

Court Fields School

Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



Message from Mrs Matthews

Friday 12th May 2023

Just a MASSIVE THANK YOU

from me this week following the publication of our Ofsted Report. I am so pleased and proud that the hard work of our whole community has been acknowledged and will set us up for the next part of our school development over the coming year. Thank you so very much. I'm off to raise a glass to the Court Fields Team and to toast our 'Good' judgement! Have a lovely weekend! With my very best wishes, Mrs Matthews

'Court Fields is a happy and welcoming school. Leaders are committed to the school's values for all pupils to 'achieve, belong and participate'. Pupils are positive about improvements to their school. They feel proud to attend. The majority of parents agree and say their child is flourishing at this school.'

Flying Start Challenge Grand Final

A huge well done to Luc U-C, Tom B-D, Douglas K, Alex K and Daniel W who attended the Grand Final of the Flying Start Challenge this week.

The boys have been working in teams since October to design, build and test a model glider as well as creating a poster presentation which they presented at the regional finals. Following their success at the regional finals, they then attended the Grand Finals, where each team had their chance to fly their glider against schools from across the South West.

Each team was judged on various criteria such as the distance flown, innovative design and use of recycled materials. The students also got the opportunity to take part in three exciting engineering challenges, have a tour of the University of Bristol's engineering facilities including the wind tunnels and also had a go on top of the range flight simulators.

Both teams performed very well in the finals, confidently presenting their gliders and posters as well as showing innovative ideas in the STEM challenges.



Flying Start Challenge

School report



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Inspection of Court Fields School

Mantle Street, Wellington, Somerset TA21 8SW

Inspection dates: 22 and 23 March 2023

| Overall effectiveness | Good |
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| The quality of education | Good |
| Behaviour and attitudes | Good |
| Personal development | Good |
| Leadership and management | Good |
| Previous inspection grade | Requires Improvement |

'Leaders are ambitious for pupils. They have created a culture where hard work is expected. As a result, most pupils show positive attitudes to their learning. Pupils enjoy good relationships with staff. As they move around the school site, pupils are sensible and polite. Bullying is rare. If any incidents occur, pupils are confident that staff will resolve them quickly. Consequently, pupils feel safe.'

Time to Celebrate

PLEASE VOTE!

Year 9 students Luciano, Daniel and Sam all took part in the Safer Somerset workshop and created a podcast to raise awareness and support Safer Streets for Women and Girls.

Their podcast has been selected for the public vote and we need as many votes as possible.

Voting opens at 7am on Thursday 11th May for a week.

The community can vote for the Court Fields entry - please vote for us!

<http://www.collaboratedigital.com/vote>

THANK YOU!

Achieve | Belong | Participate

Career Masterclasses

The Career Masterclasses in May are all booked in, see below:

NHS—Thursday 11th May 3:15pm-4:15pm in B16

Caroline Stone will be able to outline all the exciting opportunities working for the NHS.

Exeter Maths School—Thursday 18th May 3:15pm-4:15pm in B16

Exeter Mathematics School is a 6th form school, jointly sponsored by the University of Exeter and Exeter College. Opened in September 2014, the school is open to students from across Cornwall, Devon, Dorset and Somerset. They also work extensively with students and teachers in other schools, inspiring enthusiasts for maths, physics and computing across the region.

Thread Architects—Thursday 25th May 3:15pm-4:15pm in B16

Thread are a female led team of specialist conservation architects, who through robust questioning, distinct skill-sets and detailed consideration, tackle the projects which sit at the most challenging areas of our specialisms. Often utilising and honouring historic techniques, they work to bring lost buildings back from the brink.

Students will need to use the list outside of the Careers Office to register their attendance.

Year 10 Residential

We are really excited and planning for the Year 10 Residential to Mendip Activity Centre. We have extended the deadline to reserve your place until Monday 15th May at 9am, at this point we will arrange the groupings for students. Those entered for the Maths exam will be attending in the first half of the week.



Kilve Court FAMILY DAY

ACTIVITIES:

- Climbing Wall
- Grass Sledging
- Somerset Wildlife Trust
- Archery
- Team Building
- Rifle Shooting
- SUP (Stand Up Paddle Boarding)
- Somerset Music

LOCATION:
Kilve Court Residential Centre, Kilve, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA5 1EA

Saturday 13th May 2023 10:00 - 16:00

£5 per adult
£3 per child (under 3's FREE)
£15 for a family of up to 5

Reminder!



Of our Parent Workshops, diary dates are below. Please email the school office—schooloffice@courtfields.net should you wish to attend one of these workshops.

Thank you!

DIARY DATES

15th May

Parent Workshop

Addressing Misogyny

16th May-21st June

Year 11 GCSE Exams

16th May

Parent Community Group

20th May

Exmoor Challenge

20th-21st May

Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

22nd May

Parent Workshop

Supporting Ambition for HPA students

26th May

Break up for Half Term

5th June

Parent Workshop

Harmful Sexual Behaviour

W/C 5th June

Year 10 Residential

12th June

Parent Workshop

Dads, Step-Dads, Grandads etc Reading Workshop

19th June

Parent Workshop

T Levels & Apprenticeships

22nd & 23rd June

Inset days

26th June

Parent Workshop

Supporting Numeracy

26th-30th June

Enrichment Week

National Numeracy Day – Wednesday 17th May

Wednesday 17th May is National Numeracy Day. The aim of the day is to empower everyone in the UK (adults and children!) to have the numeracy skills that allow them to fulfil their potential at work, home and school.

Many adults and children feel worried or stressed when faced with maths. Some people also have physical symptoms too, such as a racing heartbeat, feeling hot and flustered,

or sweating.

Our first impressions of maths and numbers were influenced by the grown-ups around us. We can make sure our children have a positive introduction to numbers, even if we didn't.

National Numeracy day gives us an opportunity to talk openly about how maths and numbers makes us feel and to take some positive steps towards building our confidence with numbers. We will be running a series of events next week to promote positivity towards numeracy in school.

Families can sign up for a toolkit to help them enjoy maths together via this link: <https://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/free-family-maths-toolkit>

You can also test your confidence with numeracy by completing the numeracy challenge via this link: <https://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/challenge/confidence-scale>

Think of a **positive feeling** you want more of. **Inhale slowly and deeply** and imagine you are **sucking that feeling into your body**. With every inhale you pull more of that feeling into your body.



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| WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME C6 | OPEN TO ALL YEAR 7'S |
| 3 MAY - INTRO TO CLUB | 7 JUNE - ACTION ON IRAQ |
| 10 MAY - BADGE MAKING | 14 JUNE - FUNDRAISING |
| 17 MAY - BADGE MAKING | 21 JUNE - SELLING PRODUCT |
| 24 MAY - WOMEN IN IRAQ | 5 JULY - LGBTQ ACTION |
| | 12 JULY - LGBTQ ACTION |

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