



CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Achievement for Everyone

17th November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,
We are already 3 weeks into the half term. It will be Nativities before we know it!

AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Date	Timings	Event
8/12/17	6.00-8.00pm	Friends of Croft School Christmas Disco
10/12/17	4pm	Candle Service, St Peter's Church
13/12/17	2.30pm-4.00pm	Christmas Enterprise Event
13/12/17	6pm	Nativity on the Farm, Grange Farm Croft Christmas Trees
18/12/17	6.00-7.15pm	KS2 Christmas Production 1
19/12/17	Midday	Christmas Lunch
19/12/17	6.00-7.15pm	KS2 Christmas Production 2
20/12/17	10.30-11.00am	Early Years and KS1 Christmas Production 1
20/12/17	2.30-3.00pm	Early Years and KS1 Christmas Production 2
21/12/17	9.15-9.30am	Community Christian Values Collective Worship (St Peter's Church)
21/12/17	afternoon	Christmas Parties
22/12/17	2.30-3.15pm	Carols Around the Tree Service

WW1 FAMILY EVENT

Last week's Class WW1 family event was a great success. Families had the opportunity to contribute to the British Legion by purchasing some of the children's wonderful poppy designs and it was lovely to see pupils and adults working together to create model WW1 aeroplanes. Thank you to Mrs Leggott for supporting us with our singing of WW1 related songs. The afternoon was a real success and other classes will follow suit in the future. Thank you to all who attended.

FOLLOW CROFTCOFE ON TWITTER!



Our school twitter site continues to grow. I regularly add images, tweet and retweet to showcase some of the things that are going on in school. Even if you do not have twitter, please consider getting an account just so you can keep up to date with things that. We only post to people whose families are known to the school! Click here to get a your own twitter account!
Ctrl and click here www.twitter.com/

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Thank you to parents and carers for continuing to support the school and following our school uniform policy.
You are now able to order school uniform on line from Emblematic Ltd who are our current uniform suppliers. Postage is free for orders

delivered to school. Items can be viewed and ordered at: <https://studentuniform.co.uk/croft146>

Please note that we do still have a number of jumpers, cardigans and waterproof coats in stock in school.

PARVOVIRUS/SLAPPED CHEEK

We currently have a case of parvovirus/slapped cheek in school. We would be grateful if you would inform the school if your child is diagnosed with this.

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.

SCHOOL MONEY PAYMENTS

Please ensure that any **outstanding money owed** for school lunches or the Out of School Club are settled as soon as possible – thank you.

BOOK FAIR AND READING

The book fair is going really well. Remember, whatever is spent over £300 is price-matched and this goes directly back into school. Keep spending! We are always looking for parents and carers to help in school. If you are able to offer any time to read with children or anything else, please contact the school office. Also, if children have any 'high-quality almost new' reading books that they would like to donate to the school, we would be very interested in them – non-fiction or fiction! Thank you.

CHILDREN IN NEED



There were some wonderfully spotty children in school today. It is always lovely to see children and families creating their own designs in support of such a worthwhile cause. So far we have raised £141.35!!

ART AND CREATIVITY

We are very fortunate to have Mrs Halliday and Mrs Donoghue who are very skilled staff in leading Art across the school. Mrs Donoghue has been working really hard with our pupils to create a wonderful art gallery in our waiting area in school. Please pop in at any point to have a look. If you would like to reserve and purchase any pre-framed art work, please speak to the school office or Mrs Donoghue. All profits will go towards future creative projects. Thank you.

ROAD SAFETY



We often have concerns from families and local residents relating to road safety. Next week is Road Safety week and we have a member of the Local Authority's Road Safety Team coming into school on Tuesday morning to launch the week. For more information, please visit: www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk - the theme is 'speed down saves lives'. We will also be revealing our school's Junior Road Safety Officers. Watch this space!

As ever, I am available each morning on the school yard to chat or if you would like to make an appointment, please speak to Mrs Dent/Mrs Banks at the school office. Have a lovely weekend everybody.
Mr Robson

GOSPEL CHOIR EVENING

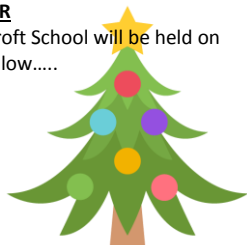
St Peter's Church, Croft, is holding a Gospel Choir evening on Saturday 18th November at 7pm. Tickets cost £10 (includes glass of wine and nibbles) and are available from Alison Kennedy on 07918140952/alisonmkennedy777@gmail.com

ST PETER'S CHURCH WITH CROFT CHRISTMAS TREES NATIVITY

There will be a Nativity at Grange Farm, Croft on Wednesday 13th December from 6pm. Refreshments available. Children welcome to dress up as shepherds, kings or angels.

CHRISTMAS DISCO – FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

This years School Disco run by Friends of Croft School will be held on FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER!! More details to follow.....



CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

There will be a production of Cinderella at The Croft Hotel on Wednesday 20th December at 6pm. Tickets cost £8 for adults, £4 for children and are available from Sue Coates on 721014/susan1.coates@yahoo.co.uk

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Please remember to take a look at our School Angel site as you start to do your Christmas Shopping..... Our School Angel fund has now reached over £200 and we are looking forward to using the money raised to improve our ICT facilities in school.

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



Here is just a **small** sample of retailers that are listed on the site. The retailer donates a proportion of their profit to school from anything purchased and you get exactly the same deal as if you had visited the retailer directly. You are not required to create an account or provide any personal details.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT WORKSHOPS

A one day card making workshop is being held on Sunday 9th November at Croft Village Hall from 10am-4pm. Please see the poster on our school noticeboard for more details – the cost which includes all materials and lunch, refreshments and home made cakes is £40, Please contact Georgie Sale on 07886 277675 or georgiesale@btinternet.com to book a place.

ilearncreative will be running Christmas Gift workshops where the children can make gifts for family and friends. The workshops will be held at Croft Village Hall in November and December - there will be separate sessions for pre-school children and for children aged 7-11. Pre-booking is essential – for more information please see the posters on our school noticeboard or contact Denise on 07971 343249 or email ilearncreative@gmail.com.

EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 20th NOVEMBER 2017

Mon 20 th November	Book Fair (last day) NO Discoverers Piano lessons
Tues 21 st November	
Weds 22 nd November	
Thurs 23 rd November	Class 3 Christian Value Worship 3pm Guitar Zumba
Fri 24 th November	Karate Boxercise

LUNCHTIME SPORTS

Monday	Multi Sports with Nathan Fisher
Tuesday	Football with Mr Robinson
Wednesday	KS2 - Tag Rugby with Nathan Fisher KS1 – Sports Crew with Mrs Marksby
Thursday	High Five Netball with Mrs Jewkes
Friday	Sports Crew with Mrs Marksby

Full PE kit is required for all sessions including football boots and shin pads for football and rugby.

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

St Peter's Church Holy Communion 11am

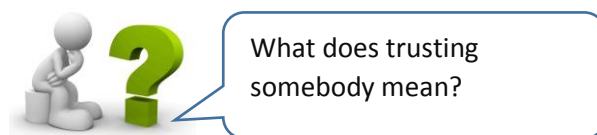
Christian Value – TRUST



"Trusting someone means you know they tell the truth"
Finlay Hagan Y3

Dear God, help us to put our trust in you, Amen.
Millie Harrison Y3

THE BIG WEEKLY QUESTION...



CLASS 4:

Class 4 have made some amazing flip books this week to show off their skills in drawing moving figures, they loved videoing movement with spears (foam javelins!) as inspiration. We have been looking at <https://www.literacyshed.com/for-the-birds.html> and a video called "For the Birds" as a focus for our writing this week; next week we will be writing persuasive letters. In Maths we have started work on reading and

interpreting line graphs. Next week we will be drawing accurate line graphs, reading and interpreting tables and looking at the parts of a circle.

CLASS 3:

The children have had an amazing week this week making their volcanoes and watching them erupt! It has been a wonderful way to start our new topic! We will be having a 'Big Write' morning on Monday and will be writing our Non-Chronological report on our Hero. We will then be finalising our instructions for 'How to make a model volcano'. In Maths, we will be moving onto fractions. Our P.E. days are Tuesday and Friday, when the children don't have P.E. with Nathan on a Wednesday afternoon. Next week, they will have P.E. on Wednesday afternoon. They will need their outdoor and indoor P.E. kit so that we are prepared for any weather. It is our Christian Value on Thursday next week. Please join us for our worship at 3.00pm. The children will be choosing the Christian Value from our core values and planning it themselves.

CLASS 2:

This week we have been looking at a short story from the Literacy Shed 'For the birds'. This was used to provoke thoughts around bullying for anti-bullying week. This led to some fantastic drama and written dialogue from the children.

We have continued with our work on the four operations this week, with a particular focus on related facts. The children are making great progress when applying these to word problems.

Homework handed in this week was super yet again. The children are putting so much effort into this each week that we have created a gallery in class to enable us to show it off!

Finally, if you could please take the time to complete the PE survey. It means a lot to the school to have the extra money for PE equipment and your support is very much appreciated.

EARLY YEARS:

The children in EYFS have really enjoyed reading the story 'Whatever Next' this week. They have been working on answering how and why questions about the text, deciding whether they think baby bear really did go to the moon and thinking about what they would pack if they were to go to the moon. The Reception children have had their flu vaccination and sight tests this week, well done on being so brave! All children enjoyed getting a library book this week. Please don't forget to bring this back to be changed every **Wednesday**. If your child does not come to Nursery on a Wednesday, we will arrange another day to change their book. Reception will be coming home with a "learning at home" book this week. Please see the letter that will come home with the book for further information. Nursery children will receive a "busy book" next week – more information will be given on this when it is given out. Thank you for your continued support 😊.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS: Janey Hindmarch (Y6) Jenna Thomas (Y5) Harvey Campling (Y4) Millie Harrison (Y3) Skyla Seggar (Y2) Etienne Leyreloup (Y1) Josh Akers (Rec)

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 Persons are: **Mrs McManus and Miss Wilford.**

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



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