

Cromford Church Of England Primary School



October 2024 Newsletter

It doesn't seem possible that we will soon have completed the first half term of learning! The children have been working very hard in all of their classes and it's been a pleasure to walk around school and see them at work.

Often parents ask me what the best thing they can do to help their children's learning. My answer is simple: read with them! Reading opens so many doors and learning opportunities to the children: it exposes them to new vocabulary; it teaches them about ways of life and places that are different from their own; it gives them a lifelong skill that will be relevant across the curriculum and not just in English.

Younger children may benefit from the sounding out new words model with an adult alongside; whereas with older children you may check in with them from time to time about what has happened, what the themes of the text are or predicting what may come next. The last thing we want is for it to be a chore, but it is a really good way of interacting with your child about their learning.

Thank you for all you do to support your child with their learning; especially in reading.

Mr Wilson

Air Ambulance Visit

The 'Wear Yellow' Air Ambulance charity visit into school was informative for the children; they showed the children a presentation which explained how vehicles were used and how fast the crew could attend an emergency as well as the costs involved.

The charity relies solely on donations and they were very thankful for the generous contributions from Cromford School.

During the assembly, the children learned about a free to join children's club called #TheCrew. Should your child wish to join or if you'd like to learn more, please visit <https://theairambulanceservice.org.uk/childrens-air-ambulance/the-crew/>

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Welcome to our new reception children

Welcome to each and every one of our new reception children. They've settled in well and are ready to learn each morning.



Stars of the week 20.09.24



Stars of the week 30.09.24



House Points

RIBER

261

CHATSWORTH

322

WILLERSLEY

277

Open afternoon/evening

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All are welcome to attend our open afternoon and open evening on the following dates and times:

Tuesday 15th October 13:30 – 14:30

Thursday 17th October 15:30 – 17:30

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Pictures of something interesting

In the September newsletter, Mr Wilson requested photos from home of something interesting. We received this beautiful photo from Ruby. If you have an interesting photo, please email it to the office to be featured in the next Newsletter.



Cross Country



Cross Country is taking part on **16th October**. Those who are due to attend have been sent a letter. We wish our teams the best of luck.

Bikeability



Level 1 Bikeability is for our year 6 students and it will take place on **Tuesday 15th October 1-3pm**. Our year 6 students will need to bring the following:

- A roadworthy bicycle
- A well fitted helmet (No full face covered helmets)
- A waterproof coat
- Gloves (if the weather turns suddenly cold)
- Flat shoes/trainers
- A water bottle

Parents Evening



Parents evening will be held on **Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October 2024**. A letter will be sent out to all parents soon.

Children in Need 2024



Children in Need will take place on **Friday 15th November**. We are collecting for CIN again this year and we invite the children to come to school in spotty clothes or CIN clothing for a small donation.

Harvest Festival



Our Harvest Festival will take place on **Friday 25th October** at **9:30am** at **St Mary's Church** in Cromford. We will be collecting food for the Jigsaw Foodbank again. Donation items can be handed to a member of staff. Thank you for your continued support.

Remembrance Day



Information regarding Remembrance Day will be sent out at a later date.

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Term Dates



A full list of term dates for our school can be found on the Derbyshire County Council website - [School term dates and holidays - Derbyshire County Council](#) They can also be found on our website [here](#).

Be a parent Governor



Cromford Primary School Governors are looking for three more parent governors to come and join our friendly team of volunteers and staff who care about your school. You can put forward your parent's perspective to our work. Bring your life skills and experience to help ensure our children get the best possible education that Cromford Primary can provide. If you'd like to chat to one of the team, they'd be happy to tell you more. You will be able to meet Alison Whitaker, governor, at parents' evening or perhaps you'd like to catch Helen Wallace, a governor, who is often in school on a Tuesday. You can also pick up a pamphlet from the school office.

Eagles Class

In Geography we are currently looking at mapping in all its forms; using **Google Earth** and **Digi Maps** to explore our local area.



We visited the Open centre at Derby and explored a Hindu Temple, Mosque and a Gurdwara. We were made to feel very welcome and we all learnt a lot about different faiths.



We break up for half term on Friday 25th October 2024 and return on Tuesday 5th November 2024.

We hope you have a wonderful break.

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