



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

'Achievement for Everyone'

15th January 2016

**Dear Parents,
URGENT**

There are only a small number of parents/carers who have not returned their **pupil information forms**. These forms are very important. If you have not already completed the form and handed it back to us, please do so as soon as possible.

Football Team

Well done to our football team who competed in York at the weekend. Unfortunately, they did not manage to get through to the next round however, they represented the school impeccably and had a great experience! Thank you to Mr Berriman for giving up part of his weekend to manage the team.

Parking

Again, can I remind drivers to park away from the school and walk down South Parade to avoid congestion at the beginning and the end of the school day. Please can we request that drivers use the car park at The Croft Village Hall or The Croft Hotel. Thank you to the parents who have taken the time to express their concern about this. I have contacted our PCSO from North Yorkshire Police to seek further advice.

Parental Consultations

Spring term parental consultations will be on Monday 22nd and Wednesday 24th February. The sheets will go up on the pupil entrance doors on Monday, 8th February. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend everybody and I do hope you are managing to stick to your new year's resolutions! ☺

Mr Robson

Headteacher's Awards

This week's awards for good behaviour, consideration and effort are awarded to Kitty Sodge-Waugh (Rec), Millie Harrison (Y1), Oliver Hutchinson(Y2), Scarlett Farrow (Y3), Janey Hindmarch (Y4), Will Dixon (Y5) and Eberé Duru (Y6)

Class 4: We have got all of the Christmas performance pictures, if you have ordered photos please could you send money in as soon as possible. The photos were 50p per photograph. If you can't remember how much you owe, please don't hesitate to ask!

Year 6: We have started our poetry topic this week looking at classic poetry, which we will continue to look at in more depth next week. If the children have any examples of classic poems they would like to share they could bring them in next week to share with the class. Next week in Maths, we will be continuing to look at number patterns and prime numbers. The children have been very impressive this week with their use of mathematical vocabulary to explain their reasoning.

Year 5: This week we have started our newspaper writing topic, looking at the key features of a newspaper and how to write formally. Next week we will be continuing to look at newspapers, even writing some of our own headlines! In Maths we have been looking at mixed number and improper fractions, next week we will be continuing this and beginning to multiply them. Well done on a productive week!

Class 3: We have got all of the Christmas performance pictures, if you have ordered photos please could you send money in as soon as possible. The photos were 50p per photograph. If you can't remember how much you owe, please don't hesitate to ask!

We have started our work on poetry in English this week and have focussed on how poets create images with their descriptions. Next week we will be writing our own poems based on the BFG. In Maths we have been learning about angles and shapes; the children have been fantastic at remembering the key vocabulary to go with this unit. Please continue to practise times tables at home. In D&T we are starting to explore pop up books. If the children have any pop up books at home that they would like to bring in that would be great! Please make sure children remember outdoor PE kits on a Tuesday. Have a great weekend!

Class 2: We will be making bug hotels as part of our topic work on living things and their habitats and writing instructions for this in English. In Maths we are looking at the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction and learning that addition can be done in any order but subtraction cannot.

Please send in any empty 2litre drinks bottles if possible.

Thank you.

Early Years:

We have been really lucky this week that Mrs Goldsbrough and her 'dog' came into Early Years. Mrs Goldsbrough talked to us about her job being a vet. The children were brilliant and listened really well to what was said. We learned how to care for a dog and what to do if an animal breaks a bone. A nursery child commented 'That was fabulous' at the end so a big THANK YOU Mrs Goldsbrough. ☺

We are working on 2d and 3d shapes. We are naming the shapes, matching shapes, making pictures and models with shapes, looking for shapes in the environment and some children will move onto describing shapes by their properties. Language includes circle, square, circle, triangle, rectangle, hexagon, sides, corners, cube, cuboid, cylinder, cone, sphere, faces, vertices and edges. We will also be using positional language – on, under, in front, behind, next to, beside, between, and playing games.

Please can you send in your £3 contribution towards messy play, food activities and additional resources. We really appreciate your support.

Reception children have their homework books. Please support your child with this activity. Please return books each Wednesday. Please share your child's reading book several times each week and continue to practise the word games and tricky words. Your support really helps your child's confidence and will help improve their reading ability.

Please remember your special books for Wednesday 20th. Thank you.

Nursery – please remember to bring your orange sound books each Monday or Tuesday so that the sound of the week can go in.

Busy books – the children are getting really good at sharing the stories they have read at home. This is a super way of children retelling stories they have shared and remembering details about them.

Events week commencing 18th January 2016

Mon 18th Jan 12.30 Climate Cops
KS2 afterschool gym club
Glee Club

Tues 19th Jan Piano and woodwind lessons

Wed 20th Jan Violin lessons
KS1 afterschool multiskills club

Thurs 21st Jan Guitar Lessons

Fri 22nd Jan KS2 lunchtime football
Karate

Forthcoming Events

Tues, 26th Jan CI3 & 4Bodyworks (fitness)

Wed, 27th Jan EY & CI 2 Fun fitness

Tues, 2nd Feb Y6 Science transition day

Fri, 12th Feb School closes for half term

St Peter’s Church, Croft 11 am Holy Communion

Christian Value: Thankfulness

Glee Club

Glee Club will be running every Monday after school as well as gymnastics.

Karate

Karate classes will start tonight, Friday 15th January. There are still a few spare places. The cost is £30 for ten weeks. Please let the Mrs Dent know if your child is interested.

Croft Out of School Club Holiday Club Opening 2016

Activity programmes will be issued a few weeks in advance of the holiday.

Holiday	Dates open
February Half Term	Monday 15 th , Tuesday 16 th and Wednesday 17 th February 2016
Easter	Monday 4 th , Tuesday 5 th and Wednesday 6 th and Monday 11 th April 2016
Spring Week	Closed
Summer	Monday 1 st , Tuesday 2 nd and Wednesday 3 rd August Monday 8 th , Tuesday 9 th and Wednesday 10 th August Monday 15 th , Tuesday 16 th and Wednesday 17 th August Monday 22 nd , Tuesday 23 rd and Wednesday 24 th August 2016
September 2016	To be confirmed

School Council - stamps

Please keep reminding friends and family that we are collecting used stamps for the RNIB. We are helping to raise money by recycling something we normally would throw away. Thank you for your support.

Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is given to schools to support children on Free School Meals and children of Service families to achieve nationally expected levels of achievement, wherever possible, and to ensure good progress. It is given for 6 years and when a child transfers to secondary school, it goes with them. Children aged 3 and 4 are now eligible for this funding.

Please let us know if you think your child may be eligible.

Children Not Yet of School Age

Please make sure to let us know if you have any younger children who are not yet in school or in our admissions book. This will ensure that you receive information about nursery places in good time.

Text Messaging

Please ensure that the mobile number we have for you is up to date.



Allergen Information

Is available for all school meals so if you have any concerns or require any information please ring or call into school. More information about food allergens can be found on the Food Standards Agency website. It is very important that you keep school informed of any food allergies or intolerances affecting your child.

Guidance on Infection Control

A copy of the HSC (Public Health Agency) guidance on infection control in schools can now be found on our school web site croftprimaryschool.org This gives details of the recommended periods that children should be kept away from school during specific illnesses.

Don't forget to visit our web site at **croftprimaryschool.org**