

Court Lane Schools Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are so proud of how the children are throwing themselves into all areas of their learning and play as each opportunity opens up. We are of course awaiting further guidance from the government regarding the next phase of restrictions being lifted, but it is lovely to see school returning back to normal. We've had visits from the Science Magician and skateboarding sessions at the Infants. Each Year 4 class not only went on their first trip at the Juniors, but it was also an overnight residential stay!

Junior success!

We are over the moon to announce that the Court Lane Junior Dance Live! team came first in their Heat this month at the Portsmouth Guildhall, securing a place in the Junior Grand Final in May! Furthermore, we received the 'Technical Award' for lighting and video and the 'Creative Achievement' award for costumes. Well done to all involved.



As if that wasn't enough, ten of our Year 6 pupils participated in the Portsmouth Literature Quiz at the Mountbatten Centre last week and brought home the winning trophy! A special commendation goes to the amazing Team A for achieving first place out of 22 teams and a huge congratulations to each and everyone of them for their collaboration, hard work, avid reading and staying clam under pressure. Well done.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on 3rd March. Infant children are invited to come into school dressed as a character from a book. Junior children are invited to wear their favourite pyjamas in celebration of bedtime reading. The £1 World Book Day tokens will be distributed to children on the day.

In addition, the Infant school are participating in a 'Sponsored Read' in conjunction with Usborne books. Information will be coming home with your child. The Travelling book fair will be visiting the Junior School from 8th to 15th March, full details will be sent out after half term.

The School Library Service newsletter, with events for children to further encourage their love of reading is attached. Further info can be found [here](#).

Free school meal voucher scheme - February half term

For families in receipt of benefit related free school meals, you will receive a £15 voucher on 17th February. This will be emailed to you from Edenred. Please check your spam/junk folder.



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Dates for your diary

Mon 21st Feb to Sun 6th Mar – INFANT sponsored read

Mon 28th Feb – First day of Spring term 2

28th Feb to 4th Mar – Joint school theme week

Tues 1st & Thurs 3rd Mar – INFANT Parent/Teacher Consultations

Thurs 3rd Mar – World Book Day

Tues 8th – Year 1 Science Dome

Tues 8th & Thurs 10th Mar – JUNIOR Parent/Teacher Consultations

Tues 8th to Tues 15th Mar – JUNIOR Travelling Book Fair

Fri 18th Mar – Red Nose Day

Mon 21st Mar – Yr 3 Online safety workshop

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Infant School Parent Survey

Thank you to everyone who has completed the Infant School Parental Survey to date. We would appreciate your feedback so we can take your views into consideration when making plans for the school. Please submit your thoughts by 1st March. The Junior School will be sending a similar survey after the half term break.

Parent/Teacher consultations

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

Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March

Both schools will be taking part in Red Nose Day again this year. Children can have crazy hair and/or wear red for day. If you wish to make a contribution to Comic Relief, you can do this directly via the Court Lane [JustGiving page](#).

New lunch menu

There will be a new Caterlink School Menu when we return after half term. This will run until October 2022. Copies can be found on our website and attached to this email.

Year R, 3 and 7 2022 allocation days

The National Offer day for Yr 7 places for our current Yr 6 Cohort is Tuesday 1st March. Yr R and Yr 3 places will be allocated on 19th April 2022.

Provisional INSET Days for 2022-2023 academic year

The 6 provisional INSET days for the next academic year are as follows:

- Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd September 2022
- Thursday 24th & Friday 25th November 2022
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Monday 5th June 2023

May we remind you to please not book holidays in term time as they will not be authorised.

School Crossing Patroller vacancy – Court Lane area

Portsmouth City Council are recruiting a School Crossing Patroller for our school. Further information can be found on their [website](#).

We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Monday 28th February** and wish you and your families a happy, healthy and restorative half term break.

Term Dates

Half term

Monday 21st – Friday 25th February 2022

Break up for Easter

Friday 8th April 2022

First day of Summer Term

Monday 25th April 2022

Bank Holiday

Monday 2nd May 2022

School Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Half term

Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June 2022

INSET Day

Monday 6th June 2022

Last day of term

Friday 22nd July 2022

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