

COURTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

General News

It seems almost unbelievable that the summer term is finished and so much has been achieved by our children here at Courtwood. We remain incredibly proud of all of our children who make Courtwood the fantastic place it is, as well as our dedicated staff, who work tirelessly to give their best for the children and the wider community. We sadly say goodbye to Elm class who have been a brilliant year 6 and wish them every happiness and success for their futures. We also say goodbye to a few other children who are moving house over the summer. Mr Peck, Miss Flanagan, Miss Smith and Miss Tubea also spend their final day with us today—we wish them all the best in their exciting new ventures. From both myself and Mrs Grant, we would like to wish you all a fabulous summer holiday and look forward to seeing you in September ready for the start of a new school year. Thank you for all the support you show the school.

Ofsted

You will be aware that our recent Ofsted inspection from the 1st May, resulted in Courtwood remaining an Ofsted rated 'GOOD' school. We are delighted that the report recognises some of the fabulous things we do here at Courtwood.

- 'The school continues to be a happy and nurturing environment.'
- 'All children, including those who attend the specialist resource provision for pupils on the autistic spectrum, are included in all aspects of school life.'
- 'Pupils' safety is very important to all. Pupils report that they feel safe at school.'
- 'You know your pupils, their families and their circumstances well. You have worked hard to build trusting and supportive relationships.'
- 'Teachers provide pupils with helpful advice on how to improve their writing, and opportunities to edit their work.'
- 'Children in the Reception class demonstrated positive attitudes to learning and had good levels of concentration and engagement.'
- 'Effective additional support is led by teachers and well-trained teaching assistants.'
- 'Leaders have ensured that the curriculum in key stages 1 and 2 is broad and balanced. Pupils enjoy the topics they learn about.'
- 'School grounds are used creatively to support learning. Pupils visit an onsite woodland area called 'Wise Owl Wood'.'



photo courtesy of Let's Get Crafty

Holiday Reminder

Please remember if you are booking next years summer holiday soon, that holidays will never be authorised in term-time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. We know it can be tempting to try and take advantage of lower prices but the children's learning can be disrupted at a key time in the year. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Get Fired! - Help Courtwood win the Competition

Thank you to all the parents who voted to get us in to the top10 Croydon schools in the Get Fired! Competition on Facebook. We have been contacted by the organisers to say we made it in to the top 10—we were 4th with over 200 votes! - and now go through to the final round of voting. **Voting begins TODAY!!!!**—please vote for us again—we will the chance for every child in the school to create their own tile which will be displayed as a giant mural within the school grounds and ties in brilliantly with the school's 50th birthday next year. Please support by clicking on the Courtwood picture and 'liking' the post when voting opens. We will be against much bigger schools so every vote counts—please ask your colleagues, friends, family to vote—it literally takes 20 seconds. Thank you.

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=2346958778648441&id=159261760751498

Football and Netball Updates

The Year 5 High-Five Netball team beat all opposition to win their tournament and become champions. Well done to all the girls involved on this fantastic achievement.

We say goodbye to our Year 6 Football and Netball Teams. Awards presented were:

Manager's Player—Matthew Harvey
 Players' Player—Daniel Chard
 Top Goalscorer— Oscar Moor
 Player of the Year— Megan Davenport
 Most Improved— Cara Burn
 Players' Player—Kiera Slattery

Attendance Update

Class	Attendance	Punctuality
Reception	96.5%	6 Lates
Year 1	91.3%	11 Lates
Year 2	95.6%	7 Lates
Year 3	96.4%	10 Lates
Year 4	94.6%	4 Lates
Year 5	97.3%	4 Lates
Year 6	97.1%	11 Lates

Fortnite

If your child is accessing the game 'Fortnite' please remain vigilant whilst they are online. We have had some reports of inappropriate content that children at the school have come across whilst playing.

Please support your child to share any concerns they may have with you and ensure they understand how to remain safe online.

Academy Update

We have received The Academy Order from the Department for Education, which sets out that Courtwood will officially become an academy, as part of The Collegiate Trust, on 1st September 2018. Thank you to all the parents who attended a meeting or shared their views as part of the consultation process. The school has already begun working with The Trust, to ensure that there is a smooth transition in September.



Facebook: Remember to keep up to date with all school news and events so you never miss a thing; search '**Courtwood Primary Parents**' and request to join the group. Please note the page is only for parents who have children at the school.

Congratulations to all the children who received a certificate in our end of year celebration assembly.

	<u>Achievement</u>	<u>Friendship</u>	<u>Effort</u>	<u>RIPPLE</u>
Reception	Malia	Poppy M	Millie	Alexander
Year 1	Charlie J	Francessca	Jacob	Reyyan
Year 2	Maya	Brooke	Jude	Emma
Year 3	Charlie	Lexie W	Lexi A	Harley
Year 4	Micah	William	Jessie	Nicole
Year 5	Megan	Millie	Catie	Grace
Year 6	Daniel F	Matthew	Megan	Ahad
TreeHouse KS1	Elijah	Quinn	Oliver	Isla
TreeHouse KS2	Fayo	Lewis	Aman	Thomas
PE Awards	Archie Y3	Jimmie Y5	Kiera Y6	
Headteacher	Faith Y2	Max Y6	Jesus Y5	

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Diary Dates

September 2018

Monday 3rd—INSET—SCHOOL CLOSED
 Tuesday 4th—INSET—SCHOOL CLOSED
 Wednesday 5th—School OPENS for pupils

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