Court Lane Schools Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our pupils have had an exciting half term so far with a range of enriching opportunities. At the Infants, Year R visited the Blue Reef Aquarium, Year 1 experienced the Space Dome and Year 2 got into character for their Victorian Day. At the Juniors, we enjoyed our CLACA Film Night, along with a series of sessions for parents that will be continuing into the rest of the Spring term. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered and given their support to all of our events...there's plenty more planned!

Infant Parent Survey 2023-2024

Thank you to everyone who responded to our parent survey this half term, we have really appreciated your feedback. We will be reviewing the comments and key messages which we can take forward to help improve our school.

World Book Day

We will be dressing up as our favourite characters in both schools on World Book Day, Thursday 7th March. Each school will send out details of their week's events separately after half term.

Infant Spring Parent Teacher Consultations

The Infant School will be holding their Spring Parent Teacher consultations on Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th February. Appointments can be booked online using the link below before 23rd February.

https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Court_Lane_Infant_Academy.

Portsmouth City Leisure Card

The Portsmouth Leisure Card entitles residents to discounts of up to 50% at Portsmouth City Council facilities as well as some other services.

The Leisure Card is free and is available to residents who receive meanstested benefits within PO1 to PO6 areas of the city. You can enjoy sports centres, swimming pools, museums, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, Southsea Skatepark, and more.

For more information and apply online visit: -<u>https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/leisure/sports-and-activities/</u> <u>portsmouth-leisure-card/</u>

School staffing

This half term the Juniors have wished all the best to TAs Miss Pack and Mrs Bell, along with Miss Payne who has helped lots of children as ELSA. We are thankful for all they have done to support our pupils as they move on to new challenges. We are in the process of securing new joiners to start with us after half term for the extra support that pupils may need.

Both schools are very much looking forward to welcoming Mr Steadman as School Business Manager after half term.



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Dates for your diary

19th Feb – Year R Fairy Tales character dress up

22nd Feb – School Nurse parent appointments

27th – 28th Feb – Mary-Rose residential

29th Feb– 1st March – Nelson Residential

27th and 29th Feb - Infant Parent Consultation Evenings

1st / 4th March – Year 1 Portchester Castle visit

 $5^{th} - 6^{th}$ March – Warrior residential

7th March – World Book Day

7th- 8th March – Victory Residential

14th March – Year 5 visit to Weald and Downland Museum (Jupiter and Neptune)

15th March - Year 5 visit to Weald and Downland Museum (Mercury and Venus)

28th March – INSET Day

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Junior parent sessions

Thank you to everyone who has joined our Parent and carer consultations. It has been lovely to be able to spend time discussing your child's personal progress this week, seeing how far they have come this year.

Thank you also to Mrs Sandy for hosting an informative session about the Juniors' RSE curriculum. Parents who came raised good points for us to consider and we hope that it was helpful to those who attended. Do look out for next term's sessions on Maths and OPAL.

Attendance

From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. Please ensure that attendance is maximised as much as possible. If you are not sure if your child is well enough for school, our school office are more than happy to help.



Teach Portsmouth Jobs and Opportunities

Teach Portsmouth will be holding a Jobs and Opportunities Fair at Portsmouth Guildhall on Monday 26th February from 10am-2pm.

If you would like to work with children, young people and families this will be an opportunity to meet exhibitors, including schools, academies and colleges who have teaching, support and site vacancies.

For more information and to get your free ticket, visit: www.teachportsmouth.co.uk/jobsfair

Parking

We are aware that some residents have now submitted evidence to the police and PCC of parents parking over their driveways and behaving in a threatening manner when asked to move. Please show consideration and respect, parking legally.

We have also noticed parents pausing at zig zags to drop children off. This is highly dangerous. The zig zags denote the area where it is not safe to drop off children from so please do stop away from them.

Thank a school superhero

If you would like to thank someone in school who has gone above and beyond for you and your family, visit the Teach Portsmouth website to send your 'thank you' message,

https://www.teachportsmouth.co.uk/events/thank-a-school-superhero

We hope that you all have an enjoyable break over half term!



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