



CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Achievement for Everyone

16th December 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy week!

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Well done to all of the children for their amazing acting, singing and teamwork in the Early Years and KS1 Nativity and KS2 Alice the Musical performances. It has been such a brilliant week and everybody is feeling like Christmas is now here.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

We will have another opportunity for parents, carers and families to attend a Friday Celebration Worship in the New Year. **We will let parents and carers know via the newsletter of any dates when parents will be able to attend.** Please watch this space. We would also like to invite parents into school to attend pupil-led Christian Value Workshops in the future too and we will inform you of the dates of these in the New Year. Viv Waugh, our Foundation Governor, has also kindly offered to lead a Worship in Church on the final Thursday of each half term. Families will be able to attend these services and we will provide parents with the dates of these services in January.

Christmas Lunch

Well done and thank you to Mrs Breeze, Mrs Geldard, Mrs Lilly and staff for making this year's Christmas Dinner a huge success. Also, thank you to Mrs Brown for writing our Grace prayer which was said before our meal. Only two Brussel sprouts were found on the floor!

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY 2016

Thank you to all who wore Christmas Jumpers today! The school council are really pleased as we have managed to raise a fantastic £86.

School Performance Tables



**Department
for Education**

School performance tables

School league tables have been published yesterday. Please click the following link to look at the school's performance in relation to National figures.

<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/121485>

It makes for pretty good reading. Well done everybody.

Candle Service

Thank you to Reverend Jenni for leading the Candle Service on Sunday and to all of the pupils and staff who made it such a great success. The Church looked amazing too.

Have a brilliant Christmas everybody. We look forward to seeing the children again on Wednesday 4th January 2017! Merry Christmas!



FUNDRAISING

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 Christmas 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.

CLASS 4: We have had a fantastic final week of term! The children performed brilliantly for their production of Alice the Musical on Monday and Wednesday; they have completed some super Christmas stories for their portfolios and they have done very well in their Rising Stars SPaG post challenges. We hope you have a very Merry Christmas – you deserve it! ☺

CLASS 3 : We have been writing persuasive letters to Father Christmas this week . The children have worked really hard and focussed on improving their handwriting. We have really enjoyed performing in our Christmas Candle Service this year and creating seasonal calendars for 2017 to take home.

Merry Christmas from Class 3 ☺

CLASS 2: Thank you for all of your support this term, it has been a busy one! The children have enjoyed making their Christmas cards and calendars this week, we hope you like them. Over Christmas please continue to practise number facts including bonds to 10 and 20, doubles of numbers to 10 and the corresponding facts to 100 and counting in twos, threes, fives and tens. Have a very Merry Christmas everyone x

EARLY YEARS:

What a busy but lovely week! We have enjoyed lots of Christmas activities. Please share your reading and library books over the holidays. Reception children continue to play your word games too. We would like to thank you for your support this term. Thank you all so much for your cards, gifts and best wishes. It is really appreciated. Happy Christmas ☺

HEADTEACHER AWARDS:

Eva Barnett (Y6) Demi Fortune (Y5) (Y4) Scarlett Farrow (Y3) Alfie Robinson (Y2) Millie Harrison (Y1) William Goldsbrough (Rec)

EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 2nd January 2017

Mon 2 nd January	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 3 rd January	STAFF TRAINING DAY
Weds 4 th January	SCHOOL OPENS TO CHILDREN
Thurs 5 th January	
Fri 6 th January	NO Karate

THERE WILL BE NO MUSIC LESSONS THE FIRST WEEK OF TERM

CHRISTIAN VALUE Compassion

Heavenly Father

As we gather in love this Christmas time, let us be thankful for the blessing of our family and friends. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, we ask that you bless this Christmas season, O Lord, in Jesus' name.
Amen.

St Peter's Church- 11am Holy Communion

ONLINE PAYMENTS

Next term we will be accepting on-line payments for school lunches and visits etc. Details later.

CROFT CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday 17th December from 4.00-6.00pm at Croft Village Hall. Tickets are £6 (£3 for under 2's) and need to be requested in advance please from Tiff Norris on 07779 346254.

ST PETERS CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Xmas Tree Festival at St. Peter's Church.

Church open for viewing on 17th and 18th December, 2-4 pm Refreshments available.

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.

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



Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's school. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected. If you would like to share your views online, please click the following link to register.

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

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