

Message from Mrs Matthews

Friday 20th December 2024

Please find our winter magazine here:
www.courtfields.net/news-events.htm

This year we have created a Christmas E-card and therefore will be making a donation to Arc Homeless Charity in Taunton, with the money we have saved on cards and postage.

Here is the link to our Trust Newsletter:

[Lines from our Landscape Newsletter - December 24.pdf](#)

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas,
 Mrs Matthews



Battle of the Bands

What a fantastic performance from all involved. Thank you everyone for buying tickets to a brilliant show!



Tree Planting

On Tuesday, Wellington Town Council joined a group of our students to plant 89 trees, to enhance our outdoor area. This was part of the Tiny Forest Scheme from Tiny Forest Earth Watch Europe, supported by Wellington Town Council. Well done to all involved for your hard work! <https://earthwatch.org.uk/program/tiny-forest/>



Miles for Mind Fundraising Update

Total Amount Raised for MIND = £4,095.15!

- Winning Tutor Group** = 7B1 (Mrs Brown and Miss Rendell)
- Highest Fundraiser Girl** - Jessica M (7D1) £285
- Highest Fundraiser Boy** - Charlie C (9D2) £350

House Results (X-Country and Fundraising Combined)

- 1st - Monument (2620 Points)
- 2nd - Duke (2222 Points)
- 3rd - Blackdown (1880 Points)



Well done Elsie

We would like to say a huge well done to the amazing Elsie who has been performing in the Cinderella Pantomime at Tacchi Morris. She's been in 3 performances so far, as one of the dancers, and has a further 2 before Christmas and the end of the show's run. Congratulations Elsie!





College Applications

Year 11 - it's best that college applications are made prior to Christmas to ensure interviews happen and study programmes are confirmed quickly in the new year.

If you need any help, please let Charity know.

Our next meeting!

Parent & Community Group

21st January 2025 5-6pm

Everyone welcome! Please come along to discuss our plans for the year ahead.



DIARY DATES

23rd Dec 2024-3rd Jan 2025

Christmas Holidays

6th January 2025

Back to School

16th January

Year 11 School Photos

21st January

Parent & Community Meeting

Well done Jess!



Huge congratulations to Jessica V who has been reselected to the Double Mini Trampoline 2025 GBR programme. Her third year in a row which is a real achievement at this level.

She is an Ambassador for Milano Pro Sport who are one of the largest leotard companies in the UK and the supplier of the GBR kit.

She's also recently competed at the Loule Cup for GBR during the last half term holiday and picked up a Silver medal. This season has been up and down for her picking up annoying injuries and having a few skill blips. However, she is a testament to how sport doesn't always go well but if you stick to it and believe in yourself you can get through anything life throws at you. Well done Jess!

Parent & Community Meeting

Please do come along to our next meeting to discuss plans and fundraising for 2025. All parents, carers, family, friends and community members welcome!

Our Big Exercise Promise

We have a plan to get fit together!

From January 2025, we'll

be rolling out Our Big Exercise Promise across the Trust! Every member of our Trust community; students, staff, parents/carers, governors and other family members can join in. The plan is that as schools and families we walk, run, cycle, or otherwise exercise to help raise even more money for our chosen charity - mind.org.uk, plus

children will be able to earn points for their school House. Stay tuned for more details in January.



Netball

Congratulations to our Year 10 and 11 netballers who both won against Tiverton last week. A great friendly prior to the netball season after Christmas!



Swiped Documentary



Channel 4 and University of York have carried out some ground-breaking research into the impact of smartphone and social media usage on young people. Some of the findings are quite surprising. We would recommend parents take the time to watch the program on Channel 4 with their children, to support with giving you awareness of the current issues young people may face in the online world. We will continue to support students through both the Computing and PHSCE curriculum in navigating modern technology. <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/swiped-the-school-that-banned-smartphones>



Autism at Christmas

Useful details here:

www.authenticallyemily.uk/blog/an-autistic-guide-to-christmas

