



COURTNEY TIMES

Nurture, Inspire, Flourish.

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TERM 3 - WEEK 2

Welcome back to 2024. We hope that your Christmas break with loved ones was a positive one and that all of the delicious food is acting as a layer of insulation as we get into the colder days.

We have loved welcoming the children back into school and have been impressed with their level of resilience having had a wonderful time with their loved ones. It is often common for our children to be anxious to leave parents and carers after the break and particularly the longer two-week breaks. Many of us can feel the same returning to work after a holiday/time off. It is helpful to remain consistent with routines, offer reassurance and to leave children promptly to ensure they are able to adjust to you no longer being there. We, as a school, will then support your child to settle. We would never leave them upset for a sustained period of time without contacting you after drop off.

This term is a short one but as ever, a busy one. During the term we will have our school census. The school census is something that every school has happen every year. Each census has a different purpose for the school and ultimately it brings in revenue, we wanted to update you on these details to help explain why we encourage your child/children to have school dinners.

Please see school census details in the further communication attached, to explain what the census is about.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Keep smiling, keep shining!

Ms Scott

Events This Week...

(W/C 8th Jan)

Monday 8th	
Tuesday 9th	Parents Evening - 3:30pm-5:00pm
Wednesday 10th	
Thursday 11th	Parents Evening - 3:30pm-7:00pm
Friday 12th	Year 3 School Trip - Bristol Museum

Events Next Week - (w/c 15thJan)

Monday	
Tuesday	School Meal Taster Day - 3:15pm
Wednesday	
Thursday	Census Day (menu change)
Friday	

Key Dates

Parents evening - 9th January - 3:30pm-5:00pm
 Parents evening –11th January - 3:30pm-7:00pm
 Census day—18th January (menu change)

ATTENDANCE

Below is an update on the current attendance scores for each class, well done everyone!

Attendance should be above 96% for each child.

Current scores per class are:

Reception	91.0%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	95.4%
Year 3	95.3%
Year 4	95.2%
Year 5	95.4%
Year 6	94.3%

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Term 3 Attendance competition

The winning class will win a non uniform day during term 4.

Courtney Crown Value Certificates (8th Dec)

Year 1 - Lucia
Year 2 - Taya
Year 3 - Zoe
Year 4 - Ava
Year 5 - Max K
Year 6 - Lily Rose

Well Done everyone!

TERM DATES

To assist parent/carers to book holidays and arrange other events, please find detailed below the term and inset dates for this academic year:

Term 3: Tuesday 2nd January 2024 to
Friday 9th February 2024

Term 4: Monday 19^h February 2024 to Friday
28st March 2024

Term 5: Monday 15th April 2024 to Friday 24th
May 2024

Term 6: Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 23th
July 2024

INSET DATES

Thursday 28th March

Clubs

Term 3 sports clubs will commence from 8th January.

Monday - Year 5/6 Football

Choir club (4pm finish)

Tuesday - Key stage 2 Netball

Colouring club

Thursday - Year 1/2 Multi-sports

Friday - Year 3/4 Multi-sports

These clubs will finish at 4:15pm and you will need to collect your children from the school office.

Staff updates

We are pleased to share that we will have Mrs Nicholls teaching Cherry class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for all of Term 3.

Census Day

Menu Change

Thursday 18th January

Hotdog or Quorn Hotdog

with

Chips

BBQ Beans

Sweetcorn

Chocolate Brownie

Please see attached document with more information on Census Day.

School Meal Taster Day

Tuesday 9th January

We are inviting all families to our school meal tasting event. This will be in the school hall at 3:15pm.

Please come along to see what school meals we offer and to have a try!

A message from Miss Mundy...

Happy New Term Lime Class. We have started our new Enquiry topic of Ancient Egypt. This links with our new text 'The Egyptian Cinderella.' We will be creating an innovated story from this.

In maths our focus is now multiplication and division.

Music starts with a look at the history of music including a study of instruments used in Ancient Egypt.

In RE we carry on with learning about Christianity. Our PSHE topic is 'Dreams and Goals.'

We are so excited about our trip to the museum on Friday 12th. Please remember that full school uniform is required along with a packed lunch.

THE EGYPTIAN CINDERELLA

by Shirley Climo • illustrated by Ruth Heller



Happy
New year

from all at Courtney Primary School