



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Crossdale News - we hope that you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Each class has a blog page where information for your child's class will be shared; please ensure you subscribe to this by clicking the link at the top of the page. If you aren't receiving notifications of blog entries, please check that you are subscribed to the blog page or speak to your child's class teacher; this is an important way to stay up-to-date with what your child might be doing in class as well as a way of us communicating important information to you.

Best Wishes,

Mr. Cresswell, Mrs. Westie & Miss Seedhouse

Mental Health Awareness Week 10-16th May

Next week we are going to be talking to the children about the '5 Ways to Wellbeing' as part of Mental Health Awareness Week. The 5 Ways to Wellbeing are a set of pillars which are key to improving our mental health, geared around themes of social connectedness, physical activity, awareness, learning, and giving. We thought that families might like to get involved at home and so with the kind support of one of our governors, we have [blogged](#) some activities that you might choose to do over the next week. We will also set these on your child's seesaw account, so that should your child wish to share photographs of some of the activities they have done, they can do so easily.



Crossdale's Roadmap out of Lockdown

As mentioned in our previous Crossdale News, we are following our 'Crossdale Roadmap out of Lockdown', in response to the government easing restrictions following the National Lockdown.

It has been lovely to see over the last two weeks children in Base One playing together at break times and eating together in the hall at lunchtimes. Our next stop on our roadmap is from the week beginning 17th May:

As with government guidance all is subject to change and will be reviewed regularly.

Date	Steps
Week beginning 17th May (Step 3 – not before the 17 th May)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start/end times to move to a drop off window from 8:50 (registration by 9am) and a 3:30pm pick-up • Base 2 to share playtimes • Base 2 pupils to eat dinner in class groups 12:30 – 1pm in the hall • Base 2 weekly assembly in the hall (Monday)
Week beginning 21 st June (Step 4 – not before 21 st June)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Base 3 to share playtimes • Base 3 to join Base 2 in the hall for dinner 12:30 – 1 • Y6 residential (TBC) • Y5 day trip (TBC) • Base 3 weekly assembly in the hall (Tuesday)
Week beginning 5 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pupils to share play times and dinner times • Sports Day (parents invited) • Whole school assemblies resume • Base days/parental support in classrooms allowed

We will continually review the provisions outlined above and will respond to any government guidance, or changes reflected in the government's roadmap.

Next week we will provide further information about the change to drop off and pick-up times.

Pyjamarama Day!

As mentioned on the [school website](#), and in the previous Crossdale News, this year we are going to join in with Pyjamarama Day, as a way to get children excited about reading, while raising money for a great cause.

Pyjamarama will take place on **Friday 14 May 2021**. We are asking that children come to school in the comfort of their pyjamas (or longe wear if they'd prefer), and donate £1 to BookTrust to help all children have access to stories and to reading. We will be organising some fun reading activities in school for the children to enjoy on the day.

Take a look on the Booktrust website for more information: <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/programmes-and-campaigns/pyjamarama/>



Children bringing money to school

On a couple of occasions recently, we have had children bring significant amounts of money to school. There isn't really ever a need for children to bring money into school, other than for fundraising activities. In these instances, money is usually handed in at the start of the day. If children do bring money to school, and it isn't handed in for safe keeping, there is always going to be a risk that it is misplaced or lost. This can cause distress and upset for the child and can take up a significant amount of time looking for the misplaced or lost money. Please could we request that your child / children don't bring significant amounts of money to school.

Long Hair

It is part of our school policy that long hair is tied back. This is primarily for health and safety reasons, but also to try to help reduce the spread of head-lice in school, which we do occasionally get. If your child has long hair, please can you ensure that it is tied back before they come to school. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sports Week and Sports Day



We're pleased to let you know that we are planning to go ahead with our annual sports week this year. Mr. Pharaoh is busy organising activities and events for the children to participate in during the week 14th-18th June and you'll soon receive an update with more information about what has been planned.

Ordinarily we would host our sports day on the Wednesday of sports week, but this year, due to the easing of the National Lockdown, we have made the decision to move it to the week beginning 5th July so that we can (hopefully!) invite parents to join us on the day. We will confirm the date in the next few weeks, but wanted to give you an update so that any parents who feel a little competitive, can start dusting off their running shoes ready for the parent races!

Walk to School Week and Happy Shoesday!

Keep an eye out for more information on the school website about our upcoming 'Walk to school week' 17th - 21st May, incorporating a 'happy shoesday' on Tuesday 18th May!

