

Cromford Church Of England Primary School



January Newsletter

Dear Parents

Attendance is a really important way of giving your child the best chance to succeed. The government says a good level of attendance is 95+%. Of course, we understand that sometimes children are ill and are unable to attend school; this is authorised absence. The same is true if you are attending an exceptional family event, such as a funeral. However, there are times when children have time off which cannot be authorised, such as holidays in term time or days not attending school due to birthdays. Only the school can authorise the reason for absence.

In September, everyone was issued with the renewed Derbyshire guidance, reminding parents of the role they can play to support good attendance. The current guidelines are that if you have 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a ten week period (there are 2 sessions a day, morning and afternoon), the school can notify the Local Authority, who may choose to impose a fine. The exact amounts are available on the Derbyshire website. We are very keen to work with parents to support good attendance and many of our children were awarded certificates in the final assembly of last half term for 100% attendance- well done to them all!

The term has started very busily with both cross country events at Whitworth Park and gymnastics at Anthony Gell School. We have also restarted swimming and brass lessons for the Eagles class.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ian Wilson- Headteacher

House Points

RIBER

448

CHATSWORTH

486

WILLERSLEY

344

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Bikeability



Bikeability level 2 will take place on **Tuesday 4th March**. Children who completed their level 1 in October may take part to gain their level 2. Children will need the following:

- A roadworthy bicycle
- A well fitted helmet
- A waterproof coat
- Gloves (if the weather remains cold)
- Flat shoes/trainers
- A water bottle

World Book Day



Thursday 6th March 2025 is World Book Day! More information will follow after half term.

E-Safety Sessions

E-Safety Sessions for the rest of the academic year:

- [Tuesday 25th March 2025 5.30pm-6.30pm: Gaming and Parental Controls](#)
- [Tuesday 17th June 2025 7pm-8pm: Social Media - Privacy Settings and Supporting Children to Stay Safe and Well](#)

Parents Evening



Parents evening will be held next term (date to be confirmed).

Red Nose Day

More information about Red Nose day on Friday 21st March will be provided after half term.

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Easter Service



Information regarding our Easter Service will be sent out after half term.

PTA



We'd like to thank the PTA for organising the Cauliflower cards again this year, it helped to raise £92. Also, thank you to all our parents/carers who purchased items through the Cauliflower group.

Christingle

The children had a wonderful time making the Christingles which were lit during the ceremony. You can see some of the pictures from the event below. Our thanks to Rev Pauline Key and Sheila Laming for coming to help the children and deliver the service.



Cross Country 2024 (Postponed)

Congratulations to Daisy on coming 2nd in the Y3/4 girls race at Cross Country on Wednesday 22nd January. The Children did really well and had a great time.



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Gymnastics Festival 2025

The children had a great time at the 2025 Gymnastics Festival, take a look at what they got up to below.



School Crossing Patrol Position



Derbyshire County Council are advertising a vacancy for a [School Crossing Patrol](#) for our school. If you're interested, you can use the link to view the position and apply or call Pat on 07796 997573.

The hours of duty are:
08.15 to 09.00am
14.50 to 15.35pm
TERM TIME ONLY

The hourly rate is currently £11.60 (a pay rise is pending).

Full training will be given to the successful candidate and full kit is provided.

Meet Mrs Holt!



I have worked at Cromford Church of England Primary School for 11 years, most of which I have been based in the Robins class.

My son is currently in year 9 at Highfields.

I enjoy yoga, spin classes and going to the gym. I can often be found in the kitchen baking new recipes, but I am yet to apply for the Bake off!

Facts you might not know about me

- I have driven some very fast cars, Maclaren being my favourite
- I helped organise a charity event that raised £40,000
- I worked as a nanny for 10 years at Thornbridge Hall
- One of my favourite countries to have visited was Dubai

I am currently organising a Rugby event for 1500 children to attend.

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Reminder of upcoming dates

Wednesday 12 th February	Last swim session
Friday 14 th February	Last day of term
Monday 24 th February	Children return to school
Wednesday 26 th February	Swimming recommences (Years 1, 2 & 3)
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day 2025
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 26 th March	Last swim session
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term
Monday 21 st April	Bank Holiday (School closed)
Tuesday 22 nd April	Inset Day (Subject to change)
Wednesday 23 rd April	Children return to school
Wednesday 23 rd April	Swimming recommences (Years R & 3)
Monday 12 th May	SATs Week
Wednesday 21 st May	Last swim session
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of term
Monday 2 nd June	Inset Day (Subject to change)
Tuesday 3 rd June	Children return to school
Wednesday 4 th June	Swimming recommences (Years R, 2 & 3)
Wednesday 2 nd July	Last swim session
Thursday 24 th July	Last day of term
Friday 25 th July	First day of summer holidays

We break up for half term on Friday 14th February 2024 and return on Monday 24th February 2024. We hope you have a wonderful break.

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