



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

**21<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

**SCHOOL PERFORMANCES**

What an amazing week we have had. This year's performances were wonderful. The effort that everybody went to to make it such a success has been incredible. Thank you to parents for your support and ensuring that pupils had all the right costumes - from donkeys to shepherds to rodents! We all hope that you had a fabulous time.

**SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

Christmas Lunch this year was fabulous. Thank you to everybody who helped. I was serving custard and gravy so I apologise if anybody got gravy in their dessert and vice versa!

**PERCOVICH FAMILY**

We send our prayers and wishes to The Percovich Family this Christmas. Some have placed flowers beside the memorial bench and the school gates will be open during the holidays should anybody wish to visit it. Our angels have been shining brightly on our Christmas tree and have been a comfort during this time.

**TOP OF THE LEAGUE**

I am extremely pleased to announce that Croft School finished top of the league table in North Yorkshire this year! This is out of over 370 schools. It is an amazing achievement. There is an article in The Northern Echo today! I am very proud of pupils, staff and parents. Onwards and upwards! Thank you for all of your support.

**SCHOOL MONEY**

The menus for lunches for next term are now on School Money. It helps the kitchen enormously if the choices are on before the start of term so we would be really grateful if everyone could do this no later than Fri 4<sup>th</sup> January – thank you.

Paper statements and e-mails have been sent out this week detailing balances owed – please ensure any outstanding amounts due are paid as soon as possible and no later than Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

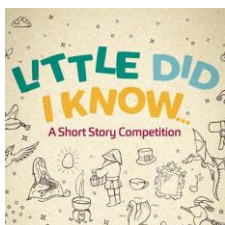
**KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Date	Time	Event
<b>Spring Term</b>		
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Staff Professional Development Day
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan		<b>PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Class 3 Bowes Museum Trip
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan		Y5/Y6 Tag Rugby Richmond School
22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb		Swimming Gala, Richmond Pool <b>CLOSE FOR HALF TERM</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> March		<b>SCHOOL OPEN</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> March		Comic Relief Red Nose Day
30 <sup>th</sup> March		Easter Fair
1 <sup>st</sup> April		Book Fair Delivered
9 <sup>th</sup> April		School Photographer – Class & Sports Groups
12 <sup>th</sup> April		<b>SCHOOL CLOSES</b>

*I hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and we look forward to another successful year in 2019! Pupils return to school on **TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> January.***

**Mr Robson**

**COMPETITION TIME**



Free time over Christmas? Why don't you start to write your own 500 word story beginning 'Little did I know ...'. More details to follow in January. Happy writing!

**FRIENDS OF CROFT SCHOOL**

Thank you to all of you who helped over the past few weeks (from disco volunteers to raffle ticket buyers!) Wishing you all a very merry Christmas 🎄 from all of us at Friends of Croft School!! Looking forward to some fun times with you all in 2019!! 🎉

**SHELTER**

Evelyn and Felix Bethell and their family would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along to help raise money for Shelter, a charity that supports the homeless. They held a Mulled Wine & Mince Pie sale, and with the support of local supermarkets who donated mince pies and other things, they managed to raise an amazing £200! Well done.

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING - SCHOOL ANGEL**

Don't forget to use School Angel 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**

I would just like to say a huge Thank You for all our Christmas cards and gifts, the OOSC staff and I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

We will be open on the training day Monday 7<sup>th</sup> and if you require a space then please leave a message on the OOSC number, which is 722615.

**SCHOOL E-MAIL ADDRESS**

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 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

- Mon 7<sup>th</sup> January TRAINING DAY
- Tues 8<sup>th</sup> January Piano (Class 3 only)
- Weds 9<sup>th</sup> January
- Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> January
- Fri 11<sup>th</sup> January

### Christian Value – Compassion



How will you show compassion this Christmas?

### Church Service St Peter's Church, 11am Community Worship

**CLASS 4:** What a busy and exciting week we have had in Class 4. We have written diary entries from the perspective of a Viking during their raids of Lindisfarne, researched the effects of smoking and alcohol on the human body and also completed challenging Christmas maths tasks. However, by far the most exciting thing this week was the amazing performance of Kitty Wittington. All the children were superb and should be extremely proud of themselves. Thank you all so much for the delicious Christmas party food and for the lovely gifts we have received in Class 4. Have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

**CLASS 3** The children have had a really busy week to end the term. We hope they have enjoyed it as much as we have. Thank you for all for your support at the Christmas play, community worship and carols around the tree it was so lovely to see so many of you there. The children had a wonderful time at their party yesterday. Thank you for the delicious food – the children all had a feast! Thank you also for the cards and gifts we have received, you are very kind. We hope you and your families have a fun filled Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

**CLASS 2** I think this has been the busiest week EVER in class 2. We are all exhausted! It has been amazing. We have written a day in the life of the naughty elf, which had the children's attention from day one. It's been exciting to say the least. The children were outstanding in the performance this week and I'm sure they all slept well on the night. I know I did. The Christmas party was super and we all had fun. Thank you all for bringing in the food. A huge thank you from all the staff in Class 2 for your support this term and for the wonderful Christmas gifts. We have been truly spoilt. Have a wonderful Christmas ☺

### EARLY YEARS:

It has been such a busy week! Thank you to all of the parents who attended the "Stay and Play" session on Tuesday. It was fab! Big thank you for all of the donations, I will be looking for climbing frames over the Christmas holidays. The children were amazing in the performance this week. I am sure you were as proud as us! The Christmas party was lovely and there were some epic dance moves! A huge thank you from all the staff in EYFS for your support this term and for the lovely Christmas gifts. We hope everyone has a lovely Christmas and a happy new year ☺.

### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

(Y6)Ellen-Jean Monaghan (Y5)Olivia Curbeson (Y4) Oscar Warr (Y3) Skyla Segger (Y2)Isla Thomas (Y1) Max Dobby (R) Daniel Chapel

### 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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