# Court Lane Schools Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have really enjoyed a solid half term of 'normal' schooling. Children and staff have worked really hard and deserve their half term break. School is closed on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November and we look forward to seeing you on <u>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</u>.

## **Sporting news**

Well done to the U11 football team for winning 12 out of 14 matches to come runners up in the U11 league, only losing to the winning team. We are proud of the way they played and teachers from other schools commented on their fantastic teamwork.

## Climate change pause week

This will be taking place the first week back after half term. Year groups will be participating in a range of activities and some are asking for items to be brought in. Please keep an eye on your emails/SeeSaw/Tapestry for more information. We will share the outcomes of this during the next half term.

# **Christmas shoebox appeal**

Further to the email on  $6^{th}$  October, we are pleased to be participating in the Wessex Rotary shoebox appeal this year. The shoeboxes are to be decorated and filled with presents for disadvantaged children in Albania, Montenegro, Moldova, Romania and the Philippines. Please bring your box into school on Tuesday  $2^{nd}$  November ready for them to be collected on  $3^{rd}$  November. Full instructions on how you and your child/family can participate in the scheme are attached.

#### **Harvest donations**

Thank you for the food contributions that have been flooding into school this week for the Portsmouth Foodbank. These will go a long way to help families that are struggling in very difficult circumstances. Thank you.



Both schools will be selling poppies along with other related merchandise supplied by the Royal British Legion w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> November after the half term break. These will be sold at the Infant School under the playground canopy each morning from 8.35am-8.50am. Junior children will be able to purchase these during break time. *Please note that unfortunately, for health & safety reasons, the children will not be able to wear the bracelets or snap bands in school.* 

# Applications for school places for Year 7, September 2021

A reminder that the Year 7 applications for our current Year 6 pupils have to be submitted to Portsmouth City Council by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.



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# **Dates for your diary**

1st Nov – INSET Day school closed

w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Climate Change Pause week

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Nov – Infant Parent/Teacher consultations

8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Yr 1 Fairytale day

9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Nov – Junior Parent/Teacher consultations

w/c 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Anti-Bullying week

17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Yr 4 Roman Day

17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Nov – Yr R Library visits

26<sup>th</sup> Nov – INSET Day school closed

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## More info

www.courtlaneinfant.co.uk
www.courtlanejunior.co.uk

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### Free school meal voucher scheme - October half term

For families in receipt of benefit related free school meals, you will receive a £15 voucher for the half term holidays. This will be emailed to you from Edenred on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October. All vouchers must be redeemed by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Please check your spam/junk folder if it doesn't appear.

## Military families

If you are a Military family, please ensure the school office is aware so that we can support you and your child.

#### **Head lice**

Several incidences of head lice have been reported. May we remind parents/carers to please check children's hair on a regular basis to keep this problem under control. If lice or eggs are found, treat urgently. Further info can be found on the school website under the 'Parents' 'School Nursing' section.

# Parent/Teacher consultation reminders

The booking systems for the Parent/Teacher Consultations are now live.

https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Court Lane Infant Academy

https://ptcfast.com/schools/Court Lane Junior Academy

# **Communications to school**

We are always keen to engage with parents/carers. Please be aware that our working week is Monday to Friday and given that teachers are in class teaching, we will respond to any query within 5 working days. Please don't be disappointed if you don't hear back immediately and be assured your email has been read and is being actioned. Please use class emails/Tapestry/SeeSaw for learning and behaviour queries. All other matters should be emailed to the school office who will direct it to the relevant person.

## Lost property

Please ensure all of your child's items are named as this helps us to return any lost items to their rightful owner. We already have a large amount of lost property left at school. This Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, the lost property will be put out under the canopy at the Infants at drop off and pick up for you to have a look through and the Junior School lost property will be available to view at pick up time in the large hall (accessed via the front car park).

#### **Term Dates**

# Break up for half term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

#### Half term

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>–Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

#### **INSET Day**

Monday 1st November 2021

#### **INSET DAY**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

# **Break up for Christmas**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### **INSET Day**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

# First day of Spring Term

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## Half term

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## Break up for Easter

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

## First day of Summer Term

Monday 25th April 2022

# **Bank /School Holidays**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022

#### Half term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

#### **INSET Day**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

# Last day of term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

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