

Court de Wyck News



New Beginnings

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Our SEAL theme for this term is 'New Beginnings'. This theme focuses on developing children's knowledge, understanding and skills in four key social and emotional aspects of learning: empathy, self-awareness, social skills and motivation.

The theme offers children the chance to see themselves as valued individuals within a community, and to contribute to shaping a welcoming, safe and fair learning community for all. Throughout the theme children will explore feelings of happiness and excitement, sadness, anxiety and fearfulness while learning (and hopefully putting into practice!) shared models for 'calming down' and 'problem solving'.

Remember parents, grandparents and friends of the school are always welcome to our SEAL launch assemblies.

Welcome

We have welcomed 19 new children into our Reception class meaning that we have just one free space. I would like to extend that welcome to the parents and families of those children.

We have also welcomed Miss Doyle to the staff team. She will be leading the learning in Years 3 and 4 and joins the strategic leadership of the school.

Parents whose children will be starting school in September 09 must apply by 4.30pm on Friday 24 October.

We have sent copies of our prospectus to all local pre-school providers and I have shown many parents around our school. Please do your bit and pass on your good experiences of Court de Wyck to friends and neighbours.

Parental Involvement

Firstly I would like to say a massive thanks to all the parents who have attended our first two working coffee mornings. Their help in producing learning resources has been invaluable.

We recently welcomed Dee Wheatley from the national Training and Development Agency into school to facilitate a working party of parents to refine information gathered through our consultations to contribute to our strategic planning. The information received was enlightening and will certainly contribute to the plan. Huge thanks to all those who took part.

School Crossing Patrol

If you could spare a few hours a week to help our children walk to school safely, please contact Mrs Holliman at school.

If you and your friends cannot commit to a whole week, 5 person job shares have worked well in other schools.

School Lunches

A reminder that school lunches are £1.90 this year. The true cost is being subsidised by North Somerset to the tune of 27p per meal. All money should be paid to the class teacher on Monday morning and delivered in a sealed named envelope.

PARENTMAIL

Do you feel that you miss out on information from school?
Are you inundated with pieces of paper?
Do you check your email account daily?
You would benefit from joining up to our Parentmail service.
We are able to email most letters, newsletters and information sheets directly therefore avoiding any lost letters and missing information.
If you haven't already requested the service see Mrs Holliman or Mrs Carter with your email address.

Oh we do like to be beside the seaside!

The WOW! Day in Miss Kingston's class saw them catching the train to Weston Beach to launch their learning theme 'A life on the ocean wave'.

Donkey rides, sandcastle building, a beach picnic and ice creams were just some of the attractions for the children (and the adults!)

Pictures can be seen on the screen in the lobby.

Thanks to all the parents who came along to help.



Request from Mrs May

Some days we would like to set up the 'big' toys, sand and water trays before school so they are ready for the children to start using straight away.

We would ask that children do not go into the Reception outdoor play area on these occasions. Tempting as it may be!!!

Key Stage 2 WOW! Day

Miss Doyle's, Mrs Baldwin's and Mr Hudd's classes all joined forces to launch their 'Around the World in 80 Days' learning theme.

Mixed age groups explored New Zealand, Canada and Peru in some detail with some of the more intrepid explorers coming to school in national dress.

We try to hold WOW! Days to launch topics and engage the children's interest from the outset. We are aware that this short notice can be difficult for parents and are looking at ways we can get around this.

St Barnabas and Holy Trinity News

Sunday 21 September, 11.00am sees the church coming Back to School! Join us at CdW for our annual service to celebrate the start of the new school year

The congregation of Holy Trinity will welcome the Bishop of Bath and Wells for a confirmation service on **Sunday 28 September, 9.30am**

The Head's termly grumble!

Despite many reminders, several parents are still driving into the school to drop off or pick up their children between 8.30 and 9.15am and 3.00 and 4.00pm. This compromises the safety of other children and those parents who do obey this rule are right upset by these behaviours.

If you have a genuine reason why you need to drive into the school grounds, please see Mr Riddiough.

Dates for your diary...

September

21st Back to School Service 11.00am

October

8th Harvest Festival and Auction 1.30pm

22nd Parent Teacher Consultations

23rd Parent Teacher Consultations

24th End of Term 1

November

5th Term 2 Starts

21st Inset Day - Developing Key Skills for Learning

December

10th Reception and KS1 Christmas Production

11th Carols by Candlelight, with the RAFA band 6.30pm

12th Christmas Lunch

15th Carol Service at Holy Trinity

18th Reception/KS1 Party

19th KS2 Party

19th End of Term 2

January

5th Inset - Child Protection

February

10th Parent Teacher Consultations

12th Parent Teacher Consultations

April

2nd Easter Services at St Barnabas