

Court Lane Schools Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our pupils have had an exciting half term so far with a range of enriching opportunities. At the Infants, Year R visited the Blue Reef Aquarium and Year 2 were visited by a Science Magician. Children in Year 1 and 2 also got into character with their Pirates performance and Victorian Day. At the Juniors, we have been getting out and about with the first of our Year 4 Residentials to the Sustainability Centre, and Bikeability for Year 5 pupils.

PS Good luck to our Dance Live Team for their heats on February 23rd!

Punctuality – arriving at school on time

It is incredibly important that your child arrives to school on time. Registration is open from 8.40am to 8.50am. If your child arrives after 8.50am your child will be marked as late and will have to sign in at the office. If children arrive after 8.50am learning has started.

Extreme Weather and National Strike Action Notifications

In the event of disruption that affects full or partial opening, we will communicate this with as much notice as we are able to, but this is likely to be the morning of the day itself.

The next proposed days of industrial action are Thurs 2nd March, Weds 15th March and Thurs 16th March.

In the event that the schools or specific classes have to close, parents and carers will be contacted via text and email and a message will be displayed on the school website. A 'no closure' message on our website means that we are open and all pupils are expected to attend.

Nits

We have been made aware that there are some children in school who have Nits please can we remind you that it is really important to check your child's hair regularly and other family members as well. In school we are unable to check children's hair for nits so please can we ask that this is part of your routine. Please see the following information for advice. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Safety of children on local roads

Please can we ask that you are really considerate when arriving or leaving school in cars. Recently there has been a near miss of a child being hit by a car due to speed of traffic and visibility due to cars being parked in areas where they should not be parked. We encourage all drivers and pedestrians to model courtesy and good road safety practice for our children.



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Dates for your diary

w/b 20th Feb - Infant Parent Consultations

Fri 24th Feb – Year 1 Science Dome

Thurs 23rd Feb – Portsmouth Literature quiz

Thurs 23rd Feb – Victory class residential

Thurs 23rd Feb – Dance Live! heats

Tues 28th Feb and Thursday 9th Mar – Junior Parent Consultations

Weds 1st Mar -Year R writing workshop for parents

Thurs 2nd Mar – Nelson class residential

Fri 3rd Mar – World Book Day

Fri 3rd Mar – Year 1 & 2 reading workshop for parents

w/b 13th Mar – STEM pause week

Thurs 15th Mar – Warrior class residential

Tues 21st Mar – Infant voices (Y2 choir)

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HIVE Portsmouth, pre-loved uniform store

HIVE run a uniform store where you can request pre-loved school uniform. They hold items for most schools in Portsmouth – all for FREE. For more information, or to find out how to donate, visit their [website](#).



CLACA are also able to support with pre loved uniform so please contact them via <https://www.facebook.com/groups/598773354862236/?ref=share>

INSET days 2023 2024

We would like to inform you of our INSET days for 2023 2024 so that you have advance notice.

- Monday 4th September,
- Friday 24th November,
- Monday 27th November,
- Tuesday 2nd January,
- Friday 28th March,
- Wednesday 24th July.

Please can we also remind you that holidays cannot be approved during term time. Term dates for 2023-2024 are on our websites.

Communications

We are aware that some parents are picking up information about school from unofficial “school” Facebook pages. The only Facebook page monitored by school is @CourtLaneJuniorSchool. If you have concerns or need information about school please use our official websites or contact the school office.

Low cost half term activities

Portsmouth have a range of low cost or free activities for families. This link will take you to ideas for February which may be of interest for half term.

<https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-hub/low-cost-activities-and-entertainment/#februaryfocus>

Term Dates 2022-23

Half term

Monday 13th – Friday 17th February 2023

Break up for Easter

Friday 31st March 2023

First day of Summer Term

Monday 17th April 2023

Bank Holidays

Monday 1st May 2023

Monday 8th May 2023

Half term

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023

INSET Day – Schools closed

Monday 5th June 2023

Last day of term

Friday 21st July 2023

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