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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers,

*Welcome to all the children that have started in our Reception class. We hope you will be very happy at Courtland School!*

*There will be a Phonics meeting at 9.00am for all Reception class parents/carers on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October where you will be given information regarding how you can help your child to learn phonics. There will also be a reading meeting on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Both meetings will take place in the hall straight after drop off, please make every effort to attend both meetings.*

*We have been asked by our local Police Community Support Officer to remind parents and carers about parking and driving safely and considerately around the School, in particular Hankins Lane. Parents/Carers should not be driving up Hankins Lane to drop children at the school gate. This causes unnecessary congestion and is dangerous to other children as the road is very narrow. We have already received a complaint from a neighbour of the school regarding a parent who blocked a driveway, and also another parent who parked on the corner, as well as reversed around this corner. Please allow enough time for your journey to school to enable you to park safely. We are grateful for your continued co-operation in making the surrounding streets safe for all our children and parents/carers.*

*Miss Lisa Walker*

***Our SEAL theme for this half term is "New Beginnings"***

***Our thought for this week is***

***"The only person you should try to be better than, is the person you were yesterday."***

*Congratulations to Noah Gray who was recorded in the Golden Book for outstanding work.*

*Congratulations to Macie Hughes who was awarded her stage 2 Learn to Swim certificate*

**Well done** to the following children who were elected as new Team Captains and Vice Captains for this year:

- Warwick:** Captains: Chloe Silverman and Reuben Taylor  
Vice Captains: Riani Doshi and George Adeyemi
- **Worcester:** Captains: Khiana Lakhani and Teddy Boxall  
Vice Captains: Jaimini Lakhani and Hiren Ramanlal
- **Bedford:** Captains: Tanya Naghashzadeh and Noah Gray  
Vice Captains: Ruhi Khimani and Dillian Talwar
- **Watford:** Captains: Sara Kortach and Oliver Powell  
Vice Captains: Artemis Aryanpour and Isaiah Ocheja

**Congratulations** to last year's Star Pupils who were: Eden Kessel, Yusuf Ahmed, Tharuki Dhanapala, Yasir Naaji and Ruhi Khimani. Also to Shennon Kosgallana who was presented with the Music award and Carmen Jemiolo who was presented with the swimming award.

Well done to the following children who were elected as School Council for this year:

- o Y1 Zainab Mokaddem and Kamron Patel
- o Y2 Nahla Bates and Alex McNicholas
- o Y3 Kordian Zurek and Lisiqna Hajrizi
- o Y4 Shenon Kosgallana and Wania Khan
- o Y5 Oscar Clark and Tamana Rabi
- o Y6 Shannikay Burke and Junaid Alemdar

### FLU JAB

The nasal flu vaccination will be offered again this year to **Years 1, 2 and 3**. This vaccination will only be given to children who have returned their consent forms. This will take place in school on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2016 in the afternoon**. Parents are NOT required to attend. For further information about this vaccination please click on the link below.

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/526367/PHE](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/526367/PHE)

### SPONSORED SPELL

The dates for the sponsored spell have changed. The words and sponsor forms will be sent home the week of 17<sup>th</sup> October allowing the children time to learn the words over half term break. The children will be tested on them the week beginning 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### REMINDER: HARVEST FESTIVAL

To celebrate Harvest Festival this year we will be collecting tins (eg soups, vegetables, beans) and packets of dry food (eg soup, rice, pasta, biscuits) for a Harvest display in the foyer. Our collection will be going to the Friendship Club at John Keble Church as in previous years. Thank you for your support and generosity, Mrs Swinburne.

### GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club run by Mrs Gill will be running again this term. This will take place on Tuesdays after school 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

- It will start on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, subject to enough children joining, and run until Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October (5 weeks)**. The total cost will be £10 per child for the duration of the club - £2 per session.
- We can **only offer places to children in Year 4, 5 & 6**. Please note that only 8 places are available.
- Please complete the slip below and return it with your payment by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September if you would like your child to join. Please note that we will confirm by text that your child has a place in the club starting on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Should there be poor weather, the club may have to be cancelled at short notice - we will text parents to inform them.
- Don't forget to send your child in with old tracksuit bottoms and some wellington boots/old shoes as they will get muddy!

### LEGO CLUB

Lego club will start again on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September - This is a club for children in Years 2 to 6. It will run on Tuesday lunchtimes, 12.30 to 1.15pm, run by Ms Ayala. The cost is £5 per term and it will run for 10 weeks - there are a maximum of 15 places. Please complete the slip below and return it together with your payment by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September to the Office. Printed copies of the slip are also available in the office. We will text to confirm that your child has a place.

### PARENTS HELPING IN CLASS

If you would like to help in school, either with general classroom help, reading or with library duties, please fill in the slip below for Mrs Swinburne and return it to the school office by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Thank you for your support.



Proud to support Courtland School

**REPLY SLIPS**

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**PARENT HELPERS**

My name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name & Year \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in helping with: (please tick as applicable)

- classroom support
- one to one reading
- library duties

I am available on the following days and times (please list):

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**LEGO CLUB**

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to join Lego Club on Tuesday lunchtimes, and enclose £5.00 for the Club's fees.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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**GARDENING CLUB**

*(Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2016)*

TO: School Office

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to join the Gardening Club on Tuesdays, 3.30pm to 4.30pm. I enclose £10 for the club fees.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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