Curdworth Newsletter

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This week...

Welcome Back!

We hope all families enjoyed the half term break. It has been wonderful having the children back in school this week. We hit the ground running on Monday, starting the second half term off with school photos! For some of our pupils this was their first Curdworth School photo, for others it will be their last: (. School photos are treasured memories, seeing the children grow up year on year, captured in still. Proofs should have been sent home this week, please place orders as per instructions on the photo proofs. The deadline for orders with FREE delivery is Sunday 17th November.

Year 1 Phonics Workshop

On Wednesday, Miss Gibbs ran another phonics workshop, this time for the Year 1 parents. These workshops are to inform parents of how early reading is taught at Curdworth and to share information about the statutory phonics screening check that all Year 1 pupils will undergo. It is important that parents are aware of this test so that you are able to support your child at home, securing higher pupil outcomes in the future.

Miss Gibbs also used this opportunity to offer any iPad support to Year 1 parents. If you have any questions about the support, please message Miss Gibbs directly or call in at the office to leave a message.





HAPPY

Kiara, Jesse G, Eli T & Mrs Brown!



Attendance Stars!

School Target: 97%
School Actual: 94.5%
Best Year Group this week...
Year 1 with 100%

If you want to know your child's % to date, you can find this information on MCAS

Next KS2 Cross Country



When: **Wednesday 13th**

November

Where: at **Old Salts RFC**,

Water Orton, B46 1QE

Pupil Shoutout

Check out Minnie, in Y4, who competed in the Tamworth Olympics gymnastics club competition in October. Her team came 1st and Minnie secured 5th individually.

Minnie demonstrated her skills on bars, beam, floor and the vault! She has been a gymnast for some time now and continues to build her skills through her resilience, risk taking and creativity! Well done Minnie!

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CHAMPIONS



Rhys

Daryna

Millen

Poppy

Jesse

Tiago

Elijah

Family Group Leaderboard



TTRS Leaderboard



Curdworth Track Stars



Class Dojo Badge Winners

Honey-Bow Jaien Ralph Abel Phoenix B Aurelia Otis lvy L Bodhi Kyron Scarlett R Lucas Phoenix MH Mylo Alya Blu Fraser George



CURIOSITY CREATIVITY

TEAMWORK RESPECT
TAKING RISKS RESILIENCE



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11.11.24 Parent Consultation bookings open on MCAS at 6 p.m.
- 11.11.24 Remembrance at St Nicholas (school only)
- 11.11.24 Squirrels trip to Space Centre
- 13.11.24 Odd Sock Day
- 13.11.24 Reception Phonics Parent Workshop: 9 9.45 a.m.
- 13.11.24 NWPSSA KS2 Cross Country invited children only
- 14.11.24 Orchard Blyth visit to school for reading event
- 18.11.24 Parent Consultation Day & Reception Vision Screening
- 20.11.24 Parent Consultation Day
- 27.11.24 Reception 2025 Open Morning 9.15 10.15 a.m.
- 28.11.24 Rags2Riches collection deadline
- 28.11.24 Whole School Panto trip
- 29.11.24 SCHOOL CLOSED DEVELOPMENT DAY

DON'T FORGET



PACK YOUR PACKED LUNCHES FOR SQUIRRELS TRIP ON MONDAY 11TH

SET YOUR ALARMS FOR PARENT CONSULTATION BOOKINGS - OPEN ON MCAS ON MONDAY 11TH AT 6 P.M.

ODD SOCK DAY ON WEDNESDAY 13TH

YEAR 6 FOREST SCHOOL CLOTHING TO BE IN ON THURSDAY



THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER - NO CLUBS EXCEPT FOR FOREST SCHOOL



W/C 16TH DECEMBER - ONLY FOREST CLUB RUNNING THIS WEEK

PARENT COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

YOU SAID

Some parents expressed disappointment about the Harvest festival not being open to parents to attend. This was discussed by parent council at the meeting on 21 October 2024, at which 3 additional parent representatives were in attendance.

WE DID

In our September newsletters we explained that we had reduced the number of events in direct response to feedback that parents felt there were too many events and were experiencing challenges in juggling work and managing children's expectations around this.

WE DID GONT.

We also considered the impact on children both in the lead up to and the event itself where a family member was unable to attend. Prior notice was given to parents of the changes in the school calendar released in Summer Term 2 2024 and in the school newsletter. We will take on board the feedback received when we prepare the 2025/2026 events calendar and will aim to share the proposed calendar with parents in April 2025.

What we took out and why...

Harvest Festival - Similar to Christmas Carol Concert and we wanted to protect the much loved Carol Concert.

Christmas Craft - Very close to other events i.e. Rec and Y1/2
Christmas nativities, Christmas Carol Concert and
the PTFA Christmas event.

We replaced the Mother's and Father's Day events with the September' Picnic. This allows for a more inclusive approach for our children.

NEXT MEETING

The next parent council meeting is on Monday 2 December (5.30 – 7pm) and we will be discussing after **school clubs**. Please share any feedback on this topic with your parent representatives or school before the next meeting.

Representatives: Steph Belgeonne (Rec), Tes Poole & Lois Taylor (Y1), Sarah Platt (Y2), Kiren Sunner, Danika Simkins, Faye Rose (Y3), Laura Heeley (Y5)