



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

'Achievement for Everyone'

4th December 2015

Dear Parents,

Parking and Pedestrian Safety

Please can I request that drivers support the school and pedestrian safety by **parking at the Croft hotel** or the **village hall** and **walking down to school**. Turning and oncoming traffic is a real difficulty outside the school and pupil safety is of the utmost importance. Safety relies heavily on sensible driving. Please take care and if it is at all possible, please walk to school. Thank you for your support with this.

Hedges and Shrubbery

As you will have noticed we have managed to organise with grounds maintenance for our hedges and borders to be pruned. I do hope that this had made access to the building easier. Thank you for your patience.

Performances

It is the KS2 Christmas performance is on Monday and Tuesday at 6pm. Pupils taking part in the performance should arrive at school between 5.15 and 5.30 and enter through the **children's entrance doors**. Spectators must enter via the **main entrance** and show their tickets on arrival so that we are sure that we meet fire regulations. Thank you for your support with this.

Advent Calendar

Thank you to Mrs Janette Fawcett, a former colleague of mine, for making us a Christmas Advent Calendar and Nativity display for our school hall. Please ask the children all about it! If you are in the school hall over the next two weeks you will get the chance to see it.

Have a great weekend! I hope you manage to untangle your lights and decorations without any hiccups... ☺

Mr Robson

Headteacher's Awards

This week's awards for good behaviour, consideration and effort are awarded to Ava Holmes (Rec), M Owens(Y1), A Robinson (Y2), George Kipling (Y3), Daniel Bell (Y4), Luke Millar (Y5) and Ebere Duru (Y6)

KS2 Christmas production

All children have been asked to arrive at school on both Monday and Tuesday between 5.15 and 5.30 so they have plenty of time to get organised ready for the performances to start promptly at 6pm. If any children would like to arrive any earlier, Miss Rogan and Mr Berriman are happy for children to come into Class 4 from 5pm however the main entrance doors will not open until 5.15pm. Thank you ☺

Class 4: Well done everyone on a superb effort to get the Christmas pantomime ready for performances! We've all worked extremely hard this week, with singing, dancing, line-reading and everything else to get us ready for Monday. Thank you for all the contributions towards props and

costumes, we looked wonderful during the dress rehearsal. As well as learning their spellings and completing their mental maths homework, could all children: practise performing their lines loudly and clearly; make sure they know **all** the song words for the parts of the songs which they sing and read through the script carefully to memorise where and when they enter or exit the stage and say their lines. Next week we will be continuing with our story-writing topic, as well as putting some of what we learned at East Barnby into practise!

Class 3: The children have worked extremely hard this week, perfecting their lines, singing and practising dance moves in preparation for Monday's and Tuesday's performances. In addition to learning their spellings and completing their mental maths homework, the children have been asked to: practise performing their lines (if they have any) loudly and clearly; make sure they know **all** the song words for the parts of the songs which they sing and read through their script carefully, to memorise where and when they come on and off the stage and say their lines. Next week, we will be continuing to look at myths in English and identify features and we will be continuing to work with measurements in Maths.

Class 2: The children have made good progress in our Christmas performance. All children should have received requests for clothing letters in their blue bags yesterday. We really appreciate your support with this; they will look amazing for the performances next week. In addition to spellings and reading, please continue to practise lines, in loud, clear voices with expression where appropriate.

We are continuing our work on information texts in English next week. In Maths we are continuing to compare numbers and we will also move onto comparing measures.

Early Years:

Early Years children have been working hard to learn the songs and actions for our Christmas performance. We hope you can join us on Thursday for one of our performances. This week an elf called Elfie has arrived in Early Years. We have been helping Elfie to make toys for Santa and dressing up as elves to help us work quicker. We hope to help Elfie with more activities next week. We will be reading the Elves and the Shoemaker and we will be making Christmas cards and listening to the Christmas story.

Please can **Nursery** children bring their sound book each week to get the sounds stuck in on Thursday.

Reception children will get new sounds next week so please send the sound books each day. Thank you ☺

Events week commencing 7th December 2015

Mon 7 th Dec	Climate Cops KS2 performance (6 pm)
Tues 8 th Dec	Piano NO woodwind lessons KS2 performance (6 pm)
Wed 9 th Dec	Violin lessons Y5 & 6 Athletics Club
Thurs 10 th Dec	Guitar lessons EY & KS1 performance (10 am and 2.30 pm)
Fri 11 th Dec	Y6 Xmas cake making Friends of School Disco
Sun, 13 th Dec	Candle Service at St. Peter's Church (4 pm)

Forthcoming Events

14th Dec KS2 Xmas Party

16th Dec Christmas Lunch
 17th Dec KS1/EY Xmas Party
 18th Dec Christmas Jumper Day
 School Closes

Karate

If enough children are interested we will be running our karate course after Christmas. 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 2015 -2016

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

Holiday	Dates open
Christmas	Monday 4 th January 2016
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

St Peter's Church, Croft 8 am Holy Communion

Christian Value: Creation

Village Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, 12th December 4.00 – 6.30 pm in Croft Village Hall. Lots of fun, games, music and prizes plus special visit from Father Christmas. Tickets £5 (under 3's £3) **in advance** from Tiff Norris 07779346254. Mince pies and a cup of Christmas cheer for adults.

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**