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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

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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 and Miss Seedhouse

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## Morning Reading

Many thanks to everyone for supporting our new morning routine. We have been really pleased with how the children have come into school and have been ready for the start of the day. We will continue with this routine until further notice. If you have any feedback then please speak to Miss Seedhouse or your child's class teacher.

## Drop off and collection

Please can we ask that parents / carers do not use the school car park for dropping off children or waiting to pick them up. We try to ensure that the car park is kept clear of cars coming in, turning around and dropping off, as otherwise it becomes congested and potentially dangerous for our children walking to breakfast club, school or after school club. We kindly appreciate your understanding and support with this.

## School Photographs

Unfortunately school photographs have been postponed due to circumstances out of our control. We will aim to set a new date as soon as possible and will let you know once this is done.

## Upcoming Events

### September 21

PTA Welcome Disco 6-8pm

### September 25

School Photographs - POSTPONED

### September 24

Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> Sept: Parent Evening letters will be coming home

### September 27

2:30pm Y4 DT session, parents welcome

### September 28

Macmillan Coffee Morning

### October 4

Y4 DT afternoon, parents welcome

### October 5

INSET day – school closed to pupils

### October 9

PTA Film Night – more details to follow

### October 16

R-Y5 Flu Immunisation

### October 16

Parent Evening 3:30-6:30pm

### October 17

Base 1 DT Day

### October 18

Parent Evening 3:30-7:30pm

### October 26

Last Day of the half term

### November 5

Back to school

## Parent Evenings

We have scheduled Parents' Evenings for October 16<sup>th</sup> and October 18<sup>th</sup>. Letters will be sent home next week via your child; please indicate which times you would be available and return the slip to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. If for any reason you are unable to make an appointment to see your child's teacher on either of the above dates, please let your child's teacher know and they will endeavour to arrange a mutually convenient time for you to meet.

## Playground equipment before and after school

Before school and after school, we ask that children who attend Crossdale do not use the playground equipment as there isn't any staff supervision. We appreciate your support with this.

## The Crossdale Family is growing!

We are delighted to announce that Miss Seedhouse is expecting a baby early next year. The children have been told in assembly today and I'm sure they are excitedly trying to guess names and predict a gender! Miss Seedhouse has become an integral part of everything we do at Crossdale and will be hugely missed during her maternity leave. However, we're already putting in place a plan to cover her and will announce more details in the coming weeks – we are lucky enough to have a team with superb experience who can temporarily take over the reins.

## Harvest

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, our daily assembly will focus on a harvest celebration. We are hoping to build donations throughout the previous week so that we can make a contribution to the Clifton foodbank. The Clifton foodbank is part of The Trussell Trust's network of 428 foodbanks, working to tackle food poverty and hunger in our local communities, as well as across the UK. Every day people in the UK go hungry for reasons ranging from redundancy to receiving an unexpected bill on a low income. A simple box of food makes a big difference, with foodbanks helping prevent crime, housing loss, family breakdown and mental health problems.

We are looking forward to being able to present our donations to volunteers from the foodbank after our assembly on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. *We will appreciate any donations of dried or tinned foods and know that the foodbank are running particularly low on the following items; tinned tomatoes, instant mashed potato, UHT milk, sponge puddings and carrier bags* – you can see an up-to-date list on the foodbank website.

Your support is greatly appreciated. To find out more visit <https://cliftonng11.foodbank.org.uk/>

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Crossdale will be hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 9-11am in the school hall. Please come and join us for some cake!

There will be a **cake competition** so please sign up on the poster just outside the school office.

Children are also invited to **come dressed in green and purple (or just non-uniform!)** for the day too with a voluntary contribution of £1.

Take a look on the school website for up-to-date information:

<https://www.crossdaleschool.com/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=288>

## Keeping our children safe.

We are always encouraging our children to think about how to keep themselves safe online. Take a look at <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> for information around this topic.

## Reach for the stars!

Well done to the children who have completed their stamp charts over the last couple of weeks:

Reception: Maria, Henry B, Lilly, Imogen, Toby, Bailey, Matilda, Alec, Dorothy, Elise, Leo, Harriet

Year 2: Lauren, Izzy

Year 6: Shakya

## Roll of Honour

Please contact the school office, preferably by email marked 'Roll of Honour', if you would like to share the achievements of your children with the rest of the school community.

We love to hear about what they have been doing outside of school!