

Court Fields School

Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



Message from Mrs Matthews

Friday 22nd July 2022

I can't believe it's my last Bulletin of the year for 2021/22. We've had an 'interesting' year with the ongoing impacts of Covid, but such as positive one regarding our curriculum development, and really moving forward on students' enrichment and personal development after the difficulties of the last two years.

It's been lovely to celebrate over the last 2 weeks with Year 11 Prom, Year 12 Presentation Evening, Key Stage 3 Graduation, Celebration Evenings for Years 7, 8 & 10 and Madagascar's Got Talent. It's also been fantastic to see our Year 7 students for September and their parents/carers on Transition Evening. Our community means so much to us, and it's so important to celebrate with you all as we draw the year to a close.

Thank you so very much for all your support, and thank you for the kind gifts that have been brought in for staff. We hope you have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you in September. Best wishes, Mrs Matthews.



Court Fields Sports Day 2022

An unbelievable, inspirational and unforgettable Sports Day at Court Fields, the four houses pitted their wits against each other to see who would put their name on the trophy this year!

2022 will no doubt go down in history as one of the very best Court Fields Sports Days - at least 4 long term school records smashed, amazing performances throughout, participation through the roof and the atmosphere was nothing short of electric!

A big well done to the winners **Sapphire House**.

All students were a tremendous credit to the school and should be incredibly proud of themselves.

Well done Court Fields 🏆

Results:

1st-Sapphire

2nd-Emerald

3rd-Ruby

4th-Topaz



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Have you seen our new house launch?

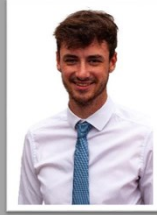
House Leaders



Miss Clark



Mrs Bradshaw



Mr Waterton

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Why a house system?



- A house system promotes peer relationships that can develop more successfully along with the fostering of a special community feeling.
- Another feature of house systems is the competition between houses. For example, the traditional school sports day is usually an inter-house competition. Debating competitions and charity fundraising events are also often organised along inter-house lines. Points can be awarded for behaviour and academic achievement and may also be totalled up for comparison between houses in a House Cup award given at the end of the academic year.
- Court Fields School shall have a year-long programme of inter-house events, in which each house competes, with points contributing to the award of the House Cup at the end of the year. Along with other aspects of student performance.
- One notable feature of the house system is the appointment of house captains, and possibly other house leadership roles, who exercise a role of responsibility with limited authority within the house and assist in the organisation of activities.

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Blackdown House



Blackdown

Current Tutor Groups:
 7T1 & 7S
 8R & 8S2
 9R2 & 9S
 10R & 10S2
 Plus Mrs Kennett & Miss Cridge's new Y7 Tutor Groups

"Green means GO, so we're about taking opportunities, and being involved!"

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House Review

AIM: To develop all aspects of the school ethos – Achieve, Belong, Participate

Why review the house system? – Four houses with six tutor groups in each year team did not work as effectively as we wanted for students and staff.

We have been through a positive, valuable and productive journey as a school community to get to this important day.

A special mention must go to you as students, who have been the main drive behind the progress, with your creativity and determination.

We began in May 2021 and consulted stakeholders at all decisive points: students, staff, parents, SLT and school governors.

And now here we are ready to make the key announcements.....

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Monument House



Monument

Current Tutor Groups:
 7R2 & 7E
 8E2 & 8S1
 9T2 & 9E
 10E1 & 10S1
 Plus Miss Burke & Miss Prouse's new Y7 Tutor Groups

"Orange represents determination, happiness and joy, so that's what Monument House is about!"

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Our Ethos & Values



I achieve because I am:

- Ambitious
- Inquisitive
- Reflective
- Resilient



I belong because I have:

- Courage
- Empathy
- Integrity
- Listening Skills



I participate because I demonstrate:

- Initiative
- Leadership
- Motivation
- Teamwork

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Duke House



Duke

Current Tutor Groups:
 7R1 & 7T2
 8E1 & 8T
 9R1 & 9T1
 10E2 & 10T
 Plus Miss Sibley & Miss Robbins' new Y7 Tutor Groups

"Purple represents the Duke of Wellington, and our house will be similarly driven, confident and creative!"

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We look forward to working with you through lessons, Tutor Time, and enrichment to compete for the House Trophy. There will be competitions across all subjects, the opportunity to win points for what you do outside of school (eg. Cadets, karate, theatre etc), as well as points for attendance, House Points for positive behaviour and points for taking part in events.

This will be awarded for 2021/22 at October Half Term. Points for each student from this year will go towards the final total for your new House. The winning House at October Half Term will be rewarded with a non-uniform day and activity afternoon.

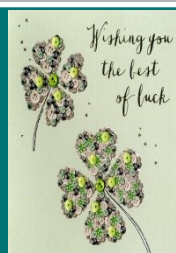
Let the competition begin!!

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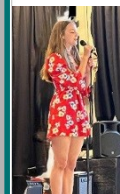
Year 11 Exam Results Day—25th August

Results will be available in the school hall between 10:00–10:45am for students to collect and will then be emailed to all Year 11 students from 11:30am. Please ensure that your child can access their school email account.

If students have any queries or concerns after receiving their results, they should contact the school via the exams contact address: exams@courtfields.net. Information about Post Results Services is available on the JCQ website at: <https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/post-results-services/>.



Madagascars Got Talent



Well done to the winner Lily C. It was a fabulous night & we raised a grand total of **£364.30!** Thank you everyone!



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Duke Of Edinburgh 2022



A fantastic effort from our 23 Year 10 students who completed the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze expedition last week. They navigated their way through part of Exmoor, carrying all of their kit, cooked their meals and camped overnight, before embarking on a second whole day of hiking. They took on the challenge, helped each other and remained motivated throughout. We are very proud of them all.



Girls Football Tournament success



A fantastic couple of hours for the girls taking part in the tournament today in line with the Womens Euros. Over 60 girls played football today and loved the occasion, hopefully the Lionesses mirror such success in their quarter-finals this evening!

School Formula 1 Championship Race Report

This week saw the final race in our event filled racing calendar. With a lot of excitement the cars club travelled to Germany to fight out the culmination of a years racing.

Race Rundown: Hockenheimring - 67 Laps

Samantha V led the early stages from Pole with Pickard and Hutchinson holding 2nd and 3rd, meanwhile Witton and Miles battled for last place. On Lap 7, Hutchinson went past both Pickard and Vinall to take the lead. With Vinall making an extra stop, she couldn't make up enough time as Pickard passed Hutchinson on Lap 44 and never looked back clinching 2nd in the standings, as Witton edged out Miles for 4th place.



Race report by Isaac P, Year 9

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Joshua D & Emily M on being appointed our Senior Prefects for 2022/23.

We have appointed over 90 Prefects for next year! They have all been given their new ties and the Student Leadership Team has been announced.

We are so proud of all of our students, well done to all involved and we look forward to working with you next year.



Congratulations to Asa, Jess, Lily and Andrei on winning the public vote for their informative podcast about Knife Crime!

Their work will be used to educate our students.



#ThisIsCourtFields2022

FREE 6-Week Summer Red Belt Bootcamp

kick-boxing & will receive a certificate of completion.

Eligibility & details:
Participants must be between 7-14 years, live in Wellington or the surrounding villages & be able to commit to the full 6-week programme.
Tuesdays 4-5pm
Court Fields School, Wellington.

Limited spaces left!
Starts next week, Tuesday 26th July.

To Book & for more info:
07769803357
info@blazemaps.co.uk




At the end of the 6-weeks young people will be graded for their red belt in

ACCESS TO OXBRIDGE


Access to Oxbridge is a course for Year 9 students who are already considering their progression route after college, and who have high aspirations to apply for Oxford or Cambridge, or other top universities.

This course will encourage students' intellectual curiosity beyond the curriculum, and equip them with the understanding of what it means to be academic, independent inquirers.

For more information scan this QR code:



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BIRCHMIR & TALWTON COLLEGE

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Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 Presentation evenings

A big well done to all of our students, here are just a handful of photos of some of our students with their awards & our new Student Leadership team for 2022/23.



Free School Meal Holiday Vouchers

Free school meal vouchers during the holidays have been funded by Somerset County Council and the school are will be sent out this week.

Somerset Household Support Fund

In addition to the vouchers, the council has set up a web portal for families in urgent need (not just those who have free school meals) to get emergency help. Through the web portal **Somerset Household Support Fund** families in need of urgent support can get additional food vouchers. The web portal is commissioned by Somerset County Council and run by Auriga. This portal can also provide fuel vouchers and can help with other urgent essentials such as white goods.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/somerset-household-support-fund/>



Equipment Donation

Court Fields are extremely fortunate to have met a fabulous Patisserie Chef to support GCSE students. Jason Ashdown is an extremely experienced patisserie chef who has now set up his own business, Sticky Toffee Patisserie, here in Wellington.

Jason has very kindly gifted Court Fields food department with some fantastic food equipment to help our GCSE pupils.

Jason has worked as a Head chef for many years and his experience within the industry is well renowned. Jason will be coming into school over the next year to demonstrate his patisserie skills for KS4 and the up and coming KS3 pupils.

IN THE MIX

SUMMER PROGRAMME 2022

Get creative!
Outdoor activities!
Trips and events!
Learn new skills!
Make new friends!
Enjoy the summer!

ACTIVITIES:

WEDNESDAY 10TH AUG 22
Green woodworking session @ The Log Cabin, Wiveliscombe | 10am-2pm | £10 pp *Bring a lunch

TUESDAY 16TH AUG 22
Water Sports trip @ Weymouth Watersport + shopping trip | 7:30am-4:00pm | £20 pp *Bring a lunch

THURSDAY 18TH AUG 22
Happy Healthy Holidays Create day @ The Hub Centre, Wiveliscombe | 10am-3pm £10 pp *Inc a meal (free for those on free school meals)

THURSDAY 25TH AUG 22
Nature and shopping trip to Slimbridge Nature Reserve and Cribbs Causeway visit | 8:30am-4:30pm | £10 pp *Inc a meal

TUESDAY 30TH AUG 22
Beach environmental trip (beach clear day) + Sports and BBQ
9:00am-4:30pm **event/timings still TBC | £5 pp *Inc a meal

REGISTER ONLINE

SPACES ON EXTERNAL TRIPS LIMITED TO 15 YOUNG PEOPLE! BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT. SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE FORM!

ADDITIONAL INFO AND DETAILS: Summer Programme for young people aged 8-16 years. **Book all 5 events for £50.00 (PHEP event free for those on free school meals so would be £45.00). **Sibling discount of £2 available for multi child bookings. All external visits are currently for a maximum of 12 participants only. Happy Healthy Holidays session on Thursday 18th August 2022 free to attend for young people on Free School Meals, to book this please visit www.sssp.co.uk or www.playazee.com. For non FSM children and young people it will cost £10 per person, you can book via TMAP. All places on a first come, first serve basis. You will be contacted following registration to confirm your bookings and to confirm event details. **Events and timings subject to change or cancellation based on areas out of our control such as high traffic or Covid-19.

FOR MORE INFO: CONTACT nsharvey@inthemixproject.org.uk
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House logo competition!

- ◆ Design a logo for your new house.
- ◆ Great logos should be distinctive, simple & relevant to your house.
- ◆ Incorporate your house colour.
- ◆ You can draw by hand or use a graphics software.
- ◆ Email your entry to your house leader (Mr Waterton, Miss Clark or Mrs Bradshaw) by Friday 9th September.

Prizes for the winning design from each house!



DIARY DATES

1st & 2nd September

Inset Days

5th September

Year 7's first day at Court Fields

6th September

Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 return to school

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