

Court Lane Schools Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

The range of talents that our children have been able to display this term has been inspiring. Our Infant Choir have participated in the Portsmouth Infant Music Festival at the Guildhall. Also at the Guildhall, our Junior Dance Live! team competed with a moving performance dedicated to the women in their lives. In sporting events, our Infant pupils participated in Racket Sports and our Junior football teams in Years 5 and 6 have also competed in local tournaments (a special well done to the Year 6 Girls who brought back the trophy!). Finally, our fabulous Junior readers represented the school in the Portsmouth Literature Quiz, with their picture taken for the local news.

We hope you all have a lovely Easter break together.

STEM week

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who were able to come in and give children ideas about potential careers in STEM. They were inspired by these talks and the wide range of STEM based activities that they could partake in over the week. The Infant children really enjoyed being mini professors and our Juniors got their engineering brains in gear for a range of technical projects.

CLACA

Thank you to CLACA for organising fun activities for our pupils. This term they have enjoyed colouring competitions, an Easter raffle and our first Junior Disco for some time. Arrangements are underway for another summer picnic in the second half of school term so keep your eyes peeled for more information! Thank you to our fabulous team of parent and staff volunteers for these exciting events.

Leave of absence and holidays

Leave of absence requests may be made for exceptional circumstances. Holidays will not be authorised. Please consult the term dates to ensure that your bookings do not fall within school time. In the summer term children in both schools are required to undergo a number of statutory national assessments and it is very important that your child is in school for these.

Parking

We continue to receive a number of complaints from local residents regarding parents blocking driveways. Please park considerately on the road. May we also remind you that both school car parks are staff car parks with vehicles entering and leaving throughout the day. They are not pedestrian routes.

Respecting our local community

We have also recently had reports of children urinating against residents' property, with parents present. If your child does need the toilet at the end of the school day, we may be able to offer access to school toilets.



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Dates for your diary

26th/27th April – Infant School Drop in session for Star Boxes

27th April - Year 6 residential meeting 6.15 small hall

1st May - Bank Holiday: School closed

4th May – School Nurse pre-booked appointments

8th May - Bank Holiday: School closed

w/c 9th May – Y6 SATs week including daily breakfast in small hall

29th May – Half Term

5th June - INSET day school closed

w/c 6th June - Year 6 residential and activities week

13th June – Infant Class photos

14th June – Junior Class photos

w/c 26th June & 10th July - Y6 Bikeability

18th July - Year 6 matinee 2.15pm and evening performance 7pm

19th July - Year 6 evening performance 7pm

20th July - Year 6 Leavers' party 6pm

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Residential information - Juniors

There is a meeting for parents of children in the current Year 6 going on residential in the week of June 6th on Thursday 27th April at 6.15pm in the small hall. Information regarding activities week for Year 6 pupils staying at school is also being sent out.

For parents of the current Year 5 pupils, information regarding next year's Year 6 residential has also been sent out. Please do ask us at school if you have any queries.

New entrants

We are expecting parents to be informed of school allocations for September 2023 (Reception and Year 3) when pupils return to school w/c 17 April. Letters will be sent to families and they are requested to accept or decline places offered. After this we will send out more detailed information for parents regarding information sessions and transition dates.

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,
- Thursday 28th March,
- Wednesday 24th July.

Term dates for 2023-2024

Term dates for 2023-2024 are always on our websites if you need them.

Autumn Term 2023 Starts Tuesday 05 September 2023 and ends on Friday 15 December 2023.

(Half term from Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023)

Spring Term 2024 Starts on Wednesday 03 January 2024 and ends on Wednesday 27 March 2024.

(Half term from Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February 2024)

Summer Term 2024 Starts on Monday 15 April 2024 and ends on Tuesday 23 July 2024

(Half term from Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024)

Term Dates 2022-23

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

2023-2024

First day of Summer Term

Tuesday 5th September 2023

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