



**CROFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**Achievement for Everyone**

7<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

Only 2 weeks to go until the end of this half term!

**Harvest Festival**

St Peter's Church will hold a Harvest Service on Sunday at 11am. We hope to see as many families at the service as possible! On Tuesday, we will hold our own Harvest service in school at 2.45pm. This will be followed by the sale of donated produce and soup, rolls and apple crumble made by the children of the school. All proceeds will go to the Send a Cow Project.



We hope that you can make it!

**Uniform**

Thank you so much for your support with uniform in response to last week's reminder. ☺

**Open Door Policy**

Each morning we have an open door policy where parents/carers have an opportunity to pop into school to speak to their child's class teacher or teaching assistant. The doors must be closed by 9am so that our teaching staff can begin teaching. I also make myself available each day until 9.15am should you have any concerns. If these times are not suitable, or if your conversation is more than passing on a short message, please speak to Mrs Dent at the office to make an appointment. Thank you for your continued support.

**Peter Barron**

Thank you to Peter Barron for coming into school on Monday to work with our KS2 pupils and help them write a newspaper article about the head teacher being abducted by aliens! Peter Barron has also written a series of books called Monstrous Morals which are available on Amazon or, if you would like to purchase signed copies, please speak to Mrs Dent!

**Reminder**

Parental Consultations will be held **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October** and **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** between 3.45 and 6.00pm. On **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October** consultation timetables will be displayed at the pupil entrances for parents/carers to choose their preferred times.

**It's Twins!**

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Lancaster has **two** new additions to her family! We congratulate Mrs Lancaster and her family on the birth of Joshua and George. We are all looking forward to meeting them. ☺

Have a fantastic weekend!

**Mr Robson**

**CLASS 4:** What a productive week! The children enjoyed our trip to Crucial Crew at RAF Leeming on Tuesday, and were inspired by our visitor Peter Barron on Monday. The children have almost finished their Peter Barron inspired books, which they will have time to finish next week. Next week, we will be making apple crumbles for our harvest festival on Tuesday.

**CLASS 3:** This week in Maths we will be looking at different methods of addition and subtraction to extend the children's learning further. In English we will be continuing with instructions and explanations and how we use verbs as part of an instruction.

In ICT we will be looking at e-safety and the importance of being safe on social media. We will be watching a video clip showing why it is important to not put personal details on the internet.

On Tuesday we will be baking bread for Harvest Festival.

**CLASS 2:** We will be practising our Harvest performance, please practise your lines over the weekend if you have them. Our PE days are Thursday and Friday; please ensure children have socks and trainers until the end of this half term. In Maths we will be moving onto addition and subtraction. In English we are working on writing labels, lists and posters. On Tuesday we will be making vegetable soup for the Harvest Festival.

**EARLY YEARS:**

Next week we will continue our harvest and 'Autumn' theme. Thank you so much for the wonderful items you gathered and sent in for our Autumn display. In Maths we will be using Numicon alongside objects to count with, and whiteboards. In Literacy we will be reading and talking about books related to our theme and discussing characters, the setting and main events. We hope to continue to develop the creative thinking and problem solving skills by challenging the children to make different obstacle courses. There may also be more music concerts and ticket making along the way! We will be making carrot and coriander soup too. ☺

**HEADTEACHER AWARDS:**

**Holly Preston (Y6), Oliver Hirst (Y5), Ellen-Jean Monaghan (Y4), Pietro Percovich (Y3), Matilda Owens (Y2), Ava Holmes (Y1), Faith Wrightson (Rec)**

**EVENTS WEEK COMMENCING 10th OCTOBER 2016**

|                         |                  |
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| Monday, 10th October    | Discoverers      |
| Tuesday, 11th October   | Harvest Festival |
|                         | Glee Club        |
|                         | Piano lessons    |
|                         | Flute lesson     |
| Wednesday, 12th October | Violin lessons   |
| Thursday, 13th October  | Guitar lessons   |
| Friday, 14th October    | Karate           |

**LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK**

Y5/Y6 Girls Football Tournament  
Harvest Festival Details

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

The Friends of Croft School will be holding a belated MacMillan coffee afternoon from 2.45 until 3.30 on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Donations of cakes would be appreciated. Please support this worthy cause.

## **CROFT OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB**

**October half term holidays Special Offer! Full day £20 or half day £10. All children are welcome.**

The Club will open from 8am to 6pm Monday 24<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October. A flexible half day will be offered too (10am to 3pm). Kerry and Emma are working on a fun packed activity programme now, which will include sports sessions with professional coaches every day. Please book early. Tel: 01325 722615 for more details or to request an activity programme.

**CHRISTIAN VALUE:** Generosity

**St Peter's Church** Harvest Festival Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October,  
11am ALL WELCOME

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

Harvest Festival in school 11<sup>th</sup> October 2.30PM  
ALL WELCOME

## **Class Worship - Thankfulness**



Scarlett Farrow – Class 3 “I am thankful for the world. I am not thankful for one thing, I am thankful for all that God has given me.”

Reading: “Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and thanks, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.” Revelation 4:11

## **FLU VACCINATIONS YEARS 1, 2 AND 3**

The school nurse will be visiting school on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November to administer a free flu vaccine to the children in Years 1, 2 and 3. The vaccine is given to the children as a nasal spray and is a painless procedure. Protecting your child can help to prevent the spread of this potentially serious illness – more information can be found at [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu). If you would like your child to receive this vaccine please complete the consent form and return to the school office as soon as possible.

## **SHOE BOX APPEAL**



We have been asked by Samaritan's Purse if we would take part again in their Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Campaign. This involves filling a covered shoebox with items suitable for children e.g. crayons, pencils, notebooks, wrapped sweets, socks, soap etc. If you would like to send a filled box or have items that would go into a box, the school will be acting as a collection point. We would also appreciate empty shoe boxes which we can make up in school. Please mark your box with

the sex and age of the child it is suitable for and send it/them into school by early November.

**IF ANYONE HAS A FILLED BOX THESE CAN NOW BE LEFT AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

## **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 [croftprimaryschool.org](http://croftprimaryschool.org). This gives details of the recommended periods that children should be kept away from school during specific illnesses.

Don't forget to visit our website at [croftprimaryschool.org](http://croftprimaryschool.org)

*† Christian values: peace, forgiveness, justice, respect †*