

Court Fields School

Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



Message from Mrs Matthews No space for me, and I have written to all parents today, so it simply remains for me to say a very heartfelt thank you for all your hard work and support this year. Court Fields has made huge strides forward, and we are very excited to continue our work, with your help, next year. Have a lovely Summer, and, I hope, a well deserved break. Thank you!

Thank you from the Safeguarding Team

The safeguarding team would like to thank our community for all their support over the last 4 months. We have been fortunate to be supported by lots of people and companies, to provide support for families during the COVID pandemic. We would like to thank Mrs Sutton, Mrs Hutchinson and Ms Poole for endlessly sewing bags and masks to support our staff. Mr Keitch for providing the NHS and local care homes with visors. Skipton Building Society for their kind donation of Web Cams to support our Computer Studies curriculum. One Team, Churches Together and Wellington Town Council for supporting the creation of Welcome Bags for our Year 6 students, as they weren't able to visit as part of transition prior to September. The Food Bank and Tim Potter have been amazing support providing weekly food boxes. We have also been able to provide some students with access to ICT during their Learning@Home. We would like to thank all our students and families for your ongoing support, these have been challenging times, but we are so proud of our students and the resilience and commitment they have shown to their education. We look forward to seeing you in September.



Safeguarding and Well-Being Support Over the Summer

Please see our end of term newsletter in which, we signpost many support agencies open over the summer. We will be monitoring our safeguarding email, if you have concerns for the welfare of a student, safeguarding@courtfields.net. If you think a child is at immediate risk of serious harm, please call the emergency services. If you are concerned over the welfare of a child please contact Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224.



Youth Community Project

During the year students from Year 7 to Year 10 volunteered to be part of a Youth Community Project linked with Citizens UK. They received training from Hero Austin (a former Court Fields student) and Chris Brossard, one of the local leads for Citizens Somerset, and took part in a listen campaign seeking the views of our students regarding issues in the local area. Students decided to take Fairer Fares to action, in which we were hoping to present a case to the local council to try to reduce the bus fares for students travelling to college, did you know it can cost £800 for students to get a bus pass to get to college! Unfortunately, due to COVID we were unable to carry out the action but students recorded their experience and views and this was shared via a virtual assembly on Zoom and Facebook on Wednesday 15th July. We are really proud of our students and their commitment to the project and we look forward to continuing our work next year with Hero and Chris and Citizens UK.



Big Bang 2020

On Tuesday 14th July many of our students took part in a virtual conference for their maths learning. The event was called Big Bang 2020. A host of guest speakers from the world of science, technology, engineering and maths were brought together virtually to give talks, demonstrations, answer live questions and give an insight into the work that is being done globally to fight COVID-19. The student feedback from the event has been brilliant, with students from year 7 right through to year 10 saying what a great experience it was. Some of the sessions covered the development of vaccines, social distancing lanyards, how it has effected pollution and climate change, the development of 3D printing PPE for developing countries. We hope to take part in this event again in the future.

Here's a link to the sections https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ApV7dJzcbOM&list=PLNltEfKiXfO3Y1uvjr_Xmxvzrh8vi6-L



The Big Bang

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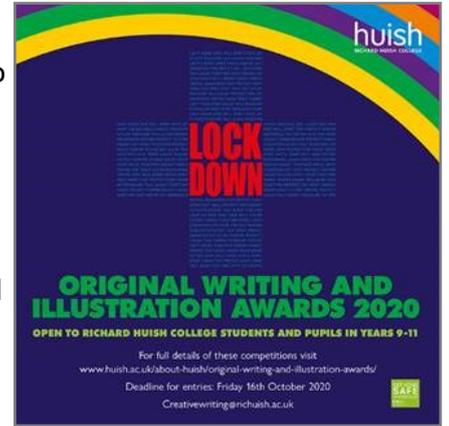
The Lucas Cup Competition

Richard Huish College are once again running The Lucas Cup original writing and illustration Awards Competition. It is for students years 9-11 and open to schools in the surrounding area.

The Lucas Cup, invites pupils to design a **poster using the title Lockdown**. The main criteria for the competition is as follows:

- Illustrations may be hand-drawn or digital
- The poster must be produced on A3 sized paper
- The title must highlight a *Lockdown*-related statement, figure or fact and the 'author' is the student's own name

The deadline for submissions for the competition is 31st September 2020. Please send your submissions to Mrs Binmore before this date.

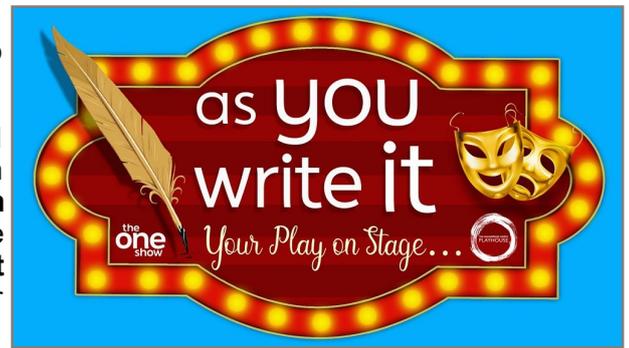


As You Write it! Playwright Competition

The BBC TV Programme, The One Show, are running a playwriting competition in association with The Shakespeare North Playhouse, called, As you Write it! The competition is aimed at students between the ages of 7 and 16 years of age.

Do you have a budding playwright in your house, or a child who loves both writing and theatre?

If so, this would be a great competition for them to get involved in and it's open to all children and young people aged between 7 and 16 years old. The competition opens for entries at **7pm on Thursday 25th June 2020**. The deadline for entering the competition is **just before midnight on Monday 31st August 2020**. So if you want to take part this would be a great summer activity!



All of the details of what you need to do are on the One Show website <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/1SCKS8VmFFGvyygqKbqGGyds/as-you-write-it-your-play-on-stage> Let us know if you choose to enter and keep us updated on your progress!

LRC News. Books of the week

The next two books for book of the week are:
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time.
Northern Lights by Philip Pullman

Recommended websites, with book reviews and activities:

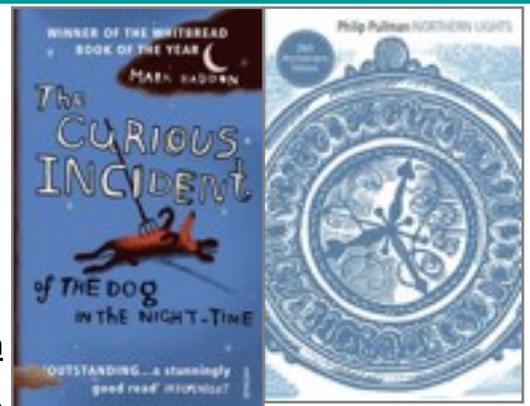
www.booktrust.org.uk www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk
www.goodreads.com www.worldbookday.com

BBC-Bitesize

www.jknowland.com—Read 'The Ickabog'. A new chapter every day!
National Literacy Trust – www.literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/zone-in
Family Zone the Premier League has taken over!

Listen to David Walliams www.worldofdavidwalliams.com reading a chapter of his books each day. Lots of other authors are doing the same on YouTube and on their websites. Search your favourite author to find out more! Look out for National Shelf Service for daily recommendations!

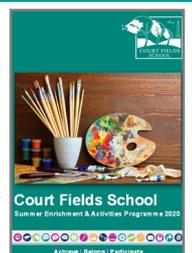
Don't forget courtfields.net. Lots of links including to our Reading Cloud site and AR. Post your book reviews and do your AR quizzes!



Summer Enrichment & Activities Booklet

Please do have a look at our Summer Enrichment & Activities Booklet, which has been prepared for any students who would like to access something to do over the holiday. The activities are completely optional, and can be accessed via the ClassCharts announcement, or via our website here: <https://courtfields.net/coronavirus-guidance/>.

We hope that you enjoy the activities, which hopefully will be fun, interesting, and provide something for students to do if they are at a loose end.



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