening to stories about Mayans. After break, Year 6 stayed with Clive miming out three Mayan activities, while also rehearsing a small drama based on a Mayan story. After Year 6's turn, Year 5 re-enacted two Mayan stories (The Creation of the world and The Hero Twins). We left after an exciting day having learned so much more about the Mayans than we already knew.

Logan (Y5), Evie (Y6)