



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

'Achievement for Everyone'

22nd April 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally it feels a little bit like winter has moved on and the children have thoroughly enjoyed getting back on the school field! It is lovely to see them enjoying the space.

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As a school, we are continually trying to improve what we offer to achieve the best possible outcomes for all pupils. As part of this process, governors and I have decided to increase the level of Special Educational Needs support available in school for staff. As a result, Mrs Hart who currently works for the low incidence needs service and is very familiar with the school already, will be supporting staff on a consultancy level over the coming term. Mrs Hart is an experienced, qualified primary teacher who holds the National Qualification for SEN Coordination and has a wealth of knowledge and a high degree of skills and understanding relating to supporting the provision of pupils with Special Educational Needs. Mrs Hart will be in school and working with staff for two half days per week and will support the school's continual drive for improvement in relation to meeting the needs of pupils with Special Educational Needs. She is going to be a real asset to the school and its drive for improvement.

Pupil Absence

Please can I ask parents and carers to ensure that the office is informed about any pupil absence as early as possible so that we know if a pupil will not be attending school. Mrs Dent checks the registers at 9.10am each day as they arrive at the office and will then begin phoning parents and carers if there has been no communication received. Communication must be established by 10am so that we know the whereabouts of all of our children. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Local Textile Artist Display

Please pop into school and see Class 3's wonderful textile work on display in the school hall! Pupils used a variety of different techniques such as felting, weaving, embroidery and dyeing to produce some beautiful art work! Thank you to Charlotte Pyrah for her amazing work with the children. They absolutely loved it. Well done to all involved!

Soup Kitchen

Thank you to staff for taking part in raising funds for the Village Hall yesterday. It was the best pea and ham soup I have ever tasted! I highly recommend it. ☺

Parent Governor Elections

Thank you for the return of ballot papers for our parent governor elections. Ballot papers will be counted on Monday morning and we will let parents and carers know the outcome by the end of the school day.

As ever, I am out on the yard each day if ever you would ever like a chat. Please just pop over. Have a fantastic weekend everybody!

Mr Robson

Class 4:

All children who have handed their forms in for Cricket/Rounders club have received a place on Monday evenings.

Could I remind children that their spellings have been stuck into their homework book. If they would like to copy them

into their spelling book this needs to be done before Wednesday.

Next week we will be continuing our topic on Ancient Greece. We will be using the information from last week to write a diary entry of an ancient Greek. We will be continuing our Science topic and looking at Air Resistance. Well done on a productive week everyone!

Class 3:

All children who have handed their forms in for Cricket/Rounders club have received a place at the club on Monday after school.

The children have had another busy week this week. They have produced some lovely cards for the Queen's birthday and had fun completing a quiz. Next week, we will be continuing work on time in Maths, and in English we will be planning and writing our own narrative. We will be continuing our work on Forces and Magnets in Science.

Class 2:

We will be writing diary entries as Phillip or William Gregg in English next week. In Maths we will be looking at addition and subtraction calculations and fractions of amounts. Please can children bring their wellies on Thursday as we will be digging the vegetable patch and planting some seeds. If you have any books with moving parts (slider, lever or wheel mechanisms) please send them in on Monday. Thank you ☺

Early Years:

We have been busy continuing to learn about the jungle. The children have been finding out about different jungle animals and painting, making models and writing about them. This week we have been reading 'Rumble in the Jungle' and singing and signing 'Down in the Jungle'. We are hopeful that the warm weather will continue, please can children bring in a named sun hat!

Reception: Homework for this week is a jungle maths activity.

Nursery: Please continue to practice sounds from the orange books.

Headteacher's Awards Ebere Duru(Y6), Lennon Howe (Y5), Ella Janes (Y4), Grace Crawford (Y3), Anya Shearn (Y2), Leo Wrightson (Y1) and Ava Bainbridge (R).

Events week commencing 25th April 2016

Mon 25 th April	Cl 2 dance club Y3, Y4 & Y5 cricket club (All children who have applied have places)
Tues 26 th April	Woodwind lessons Piano lessons
Wed 27 th April	KS2 swimming lessons Violin lessons
Thurs 28 th April	Guitar Lessons
Fri 29 th April	Karate

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 9th May when it will resume.

Karate

A new group of 10 Karate sessions will start on Friday, 22nd April. Please can you let Mrs Dent know if your child is interested. New starters are very welcome.

St Peter's Church, Croft: 11am Morning Prayer

Christian Value: Service

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Sainsbury's are still 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

Holiday	Dates open
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**