



CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL Achievement for Everyone

11th November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Jury Service

Thankfully, I am able to announce that my jury service ended yesterday afternoon and I will no longer be needed in court. Any of you who have completed jury service will be aware that there is a lot of waiting and I have used this time and early mornings and evenings to maintain very close contact with the school. I must thank all staff and particularly Mrs McManus for her help and support during this period.

Anti-Bullying Week 2016



Next week is anti-bullying week and staff and pupils will be using the anti-bullying alliance website to support children's learning in school. This year's theme is Power for Good! If you would like to find out more information, please visit www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk. On Thursday, Y2 pupils will be coming together with children from North and South Cowton Community School who will be visiting us to take part in an Anti-Bullying Workshop.

Remembrance Day



Today, marks the day World War One ended, at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month, back in 1918. Today, at 11am, the whole school paused as we observed a 2 minute silence to remember those who have given their lives in wars. All classes are contributing to a display in the school hall to commemorate those who have fallen.

Children in Need 2016



Our school council have been busy thinking about Children in Need 2016. They have decided that they would like pupils to wear something spotty and bring a £1 donation with them on the day to take part. Pupils and families are more than welcome to make a greater donation if they wish!

Samaritan's Purse



After sharing the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus said 'Go and do likewise.' That is the mission of Samaritan's Purse! We have had a great response to this appeal and some lovely decorated and filled shoe boxes which will be distributed to children in need around the world. Shoeboxes were collected today and are on their way – **THANK YOU!** ☺

Digital Newsletter

I hope that last week's newsletter found its way into your mailbox. If for whatever reason, you are not receiving the newsletter via email, please speak to Mrs Banks or Mrs Dent at the school office.

Only 5 more school weeks until the Christmas break; exciting times ahead! Have a great weekend everyone. ☺

Mr Robson



CHRISTMAS DIARY DATES

Sunday 11 th December	Candle Service 4.30pm St Peters Church
Monday 12 th December	Key Stage 2 Production – 6pm
Tuesday 13 th December	Early Years & Key Stage 1 Production – 10.30am & 2.30pm
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch in school Key Stage 2 Production 6pm
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Parties
Friday 16 th December	Carols Around the Tree

FLU VACCINATIONS YEARS 1, 2 AND 3

Please note that the school nurse has re-arranged her visit and will now be coming into school on **Wednesday 7th December** at 9.30am to administer a free flu vaccine to the children in Years 1, 2 and 3. The vaccine is given to the children as a nasal spray and is a painless procedure. Protecting your child can help to prevent the spread of this potentially serious illness – more information can be found at www.nhs.uk/child-flu. If you would like your child to receive this vaccine please complete the consent form and return to the school office as soon as possible.

CLASS 4: The children have written some amazing 'In Flanders Field' poems this week; they are extremely powerful and emotive. They have been working extremely hard on mastering the columnar method for subtraction and multiplication too; we will be moving onto short division methods next week. In English, we will be discussing and comparing a range of recounts so if the children have any examples they could bring in, that would be great!

CLASS 3: We have been working hard this week in Maths using different strategies to calculate multiplication and division questions. We will continue with this throughout the coming week. In English we have been working on our new topic 'Stories by the Same Author' and will be looking at a range of stories by Michael Foreman.

CLASS 2: We have been working hard to write our own stories based on "The Magic Bed." Next week we will be using "The Great Dragon Rescue" as our focus text. In Maths we will be learning that addition can be done in any order before moving onto problem solving using addition and subtraction. We will be learning about Neil Armstrong in History and herbivores, carnivores and omnivores in Science.

EARLY YEARS: We have enjoyed World Nursery Rhyme Week. Our theme continues next week with Little Miss Muffet and Incy Wincy Spider. We will be comparing 2 containers and talking about which holds more water and which holds less. Please do this at home too. We will also be talking about different materials and which ones would be good to keep us dry in the rain. We have a visitor on Monday afternoon working in our outdoor area and another visitor on Wednesday morning linked to our Nursery Rhymes theme.

† Christian values: peace, forgiveness, justice, respect †

HEADTEACHER AWARDS:

Luke Millar (Y6), Corbin Smith (Y5), Grace Crawford (Y4), Charlie Turnbull (Y3), Anna Curbeson (Y2), Ifedayo Orukotan (Y1), Ethan Banks (Rec).

EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 14th November 2016

Monday, 14 th November	
Tuesday, 15 th November	Glee Club Piano lessons Flute lesson
Wednesday, 16 th November	Violin lessons
Thursday, 17 th November	Guitar lessons Y2 Anti-Bullying Workshop
Friday, 18 th November	Karate

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

None.

CHRISTIAN VALUE: Trust

St Peter's Church Remembrance Service at 10.50am

Class Worship - Trust



Reading: "Many friends can deceive you but a real friend sticks closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24

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.

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.

Don't forget to visit our website at croftprimaryschool.org