

Court Fields School

What's Happening: Information for Parents, Carers & Families

6th – 13th September 2019



A Message from Mrs Matthews



It has been a delight to meet our new Year 7 students this week and to welcome back our Year 8s to 11s. Our Year 7 already look taller and more grown up since their Transition Days in July, and our Year 11 have made a fantastic impression as they step up to the top of the school. I have absolute confidence that they will secure excellent results in the Summer of 2020.

We're looking forward to a busy few weeks, with our Open Evening on 18th September, followed by our Tutor Evening on the 26th September and Year 10 Curriculum Evening on 3rd October. I hope to see you there and to be able to talk to you regarding our continued development of consistently high standards of teaching, our ambitious expectations for our students and our priorities for the coming year.

Thank you for the positivity and support that you have been showing over the past months. We know that we are on a journey, and by working with our community, we are able to do so much more.



Year 7

A warm welcome to all our new year 7 students. Over the past few days we have seen a fantastic start. Students have started lessons and took part in year 7 and 11 rounders on the first day which showed excellent team working skills. We are excited for the year ahead and supporting each students learning journey. Thank you to parents and carers for their support and to the students for their hard work and high standards this week. Keep it up! Mrs Westwood, Head of Year 7



Wellington Flower Show Winners!

Congratulations to two of our students, Ellie and Shannon PK, who competed in the Wellington Flower Show over the summer holidays, and won a silver cup on behalf of Court Fields. Well done, it's great to see our students participating in local community activities.

"On Saturday 31st of August, we attended Wellington Flower Show. The flower show has been running for 85 years in the town. Both our parents are on the committee for the show and we help out on the day too giving support where needed.

There are lots of different categories that you can enter; such as Cookery, Floral Art, cut flowers and pot plants, fruit and vegetables, Art and crafts for all ages and photography; so there really is something for everyone! This year the numbers for the children's cookery and arts and crafts were quite low so we would like for more to enter next year to support the show.

It was close, but we were lucky enough to win the schools cup for Court Fields this year! We entered some things such as, an arrangement of flowers in a jam jar, drawing your future self, designing a poster for the show, selfies and cooking."

Ellie and Shannon PK, Court Fields students








Maths



As part of the homework that is set for maths, that is vital to consolidate and extend learning, we will sometimes be using a new feature of Hegarty Maths called 'Memri'. We will also be using the participation and engagement in this as a house competition. Your child's teachers will let you know when the first round of the Memri challenge will start!

Mrs Hutchinson, Head of Maths

Sports & PE Clubs					
Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime 1:35 – 2:10	Year 7/8 Futsal Year 10/11 Basketball	Year 9/10 Girls' Basketball	Year 7/8 Girls Futsal	Year 9/10 Futsal KS3 Dodgeball	Year 7/8 Girls Basketball Year 9/10 Girls' Futsal
After School 3:25 - 4:25	All Years Badminton All Years #GirlPower	Year 7/8 Girls' Rugby Year 9/10 Girls' Rugby	Year 7 Rugby Year 8 Rugby Year 9 Rugby All Years Badminton Fixtures		Staff and Year 11 Futsal

Uniform

Thank you for all your support with uniform. It is really important that students adhere to our published uniform policy, which is available on the website here: courtfIELDS.net/category/information-for-parents. Details were also sent out in the Parent Bulletin at the end of the Summer Term. Our smart uniform helps to promote a pride in the school, which many of you have said is so important for our students. Tutors will be in contact regarding any uniform issues and we thank you for your support in ensuring all students are in the correct uniform each day.

Shoes are a key area, so we have also included pictures on the internet of the correct and incorrect shoes for school. We have made some concessions as regard shoes, as you will see, but we are not able to accept trainers of any sort.

Shoes should be plain black (with black soles) and polishable. They should not be suede or canvas. Boots, heeled shoes, trainers or 'Converse-style' shoes are not acceptable. 'Vans-style' leather shoes are acceptable. In the past we have not allowed students to wear Patent leather shoes, however we have reviewed this due to the growing number of very smart patent shoes available. In line with this, students are now allowed wear plain black patent shoes.

Late to school

The punctuality of the vast majority of our students is excellent, but we do have students who are late to school with no clear reason. Punctuality is a vital life skills and in order to address this effectively we have clarified our processes regarding lates.

If a student is late to school they will be issued with an S1, with an automatic, same-day break detention of 15 minutes. Should they fail to attend, this will be escalated to an S2, 30 minute lunch detention. We have introduced a second bell at 8.40am to signal the official start of Tutor Time. Students must be in their Tutor Base (or other location by prior arrangement) by this bell. If not, they will be marked as late.

Events this week and Coming Soon

9 th September	Year 7,9 & 11 Photos
18 th September	Early finish at 2pm for Open Evening, Open Evening 6-8pm (for prospective parents of Key Stage 2 pupils)
25 th September	Tutor evening, all years 4-7pm (booking for all parents from 13 th September)
2 nd October	Year 10 Curriculum Evening (booking for Y10 parents from 20 th September)

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