



# CROXTETH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## 4.12.17 NEWSLETTER

### Dance Troop success

A huge well done to all the children who completed in the dance festival at St John Bosco last week. The children did fantastically well and came second place! Great work!

### The children came 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. All children need to wear black school shoes.

### Punctuality and Attendance

Last week's attendance figures were 94.5% which shows an improvement but is way below the national expectation of 97%.

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.



Remember there are two Kindle Fire HD tablets and family shopping vouchers to win at the end of this term for children and families who show good attendance and punctuality.

### Christmas Story Competition and Book Fair

We have been donated a Christmas tree to help encourage children to read for pleasure at home. Parents and children are asked to read a Christmas story together and then use ideas from the story as inspiration for making a Christmas decoration which we will display on the tree. The winning decorations will receive a prize at the end of term.



There will also be a book fair on 7<sup>th</sup> December which will be open all week for parents and children to purchase books. The fair helps school to raise money to purchase books for the children in school.

### 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

5.12.17	Website photographer in school
7.12.17	Book Fair (all week)
8.12.17	Children's Centre Xmas Grotto
10.12.17	Croxth Hall Christmas Service
15.12.17	Reception Nativity
19.12.17	Year 3 Christmas Performance Christmas school dinner
20.12.17	Christmas Party Day
21.12.17	School Closes 2pm Finish
9.1.18	Start of Spring Term

### Last Week of Term

Monday and Tuesday: Children can wear a Christmas jumper instead of school jumper.

Wednesday: Party day – children can wear their own clothes

Thursday: Last day of term – Own clothes day £1 per family to raise money for school fund.



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#### **Local Authority Review**

The review has been reorganised for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January. We look forward to welcoming our visitors to the school.

#### **Dojo Awards**

The children are continuing to work hard in school to collect their Dojo points. They are given to children who follow the school rules, model our school values or who complete good work in class.



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

Prizes for the 75 and 100 dojo rewards have been selected by the school council – these include a pair of trainers of their choice and for 100 dojos they could win a Nintendo Switch! All children getting 75 or 100 Dojos will be entered into the draw!

#### **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.

#### **Parent Governor Vacancies**

There are still two positions available for parent governors to join the committee. If you are interested please pop in to see me and I can answer any questions you may have about the role.

#### **Packed Lunches**

It has been noticed that lots of children are bringing in energy drinks, cans/bottles of fizzy drinks and sweets into school as part of their packed lunch. As part of the Healthy Schools agenda please can you help us to encourage healthier choices.

#### **Tree Planting**

Our eco council met the Lord Mayor at Alt Park where the children helped to plant new trees.

#### **Website and App Update**

A new school website is due to be complete by the end of term. Remember the school app is still up and running and will keep you informed of important notices and news.