

Court Fields School

Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



Message from Mrs Matthews

I wanted to share with you this week a wonderful resource produced by our Design & Technology Team to support our students' enrichment. Using our 3D printer, Mr Keitch and Mr Waterton created this wonderful chess set for our ever-expanding **Chess Club**, run by Miss Murphy. What a wonderful resource and a fantastic bit of teamwork for our children.

Another example of our work together is our **#equity** campaign, led by Mrs Westwood and our Senior Prefects. This campaign is focussing on promoting equality and diversity, as well as reducing incidences of unkindness, harassment and inappropriate or sexualised language across our school and community. As you know, we are committed to being part of a thriving local community, supporting our young people to be successful now and in the future. We'll keep you posted on the progress on this campaign.

We are also thrilled to launch our **Prefect Applications** for current Year 10s this week, as well as making final preparations for **Year 10 Mock Interview Day** next Wednesday, where over 30 interviewers from all walks of business and further/higher education will be interviewing all Year 10 students. As always, thanks for your support to help us keep improving. Mrs Matthews

Friday 17th March 2023

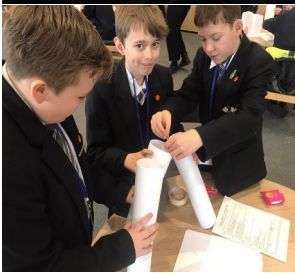


Flying Start Trip

Fantastic day for KS3 STEM students last week. Three teams have worked together over the last 4 months to design and produce a model glider, as well as creating a poster presentation.



They travelled to Yeovilton to compete in the Flying Start challenge. Daniel W and Alex K came second place overall and will move onto the national finals in May!



Year 11 Netball

The girls played a well organised Heathfield team this week, but matched this, creating an even display of superb netball throughout! We narrowly lost out with the final score 11-8. First league game, we keep building from here!



Year 9 Netball

Well done to our Year 9 netballers, who put in a spirited performance against Castle this week.



Year 8 Netball

A fab evening at Castle getting some all important match play under our belts. Lots learnt and very pleasant sportsmanship by all. Thank you Castle School.

OPOTM - Murewa



Book of the Week *Tilbury Twitch-Whiskers* is the seventh-born rat of the seventh-born litter and destined for adventure. Thus his ma cosses him and he spends his days at home, in the attic in Tilbury Docks. Every year, rattings are tested in front of the legendary diamond, the Cursed Night. The rat who can open the intricately locked Gilded Cage, forged by the ingenious Bartholomew who brought the diamond to the Dockland Rats, will be the one to return it and to break the curse. This year, Tilbury and his sister Nimble-Quick are watching and Tilbury works out how to open the cage. And so begins his journey to return the greatly-desired diamond to the Golden Rats in the City in the Clouds. But there is much adventure to be had and danger to be faced along the way. This is a wonderfully involving story of adventure and daring feats, set in a richly drawn world of rats. The rats have their own tribes, their own legends and customs, with brilliantly imaginative details.



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Year 7 Learning Handbook

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Learning Handbooks

Available on our website, after a successful trial with Year 7, are our Learning Handbooks for Years 7-9. They are available to all parents and will be updated each term going forward. We hope you find these useful.

<https://www.courtfields.net/news-events.htm>

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Barclays LifeSkills Programme 2023

Our last but equally enjoyable session of the Barclays LifeSkills programme 2023. Today, our students received online support enabling them to practise virtual meeting and interview skills, something that has become increasingly popular with businesses. We would like to say a big thank you to our mentors Stephen, Hattie and Helen, and all the guest speakers that have made this programme such a success.



Year 11 Assembly

Great to welcome Hannah from the University of Exeter to our Year 11 assembly this week. The first in a series focusing minds on Post-18 options. Always great to see students asking for more information!



Year 10 Mock Interviews

Year 10 Mock Interviews will take place during the morning of Wednesday 22nd March. Students were briefed during assembly yesterday, with the list of interview questions shared with them on Class Charts. Please support your son/daughter to get ready for the day by looking at the questions together, practising answers and making sure that their shoes are polished on Wednesday morning!



Calling all Year 10s!

We are starting our recruitment process for current Year 10's to apply to be Year 11 Prefects. All Year 10 students have been sent a link and Prefect Role Descriptions to make an application via their Courtfields.net email.

Year 11 Prefects

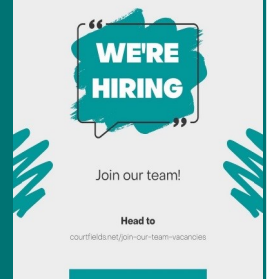
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The deadline for applications to be submitted is Monday 17th April at 3:30pm.

Job vacancies

Here at Court Fields School we are looking to expand our team due to being oversubscribed and increasing student numbers. Please head to courtfields.net/join-our-team-vacancies.htm to find out more and tag anyone who you think might be interested!



The Young Songwriter 2023 Competition

Song Academy is calling all young people aged 8-18 who love song writing, singing, music, composing and creative writing to enter their original songs by 31st March. It's an inspiring goal for all musical and creative pupils. Make sure you don't miss out! <https://bit.ly/3JfV7yD>



Year 8 School Reports

We are currently moderating and proofing the Year 8 reports. Apologies for the delay, we have had some staff absences, therefore the report writing was delayed. They will be issued by the end of next week. Thank you for your understanding.



Ski Trip 2024

There are 8 places left on next year's ski trip! Get in touch with Mrs Greenfield for more information—dgreenfield@courtfields.net.



Complete each of these **movements** slowly and purposefully, **noticing how it feels:**

- **Gently squeeze** the **outer edge of your ears**, starting at the top and working down to the bottom.
- Use your first 2 fingers to make **firm, small circles** on your **temples**, moving from your temples to your ears.
- **Cover your ears** with your whole hands and take a **slow, deep breath** in and out.



DIARY DATES

- 20th March**
Parent Community Group
- 21st March**
Years 8 & 9 HPV mop up
- 22nd March**
Year 10 Mock interviews
- 30th March**
Last day of term
- 31st March**
Inset Day
- 31st March**
Duke of Edinburgh expedition practice day
- 17th April**
Return to school
- 24th—28th April**
Madagascar Week

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