Cromford Church Of England Primary School







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Dear Parents

I was really pleased earlier this month to receive an email from the DFE saying our attendance had improved significantly and we were now in the top 10% of schools for attendance compared to others. At the end of the day, this is down to you and the work you do to get your children into school every day, so thank you very much for that. By getting children into school, you give them the best chance to succeed.

All the juniors enjoyed their trip to Longcliffe earlier in the month and we were even mentioned in the Derbyshire Times for the trip. It was also lovely to see so many of you at Parents Evening and discuss your child's progress.

We are very much looking forward to our panto trip on 5 December! Remember to come to school slightly earlier on that day and bring a packed lunch.

With warm wishes

Parents Evening



It was great to have so many parents attending parents evening. If you didn't get chance to book a slot and would like to discuss your child's progress, please speak to the class teacher or email the office to arrange an alternate time.

House Points

RIBER

107

CHATSWORTH

223

WILLERSLEY

183

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Stars of the Week (WE 17.10.2025 - 21.11.2025)

Hugo Ronan Jenson Bradley Henry
Freddie Evelyn B Anaya Brandon
Rory B Rowan G Alfie A
Alfie B Jelia Caylee Milana
Roman P Poppy Margot Mana
Benjamin Rowan B Joseph W

PTA Non-Uniform Day



The PTA have organised a non-uniform day in preparation for the Christmas Fair. The children are invited to wear their own clothes on **Tuesday 2nd December** in return for a donation bottle. Donated bottles will be used on the Bottle Tombola stall at the fair. The PTA will accept all kinds of full bottles such as: shampoo, wine, pop, ketchup and lotion.

Panto



If you haven't already, please login to Parentpay to consent to the trip. Please remember to send a packed lunch with your child unless you've ordered one through the office.

Children In Need 2025

The children have outdone themselves this year! They all looked great (photos to follow in the December Newsletter). Thank you for your generous donations. You helped raise a huge £133.50.

PTA Christmas Fair



The PTA Christmas Fair will take place on **Friday 5th December** from 15:15 in school. All are welcome!

Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day

All Children can come to school in their Christmas jumpers on **Wednesday 10th December**. Unfortunately, the kitchen is unable to provide a special Christmas lunch this year. The food on this date will be a roast dinner like other roast dinners on the menu. Please provide a packed lunch for your child if they usually have a packed lunch on a roast day. Thank you.

KS1 Christmas Festival

The children in KS1 (Reception, year1 and year 2) will be taking part in the Christmas Festival, which is being run by our sports provided RSSP, on **Thursday 11th December**. A letter has already been sent to the parents of those children. For those attending, please consent in ParentPay if you haven't already.

Christmas Service



The Christmas Service takes place on **19**th **December** at **St Mary's Church in Cromford at 1:30pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend to the church.

Pudsey Visit

The children were beside themselves when Pudsey visited. The Robins children sang and danced along with Pudsey to Head, shoulder, knees and toes before he left to visit the children in Owls. The children in Owls thought it was hilarious when he sat down to complete a colouring of himself. Pudsey then did the Macarena in the Owls class with the children before going to see the children in the Eagles class. We'd also like to thank Julie Taylor and Anne from Taylor Wilde Chocolatier in Cromford for the lovely Pudsey Chocolates. The children and staff thought they were a great.



Balance Bikes

The Robins children have had a wonderful time using the new balance bikes. We'd like to pass on our thanks to the PTA for purchasing them along with the helmets.



Longcliffe Visit

The children thoroughly enjoyed the trip to Curzon Lodge. We'd like to thank all the staff at Longcliffe for not only teaching the children about road safety but for also organising the whole trip and the coaches.



The children learned a lot, here's what some of the children had to say:

"The staff were fantastic. They showed us everything we needed to know about road safety" - Olivia

"One of the lorries was 44 tonnes!" - Alfie

"It was a really safe environment. The workers were really nice" – Charlie

Diary Dates

Tuesday 2 nd December	PTA – Own Clothes Day
Wednesday 3 rd December	Last Swim Session
Friday 5 th December	Pantomime – Confirm attendance in ParentPay
Friday 5 th December	PTA Christmas Fair – from 3:15pm
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11 th December	KS1 Christmas Festival (Recp,Y1 and Y2)
Thursday 18 th December	Party Day – Party Clothes and Party Lunch (complete the form)
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Service @ St Mary's Church 1:30pm
Friday 19th December	Last day of term
Monday 5 th January	Inset Day (Subject to change)
Tuesday 6 th January	Children return to school
Wednesday 14 th January	Swimming recommences
Wednesday 11 th February	Last Swim Session for Y1, Y5 and Y6
Friday 13 th February	Last day of term
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school
Wednesday 25 th February	First Swim Session for Recp, Y2, Y3 and Y4
Wednesday 25 th March	Last Swim Session
Friday 27 th March	Easter Service
Friday 27 th March	Last day of term
Monday 13 th April	Inset day (changed from 23 rd July)
Tuesday 14 th April	Children return to school
Wednesday 15 th April	Swimming recommences
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 13 th May	Last Swim Session
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of term
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school
Tuesday 2 nd June	Level 2 Bikeability for Y6
Wednesday 3 rd June	Swimming recommences
Tuesday 9 th June	Class Photos
Wednesday 1 st July	Final swim session for the year
Thursday 23 rd July	Leavers Service
Thursday 23 rd July	Last day of term
Friday 23 rd October	Inset Day