



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**Be happy: aspire, believe, achieve**

16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

**CHILDREN IN NEED DAY**



Well done to everybody for your contributions in support of Children in Need 2018. We have raised a wonderful **£174.56!** Great work everyone. It is going to a fabulous cause.

**BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION**

Please can I remind parents that there are no staff members on the school yard until 8.50am and unaccompanied pupils should not arrive at school until 8.50am. Your child's safety is very important to us. Thank you for your support.

**READING MORNING**

Thank you to those who attended our reading morning this week, it was a real success. If you can give up any time to come in to read with children in our school we would be really grateful. If you can, please speak to Mrs Banks at the school office!

Parents have told us that they really like coming into school and finding out more about learning going on in school alongside their children. We will be holding a Maths morning soon – we hope that you can make it!

**SEND**

Mrs Carbert is currently in the final stages of achieving the National SENCO qualification. Until she completes the qualification, next term, I will be taking the lead with Special Educational Needs in the school. If you would like to talk about any matters relating to SEND, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance and they will direct you to me if required. Thank you.

**FAMILY LUNCH WEEK**

Rather than provide one day per class to come into school and experience a school lunch, we have decided to have a full week where families can choose a day to come into school and sample a school lunch. Family Lunch Week is from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Please return your form by 21<sup>st</sup> November. Thank you.

**KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Date	Time	Event
<b>Autumn Term – Second Half</b>		
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.00-12.30pm	Family Lunch Week
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30-4.00pm	Christmas enterprise Event
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.00-3.30pm	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.00-7.15pm	KS2 Christmas Production 1
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.00-1.15pm	Christmas Lunch
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.00-7.15pm	KS2 Christmas Production 2
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30-11.00am	Early Years / KS1 Christmas Production 1
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30-3.00pm	Early Years / KS1 Christmas Production 1
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15-9.45am	Community Christian Value Worship - Compassion
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	2.30-3.15pm	Carols Around the Tree Service
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	3.30pm+	School Closes for Christmas Holidays

I hope you have a lovely weekend everybody.  
**Mr Robson**

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING - SCHOOL ANGEL**

Don't forget to use School Angel on Black Friday and for all your online Christmas Shopping. We have raised over £500 for computer equipment so far using the School Angel website. Simply go to School Angel and find Croft School then click on the shop you require (some of which are listed below) and order as normal – a donation from the online store then goes to school. Please tell your friends and family!

<http://www.schoolangel.org.uk/croft-church-of-england-primary-school.html>



**OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB**

We have had a great week in the OOSC this week making all things spotty for Children in Need including Pudsey Bear ears, spotty money boxes, Pudsey bunting and lots more!

Next week we are preparing for our winter displays which will include, paper die snowflakes, shaving foam snowmen, paper craft hanging snowmen, clothes peg snowflakes and marshmallow snowmen & snow ladies.

Our after schools sports clubs are full, however there are a couple of children who have signed up for the clubs but have not yet attended, if you do not require your place please may you let Kerry know and we can then offer the space to somebody else. Thank you.

**FRIENDS OF CROFT SCHOOL**

Hello! We were due to meet this afternoon but due sickness bugs we've had to cancel... Apologies if you made it! However, we plan to put full notes of what we are up to on the Facebook group.

**WANTED** – A mum or dad who fancies trying their hand at being a Christmas DJ for the night? Go on...you know you want to! 🎧

**CHRISTMAS DISCO – FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

This year's School Disco run by Friends of Croft School will be held on FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER!! Letters have gone out this week.....



**SHOE BOX APPEAL**

Please bring filled shoeboxes to school no later than Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. There are spare leaflets in the office if anyone needs an extra one. Please note that we are unable to accept any shoe boxes in school after this date, but they may be taken to Shoe Zone in Darlington.

**SCHOOL E-MAIL ADDRESS**

Please note that our school e-mail addresses have recently changed – if you wish to contact the school by e-mail please now use the following address – thank you.

[admin@croft.dalesmat.org](mailto:admin@croft.dalesmat.org)

## TWITTER

### **YOU ARE MISSING OUT IF YOU ARE NOT FOLLOWING US ON TWITTER!**

Each class also has a twitter account now too!

It's easy to create an account! @CroftCofE



## EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> November	NO Discoverers Book Fair 3.30-4.00pm
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Piano Lessons Full GB meeting 6pm
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup> November	
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Flu vaccines R-Year 5 (if parental consent given) Guitar Lessons
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Lasy day for shoeboxes to school.

## Christian Value – Compassion

*"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love."*  
Psalm 145:8

Church Service Holy Communion 11am – St Peter's Church

## Art Gallery

### CLASS 4:

We have had another extremely busy and exciting week in Class 4. This week in Maths, the children have been interpreting and drawing line graphs, as well as starting a newspaper article based upon Beowulf in English. In topic, we have been analysing the decision of the Anglo-Saxons to establish a kingdom in Northumbria and have been comparing the digestive systems of different animals in science.

### CLASS 3:

Class three have had a great week. In English they have been designing information leaflets for outdoor games. They have super imaginative ideas - a lot of them involve mud! In maths we have been focusing on times tables. Our favourite part was definitely singing and dancing to times tables songs. In science we looked at the different functions of the digestive system. Some of us became doctors for the afternoon. Diagnosing problems with our digestive system for different symptoms. We even had chance to start rehearsing our Christmas songs. It won't be long before we are singing them at home! Thank you to those of you who had chance to visit our stay and read. The children really enjoyed the opportunity to share their books with you. We hope you enjoyed it too.

### CLASS 2:

This week we have been making 2D and 3D shapes in maths using cocktail sticks and marshmallows. The children enjoyed making these and were able to understand the properties of the shape they created. We have finished writing our fantasy stories this week and have focused on editing and improving our work in year 2. Year 1 have focused more on building sentences. It has been a positive week for writing for everyone. In art, we have created some fantastic 'Nina' ships as part of our Christopher Columbus topic. Next week we will begin rehearsing for the Christmas performance. Scripts will be coming home soon.

### EARLY YEARS:

The children have really enjoyed learning about super heroes this week. Next week we will be look at real life heroes such as vets, nurses and police. We will have a visit from Seth and Daniels Mum who works for the dogs trust. She will talk to us about her role. In maths the children will begin to look at simple addition. This week we welcomed Leeds University student Georgia Hirst. She will be with us for 3 weeks and then will join us again for her final placement after Christmas. She will be involved in teaching the children over the next few weeks.

## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ellen Newtyon(Y6) Harvey Campling (Y5) Finaly Hagan (Y4) Zachary Robinson (Y3) Poppy Harrison (Y2) Michelle Olaoye (Y1) Noah Davis (R)

## 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.

## SAFEGUARDING

The school's Designated Senior Person and Online Safety Leader: Mr Robson

Deputy Designated Senior People are: Miss Wilford & Mr Williams.

The nominated safeguarding governor is Mr Blenkharn.



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