



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

**'Achievement for Everyone'**

18<sup>th</sup> March 2016

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

**Odd Socks Day**

The Odd Socks campaign in celebration of World Down Syndrome Day will be held on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March. Children can wear odd socks on the day in exchange for a donation. Please support this cause.

**Decorate eggs – book character theme**

This is open to pupils in school. Children can decorate a hard boiled egg, on a book theme, at home. These should be brought into school for judging on Wednesday.

**Easter Service**

Our Easter service will be held at St Peter's at 2.30pm. All parents welcome. Parents who attend are able to take their children with them when they leave. Any remaining children will return to school and can be collected as normal.

**Parent Governor Elections**

Ballot papers for the forthcoming election of Parent Governors are being sent home tonight. Each parent has as many votes as there are candidates to be elected (2) These ballot papers must arrive in school no later than 9am on 20<sup>th</sup> April.



**Twitter**

Please can I remind parents that we now have Twitter account. If you would like to follow us, please find us on Twitter @croftcofe and make a follower request. When we recognise parents and carers we will let you in to follow our tweets! We are in the early stages of its use so would greatly appreciate any feedback as it develops. Thank you.

Have a fantastic Easter break we look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

Have a wonderful Easter!

**Mr Robson**

**Headteacher's Awards**

This week's awards for good behaviour, consideration and effort are awarded to Kitty Sodge-Waugh (Rec), Florence Howe (Y1), Jack Goldsbrough (Y2), Lily Janes (Y3), Max Ferguson (Y4), Felix Hudson Chang (Y5) and Olivia Mulcrone (Y6)

**Sport Relief**

A huge thank you to everyone who got dressed up and donated to Sports Relief, so far we have raised £145.65 We've had a really exciting day, learned a Sport Relief song, seen how many laps of the playground we could do and even managed to successfully complete a skipathon! It has been a huge success. Thank you again for your support for what is a really good cause.

Mr Berriman

**Class 4: Cross Country**

Once again we have been hugely successful as a school in the North Yorkshire cross country. A huge well done to the 4 pupils who managed to make it to the finals and do themselves proud and a second thank you to the parents who came and supported them!

**Year 6:** have been working exceptionally hard. Thank you to all the children who attended SAT clubs this week. We are very proud of all the children; as a result of their hard work, every member of the class is showing excellent progression with their reading. Keep up the hard work. ☺

**Year 5:** Well done to Year 5 on some absolutely fantastic poems! We've had a range of poems from a poem about a gorilla's birthday party to our happiest memories. Children have worked really hard over the past few weeks and it has really paid off! Next week we will be writing a nonsense poem as well as completing some work in our writing portfolio.

**Class 3:** Easter Service rehearsals have started this week and the children have made a great start. Please practise lines at home ready for our service on Thursday. We will be having our spelling test on **Wednesday** this week so that children do not need to bring their blue bags on Thursday. We will also be completing our writing portfolio next week for this term.

**Class 2:**

We will be completing our English topic on komodo dragons this week and writing our final non-chronological report for our portfolios. We will be having our spelling test on **Wednesday** this week so that children do not need to bring their blue bags on Thursday. We will continue to look at measures in Maths, focussing on weight and capacity. We will begin making our castles in pairs. We will be having an egg decoration competition in school. Please bring in your decorated egg ready for judging on Wednesday.

**Early Years:**

Next Thursday afternoon Reception children will going to the Easter Service at the church. Parents can collect their child from church after the service. Children not collected from church will be brought back to school for collection at the usual time. Nursery children will remain at school in the afternoon. Any parents wishing to take their nursery child to the service can collect their child from school prior to the service starting. We will be changing our reading books on **Monday** and **Wednesday** this week so that children do not have to bring their blue bags to school on Thursday. If you have any questions about what pupils are currently learning, please see Mrs Jones, Miss Turnbull or Miss Gray. Thank you for your continued support.

**Events week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016**

Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Odd Socks Day 12.30 Climate Cops Cl 3 Afterschool Tennis Club (this is an outdoor event) 3.30 SAT club
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Piano and woodwind lessons
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	12.15: Class 4 Girls football
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Guitar Lessons 2.30 Easter Service School closes

### Year 6 SATs revision clubs

SATs revision clubs will be taking place on Mondays 3.30 – 4.30 Reading revision for all Year sixes. In addition to this, your child will be given a letter which will inform you which of the following Maths revision clubs they will be invited to attend: Thursday 8.30 – 9 or Friday 8.30 -9. On Tuesday lunchtimes from 12 – 1, Miss Rogan will also be holding a 'drop in' session for all Year 6 pupils who have any SATs related queries or would like support with any learning. All sessions will run until the week before SATs.

### Year 2 Drop in sessions.

Anyone wanting to call in after school with any queries from the SATs practise booklets is more than welcome. Please see Mrs McManus from 3.30- 4.30 on Thursdays after school.

### Glee Club

Unfortunately, due to SATs revision now taking place on Mondays after school, Glee Club will be cancelled until 9<sup>th</sup> May when it will resume.

**St Peter's Church, Croft:** 11am Holy Communion

**Christian Value:** Peace

### Sainsbury's Vouchers

Sainsbury's have started issuing Active Kids Vouchers. Please start collecting and sending into school. Thank you

### Marie Curie Cancer Care

Daffodils pins, sold in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care are on sale in school for £1 each.

### Croft Out of School Club Holiday Club Opening 2016

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Dates open</b>
Easter	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> and Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2016
Spring Week	Closed
Summer	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> , Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> August Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> 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.

### EPICH Kids

EPICH (Eco People in Croft and Hurworth) are holding a family fun morning for children ages 3 – 11 at Grange Community Centre on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 10am – 12pm. There will be a nature trail and children will have the opportunity to make a bird feeder to take home. EPICH would love to see you there if you can make it. All children must be accompanied by an adult and be clothed for outdoor activity.

### 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](http://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](http://croftprimaryschool.org)

