



CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Achievement for Everyone

24th November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,
Only **4 more weeks** until we break up for Christmas holidays!

PARENT SURVEYS

Thank you so much to those who have already completed and returned our recently distributed surveys. Governors and I would like to receive as many completed surveys as possible so we can gather as much information as we can about what we do and how we can continue to improve. **Please spare 5 minutes this weekend to complete your form. It means a lot to us!** Thank you. 😊

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

FRIDAY CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Next week we would like to invite parents, carers and family members into school to share our Friday Celebration Worship. Please stay behind after children have been brought into school if you wish. The worship begins at 9.10am and tea and coffee will be available until 10am. Please let us know if you are coming. Thank you.

FOLLOW CROFTCOFE ON TWITTER!

Thank you to parents who have joined us on Twitter this week!



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.

CHICKENPOX

We currently have a case of chickenpox in school. We would be grateful if you would inform the school if your child is diagnosed with this as soon as possible. Thank you!

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. Thank you.

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.

ROAD SAFETY

We had our Road Safety Assembly this week and introduced the school to our Junior Road Safety Officers – Lucy Mulcrone and Jake Priestley. They are working hard planning a Road Safety Noticeboard and are also planning a competition for after Christmas. They have asked that everyone remembers the important message from our assembly which is “Be Bright, Be Seen” – remember to make yourself visible to cars – just like Kevin the cat!!



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

ST PETER'S CHURCH WITH CROFT CHRISTMAS TREES NATIVITY

There will be a Nativity at Grange Farm, Croft Christmas Trees 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!! Letters have gone out this week – please return all requests for tickets to the school office **no later than Monday 4th December – thank you.**



TEA TOWELS

This week the children have all drawn a self-portrait, along with pictures of staff, which will be made into a tea-towel which the Friends will be selling at the Enterprise Fair.

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.



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 27th NOVEMBER 2017

Mon 27 th November	Discoverers
Tues 28 th November	Piano lessons
Weds 29 th November	
Thurs 30 th November	Guitar Zumba
Fri 1 st December	Celebration Worship, 9.10am ALL WELCOME 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

School Lunches & Online Menu Ordering
Christms Cake Making (Y6 children)
Friends Disco

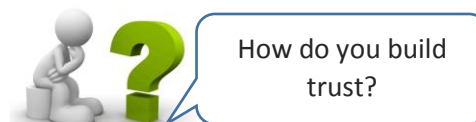
St Peter's Church Morning Prayer 11am

Christian Value – TRUST



"You have to be able to trust someone to help if you have a problem".
Martha Bainbridge Y4

THE BIG WEEKLY QUESTION...



CLASS 4: The children have been given their parts in the Christmas Performance this week. I have been so impressed to see groups of children practising at break times and the first run through of songs was amazing! Please continue to learn lines over the weekend for more rehearsals next week. Letters for clothing will be sent out early next week. We have written some very persuasive letters in English this week to get the little birds to stop bullying Big Bird. Next week we will be looking at character description from Beowulf. In Maths we have been looking at line graphs and tables. Next week we are moving on to look at pie charts and parts of a circle. We will be looking at irreversible changes in Science.

CLASS 3:
The children were amazing yesterday when sharing our Christian Value worship on Koinonia. Thank you to those who came in to watch, it was lovely to see you. A special thank you to Anya Shearn who wrote the script for the Bible story at home and to Jack Maxey for writing the final prayer. You did a brilliant job, well done!
In Maths, the children have worked really hard learning about fractions this week and this work will continue next week. In English, we will be writing newspaper reports on the eruption of Mount Vesuvius which destroyed the city of Pompeii. We will be starting to rehearse for our Candle Service which takes place on Sunday 10th of December at 4pm at St Peter's Church, Croft. Please practise speaking and singing at home. Thank you!

CLASS 2:
This week we have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes in Maths. The children are beginning to identify and classify shapes using the correct vocabulary. We completed our writing from anti-bullying week, creating a diary entry in the role of 'Big Bird'. The children have shown passion for this subject which is reflected in their writing. Year one spellings this week will be numbers in words from one to ten. This is an area we will continue to focus on as part of place value and it would be great for the children to practise at home too. Next Friday we will be creating our own lunch boxes as part of our DT project based on 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch'. If you have any spare shoe boxes at home, please send them in for the children to be creative with. Many Thanks

EARLY YEARS:
This week the children have really enjoyed learning more about space and some of the children really enjoyed making space rockets using the junk modelling. This week all children completed writing for a writing journal that will follow them through school. The children produced some wonderful writing and drawings about their hero. Next week will be focusing on 'Frozen'. Please see the 'What we are learning this week' sheet for more information on this. In Maths we will be working on addition, counting two groups of objects to work out the total. Nursery children will bring home a 'Busy Book' today. Please see the inside of the book for more information on this. There will be a Stay and Play session taking place at

some point before the end of term. Please look out for a letter confirming the date.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS: (Y6) Luca Petch (Y5) Charlotte Shield (Y4) Charlie Turnbull (Y3) Aidan Patterson (Y2) Rory Hagan (Y1) Faith Wrightson (Rec) Hannah Clarke

ART GALLERY:

Following on from the launch of the Art Gallery, our budding artists currently displaying their beautiful, framed masterpieces are as follows:

Emily Suffell - 'World War One'

Daniel Bell - 'Remembrance'

Ella Janes - 'Poppy'

Aidan Patterson - 'Flanders Field'

Alfie Robinson - 'Poppy in Pen'

Ollie Graham - 'Skyline'

William Ford - 'Autumn'

Heidi Campling - 'Winter'

William Goldsbrough - 'Poppy Craft'

Darcy Todd - 'Fireworks'

Well done to all of you. Your work looks absolutely stunning. Parents are welcome to come and visit the gallery.

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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