

Court Fields School

What's Happening: Information for Parents, Carers & Families
9th to 15th March 2020



A Message from Mrs Matthews

I have been very fortunate this week to have undertaken some fantastic activities with our lovely students: visiting the Monument for the naming ceremony of Police Horse 'Wellington' and judging the Year 9 History Museum Project, as well as the normal duties and visits to lessons. As always I'm reminded how very lucky I am to be working at Court Fields. Thank you to you for your support, and to our staff and students for continuing to help Court Fields improve.



Climate Change Protest Bristol



A number of our students attended the Climate Change Protest in Bristol. Some of the students were asked to write about their experience of taking part in this event.

Dylan B said "On Friday I joined 30,000 other people who attended the climate protest in Bristol. Finally Greta Thunberg made her speech, it was about how the children have to stand up and 'be adults in the room.' It is crazy when you think one 17 year old girl can make so many millions of people try and help our planet."

A Horse called Wellington



A ceremony, hosted by Avon and Somerset Police and National Trust, took place to rename a police horse; "Wellington". The public event took place at the Monument. A parade made up of local school children, the Mayor and other VIPs joined the ceremony at the Monument where the horse was formally named. Wellington will become an important member of Avon and Somerset police force.



Trip forms and contact details

In response to parental feedback, our EV5 form (general school trip contact and medical form) should only need to be completed once a year, in September, except where the trip/activity is overseas, residential or adventurous. On these occasions, we would always ask for a new form to be completed. If we do not hold a completed EV5 form on file from September 2019, we would ask that you complete one. The EV6 form covers day trips during school hours, within Somerset, and for local school sporting fixtures. We do ask parents to update us with any changes to medical information, including allergies, and any change in contact details throughout the year, so we keep up to date information. To advise of changes, please call Reception on 01823 664201, or email the Front Office, who will update student records. As most of our communication with parents is by email rather than post, please let us know if you change your email address, or ask us to add your email address, so we can communicate with you in a quicker and more efficient way.

The Maths Challenge - Winners!

Well done to everyone who competed in the times table challenge. We were really impressed with those who took part, your times table knowledge is excellent! The winners have now been announced. Congratulations everyone! Year 7 winners were: Evie W, Josie S, Toby B. Year 8 winners were: Jennifer S, Marie S, Ollie H. Year 9 winners were: Riley R, Teagan B, Leo C

Information for Year 9 Parents

A reminder that the following Year Nine students - 9b/ad3, 9a/ad2, 9b/ad2 and 9a/ad3 – will be working on an Art Project on 'Issues'. As part of the project students will be doing their own research which will include looking for images to support their chosen issues. These will include things like terrorism, war, mental health, drug abuse, poverty and I am sure many, many more. Please contact Mrs Binmore should you have any concerns

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Information for Year 11 Parents

Past papers, 'how to' instructions, and exemplar materials for English have been shared with all year 11 students via both Class-charts and Google Drive. Students should download them and use them for revision purposes over the next few months. If any students cannot access them please contact your English teacher as soon as possible.

Coronavirus Update

In line with Department of Education and Public Health England guidance, a communication to update parents about Coronavirus will be sent out to all parents shortly. The Department for Education have a helpline open 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, to answer questions about Coronavirus. Parents and young people can contact the helpline: **Phone:** 0800 046 8687. **Email:** DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk Rolling updates are also on our website. <https://courtfIELDS.net/coronavirus-guidance/>

First Aid and Medication

As a reminder we are able to support students who feel unwell at break and lunch in the first aid room in B block. If you have given permission in writing, we can provide paracetamol. If your child requires any prescribed medication please bring to main reception for a form to be completed by yourself and our first aid team will ensure the medication is dispensed

Hydrographic Office – STEM Team lecture



The STEM team at the UK Hydrographic Office are holding an evening lecture at Queen's College on Tuesday 10 March, 7pm, Queens Hall, Taunton. This is a free, family friendly lecture from UK Hydrographic Office experts on how sound can influence the marine environment. The event is part of the British Science Week and it's been designed to be interactive, family-friendly and fun, centered around the facts and physics that affect the inhabitants of marine environment. To book tickets you can call 01823 340 880 or go to <https://bookings.queenscollege.org.uk>

Being Kind online

National Online Safety have released a download on their website relating to being kind to others online. The information has been created by mental health and wellbeing experts and discussed what Empathy is, how to offer help and how actions can impact others. The link has great tips for parents and can be accessed via the following link <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2020/i-am-parent-or-carer/film-how-can-parents-talk-children>



Information from Somerset County Council

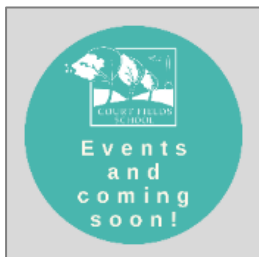
Please can you share this important information for all parent carers of Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND).

A joint Ofsted and Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection is taking place next week, (9-13 March 2020). We have become aware of a technical error resulting in all parents of children and young people with Education, Health and Care Plans receiving a letter outlining a visit by inspectors to their child's educational setting. We apologise for any confusion and anxiety this may have caused.

This letter should only have been received by a small number of parents. Please be assured that no personal details have been shared inappropriately. Parents of children and young people, in settings which will be visited by the inspection team, will have received a detailed letter from their education setting informing them of the visit arrangements. If you have not received any notification from your child's education setting of a visit then the setting will not be involved in this part of the inspection process.

To find out more about the inspection, and how to get involved, please visit:

<https://choices.somerset.gov.uk/025/how-can-you-get-involved-and-have-your-say/>



Events this week, and coming soon	
12 March	Year 8 Parents Evening, 4pm
13 March	Non-Uniform for Sport Relief Day (items of sporty clothing)
24 to 26 March	School play - Oliver
02 April	Year 11 Parents Evening
03 April	INSET Day
6 to 17 April	HALF TERM

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