

CROXTETH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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19.10.17 NEWSLETTER

Always in our thoughts

It has been a difficult week for everyone at school, in the community and especially for the family of Scott. School sends its deepest condolences to his family and friends during this very difficult time.

Bereavement Support

We have been given a range of support links to provide to parents and staff which you may find useful:

Child Death Help line: 08088006019 or 0800282986
(7-10pm weekdays Tues/Wed
10-4 Mon/Thurs 10-1pm)
Alder Centre 0151252531
Bereavement Team 01512525117

<https://childbereavementuk.org>
<https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/>
<https://www.liverpoolcamhs.com/support/oakleaf-children-and-young-people-loss-and-grief-counselling/>

Parent Drop In

Joan Brennan from Liverpool Bereavement Services will be holding a morning drop in for parents on Wednesday 1st November. She will offer support, advice and information to anyone who needs it.

Behaviour Policy Changes

As mentioned in the last newsletter, I have sent out a copy of the school charter that will be displayed around the school along with our new school rules and values. I would appreciate any comments that you have on the charter and will amend the document to take account of any suggestions if necessary. The full policy will be available on our new school website when it becomes live.

KS1 and KS2 SATS and Year 1 Phonics Screening Tests

These will take place in May – please can we ensure that the children are in school during that entire month.

Uniform and PE kit

We still have a large number of pupils who are not wearing PE kit in lessons. Please can you

ensure all children have the correct kit, which is clearly named so that they can change and be comfortable for day. Kit is available to purchase from Jackie at the office.

Again can we please remind parents that coloured trainers **are not** part of the school uniform and should not be worn to school.

Water Bottles

Children have access to water throughout the day to ensure that they are hydrated and can sustain good concentration levels. Children are permitted to bring in plastic water bottles for water (not juice or fizzy drinks) which can be used in lessons and carried to PE lessons.

Punctuality and Attendance

Last week's attendance figures were 95% - a vast improvement from the end of last term. It is still short of the national expectation of 97% but I am sure you will continue to work with us to ensure that we remain as close to that figure as possible. As you are already aware, we are judged on this. If children are not in school they are not learning – and this is paramount. Holiday requests during term time, will regretfully, not be authorised.

Please can I remind you that school starts at 8:55 and children need to be in on time so that they are ready for the school day. Too many children are continually missing the first lesson of the school day which has a massive effect on their education.

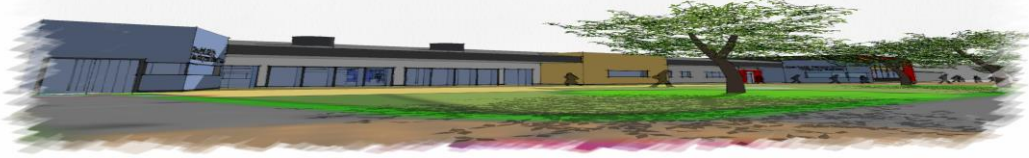


Website and App Update

A new school website is currently being built and will take a few weeks to become live.

Free School Meals

Thank you to everyone who has completed the free school meal entitlement forms last week. Jackie has been busy checking out each and every one. Remember, if your family circumstances change then please see Jackie at the office who will submit another application.



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Enjoy a free lunch with your child.

After the break, school will be offering parents the opportunity to come and try our new school dinners for free with their children. You should have received a letter with

Reading

Reading is the key to unlocking learning! Listening to your child read for 5/10 minutes daily can make a vast difference to your child's education.

Diary Dates

20.10.17	Break up for Half Term
30.10.17	Return to school
1.11.17	Early Years and KS1 Parents Evening
2.11.17	KS2 Parents Evening
30/31.10.17	Year 5/6 trip to the museum
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31.11.17	Halloween School Disco KS1 4-4:45pm KS2 5-6pm
2/3.11.17	Parent and child lunches
23.11.17	School council visit Houses of Parliament
24.11.17	Year 5/6 Dance Festival
7.12.17	Book Fair (all week)
10.12.17	Croxth Hall Christmas Service
20.12.17	Christmas Party Day
21.12.17	School Closes 2pm Finish

Local Authority Review

The review has been reorganised for the spring term. Date will be given when they have been finalised with the Local Authority.

Parents Evening

Parents evening is scheduled in for 1st/2nd November. Letters have been sent out. If you have not received one then please ask your child's class teacher for a copy of the letter.

Dojo Awards

Last week we had our first child to reach the magic 50 dojos and received their bronze award. A huge well done to Ellie McGrath, Skye Naylor, Isabelle Eustrace, Keigan Cubbon, Filip Szostak, Viliamas Utaras, Agapi Poclitar and Alfie Williams. There are a lot of children very close to this first award.

If you have not got the Dojo App already for your mobile phone, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Coffee Morning

Just a reminder that school holds a coffee morning every Friday in the Leapfrog room. If you've not been before pop in and have a chat and brew!



School Nurse Drop in Sessions

On the last Friday of every month, Rosie Simpson (School Nurse) will be at coffee morning for any parents that have any questions or worries about any child health issues.

Halloween

School has made a few changes to previous arrangements. We will be having a fancy dress Halloween disco after school on the 31st October. KS1 and KS2 will have separate discos at different times that evening. Children will not be able to come into school in fancy dress this year, but I will be looking forward to seeing them all dressed up in the evening. Tickets are £2.50 each and will be sold after school on Monday and Tuesday afternoons for those who want to buy one.

Spring Term Start Date

There looks to be an error on the term dates for the start of Spring Term. Monday 8th January is an INSET day and the school will open to children on Tuesday 9th January. We apologise for any confusion this has caused.