



CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Achievement for Everyone

3rd March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everybody. I hope you had a fantastic half term break.

CLASS 2 TWITTER ACCOUNT!

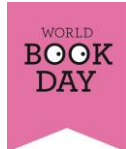


Mrs McManus has launched a Class 2 Twitter page for parents. You can find her **@Class2CroftCofE**. Follow her to find out more! Don't forget, the school has a Twitter Account too. Find us **@croftcofe**!

PUPIL-LED CHRISTIAN VALUE WORSHIPS

We will be holding a pupil-led Christian Value Worship for families of Class 2 pupils on Wednesday 15th March at 3pm. Watch out for your hand-written invite from the pupils of Class 2! We hope that you can attend. Each class will lead a Christian Value Worship every term. Watch this space Class 3 and Class 4 parents!

WORLD BOOK DAY



Well done and thank you to all of the pupils who took part and wore a costume to celebrate World Book Day! The pupils had a great day and had a brilliant time reading some of their favourite books with children from different year groups across the school. Don't forget that the Book Fair is in school from 3.30pm each night until Wednesday 8th March.

MRS LILLY

Today was Mrs Lilly's final day at Croft School in her role as midday supervisor. I would like to thank Mrs Lily for all her efforts and support over the 12 years that she has worked in the school. She must have seen a lot of school dinners! Thank you Mrs Lilly, we wish you the very best of luck in the future.

RED NOSES

We have a supply of Red Noses in school in support of Comic Relief Day on Friday 24th March. These are £1 each and are available from the school office.

KS2 REVISION BOOKLETS FOR SALE

We still have some copies of the KS2 SATs Maths and English revision guides in school for sale. These cost £2 each and are available from the school office.

SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS 2017

We are now collecting Active Kids Vouchers in school and would be grateful if you could send these into the office – the collection box is located by reception.

Have a fantastic weekend everybody.
Mr Robson

CLASS 4: This week the children have been introduced to Growth Mind-set through a range of activities, including yoga. They have really enjoyed learning about it and many children are already beginning to use more of a growth mind-set when learning. Next week, we will be continuing to investigate persuasive writing in preparation for the debating competition on the 16th March.

CLASS 3: This week we have kicked off our new maths topic with some practical activities that the children have really enjoyed. We have used a variety of materials to create different shapes in order to classify them and have taken this learning outside.

We have started our Geography topic this week, looking at Captain James Cook. The children are really interested in this topic and have brought their own books into school to show the class, which is fantastic.

CLASS 2: Next week we will be measuring lengths, weights and capacities in Maths. We have started to learn about Charles Darwin in preparation for Science Week and next week we will be learning about *why* we remember him. We have also started an art topic focussing on brains as part of our overall Growth Mind-set topic. The children in Class 2 will be leading our Christian Value worship on Forgiveness on Wednesday 15th at 3pm. You will receive an invitation today if you would like to come along and watch.

EARLY YEARS: We have had another busy week in Early Years. We have started our new topic – growth. The children have enjoyed reading "Oliver's Vegetables" and we now have a garden centre and a café in our classroom. We also celebrated Pancake Day and World Book Day. **Homework** – To practise writing our first name and surname.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS: Felix Hudson-Chang (Y6)
Corbin Smith (Y5) Lily Janes (Y4) Oliver Hutchinson (Y3)
Matilda Owens (Y2) Kitty Sodge-Waugh (Y1) Faith Wrightson (Rec)

British Science Week 2017

British Science Week 2017 runs from 10th to the 19th March this year. The Citizen Science Projects are all things penguin-related.

For British Science Week 2017 The British Science Association are partnering with the Zooniverse project, Penguin Watch. Penguin Watch is a partnership between the University of Oxford (Penguin lifelines), Australian Antarctic Division, Darwin Initiative, Quark Expeditions, and many more.

Penguin Watch is a visual project that, with the help of the public, aims to annotate thousands of images of penguins and their habitats taken over the past three years.

Everyone can help, just log in to this website <https://www.penguinwatch.org/#/classify>

More information about what we'll be getting up to in school will follow next week! Thank you.

Mrs McManus
Science Leader

EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING

Mon 6 th February	Discoverers Early Years Parent Consultations Book Fair in School
Tues 7 th February	Early Years Parent Consultations Book Fair in School SATs Club Woodwind lessons Piano lessons
Weds 8 th February	Book Fair in School
Thurs 9 th February	Cross Country, Catterick Race Course 1-4pm Guitar Lessons
Fri 10 th February	Karate

PE TIMETABLE

Class	AFTER FEBRUARY HALF TERM
Early Years	Learning to move in different ways and to safely negotiate space.
Class 2	Gymnastics & Dance
Class 3	Dance & Hockey (outdoor kit)
Class 4	Gymnastics & Hockey (outdoor kit)

Future Inter-School Competitions

Tag Rugby Competition	Wednesday 29 th March
Swimming Gala	Wednesday 26 th April

Mini Tennis	Wednesday 10 th May
Athletics Competition	Wednesday 7 th June

CHRISTIAN VALUE

Forgiveness

St Peter's Church

Holy Communion, 8am



Lennon Howe – "You have to be strong to say sorry but you have to be stronger to forgive."

Reading: Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy seven times if you have to." Matthew 18: 21-22

ROTARY CLUB YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER COMPETITION

The Rotary Club have announced this year's competition to produce a photograph based on the theme "A Moment in Time". Please see the poster on the school noticeboard for more details or ask at the office. Closing date May 2017.

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.

MARIE CURIE CANCER CARE

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

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.

TEXTING SERVICE

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

ALLERGEN INFORMATION

This 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 us informed of any food allergies or intolerances affecting your child.

FUNDRAISING – SCHOOL ANGEL

Please don't forget to visit our school page at <http://www.schoolangel.org.uk/croft-church-of-england-primary-school.html> if you are doing any shopping. It costs you nothing to use the charity's site which is supported by many well-known UK brands – they then donate a proportion of their profit from anything you buy.

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 website croftprimaryschool.org. This gives details of the recommended periods that children should be kept away from school during specific illnesses.

SAFEGUARDING

The school's Designated Senior Person: Mr Robson
Deputy Designated Senior Persons are: **Mrs McManus**
and **Miss Wilford**.

The nominated safeguarding governor is **Mr Blenkarn**.



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<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>. Thank you for your support.

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