



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Crossdale News - we hope that you enjoy reading our newsletter; a communication for you with key messages and dates from school.

Please remember to keep checking our [school website](#), as this is where you should be able to find answers to many of the questions you may have.

Best Wishes,

Mr. Cresswell, Mrs. Westie & Miss Seedhouse

## Welcome back!

It's been lovely welcoming the children back into school this week; they have settled back into their classes well and have made a great start to their learning this half term! Please keep an eye on your child's class blog page as new information for the term will be posted here.

## Book Week: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March



We're getting ready for book next week, with our theme 'Books around' the world'. Activities have been planned for each day, including hearing stories from different teachers, having a story circle, paired reads and having a visiting story-teller to school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup>. During the week our assemblies will focus on stories from different countries. You should have today also received a seesaw post detailing information about our extreme reading photo competition and reading stars challenge.

We're also looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up on World Book Day (Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March) with costumes linked to a class theme:

R, Y1, Y2 (Base 1): Animals. The children will be making a headband in school to complement their outfit!

Y3: Greeks

Y4: Romans

Y5 & Y6 (Base 3): Magic and Wonder

## Upcoming Events

### February 28

Book Week

5pm – Y2 Parent Meeting for residential visit

### March 3

World Book Day – dress as a character from the selected class book (see main content of newsletter)

### March 10

5pm – Y3 Parent Meeting for residential visit

### March 14

Science Week

### March 15

16-16<sup>th</sup> March – Y2 Residential Visit

### March 18

Comic Relief

### March 29

Parents' Evening – Time TBC

### March 30

30-31<sup>st</sup> March – Y3 Residential Visit

### March 31

Parents' Evening – Time TBC

### April 1

Last day of the spring term

**Please see the school website for the [term dates for the academic year 2021/22](#).**

## Basketball fun

A huge well done to the children who took part in the basketball competition on Thursday evening against Brookside Primary School. The children were fantastic ambassadors of the school and enjoyed competing at their first event.

## Sports Clubs

If you've not already seen, Mr. Pharoah is offering morning sports clubs this half term. Please take a look at our [sports blog](#) for more information.



## Are you entitled to some extra support?

All children attending state-funded schools are eligible to receive a free school meal if their parent receives one of the following benefits:

- income support
  - income-based jobseekers allowance
  - income-related employment support allowance
  - support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - the guarantee element of state pension credit
  - child tax credit (provided they are not entitled to working tax credit)
- and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs)

It is important that all parents who receive one of the benefits listed above register for free school meals as this will enable us to claim pupil premium allocation. The pupil premium is additional funding given to publicly funded schools in England to raise attainment. This additional funding for schools can help to buy new equipment and resources to support your child.

More information can be found on the [school website](#).

## Holiday Dates

Our holiday dates can be found on the [school website](#). We encourage families to check that you have the most up-to-date information by checking these, especially as we had to change the original end of term date in July following the announcement of the Queen's Jubilee additional bank holiday.



We are hoping to publish the 22/23 academic term dates soon, once these have been approved by our Governing Body.

## Reach for the stars!

Well done to all of our pupils who have completed their stamp charts in the last 2 weeks:

Owls: Martha, Penelope, Shamiya, Melody, Rosa, Seth, Freddie Mor, Albie

Lime: Freddie, Grace, Sophia, Evelyn, Leo, Ava

Maple: Leo, Bailey, Joey, Amelia, Toby, Theodore

Apple: Ethan, Lauren, Elizabeth, Ava, Izzy, Maddie, Orla

## Roll of Honour

A huge well done to Evelyn L in Y2 for achieving her 'learn to swim level 3' award. This is a super achievement – well done!

Finn and Oliver in Y5 spent some of their half term litter-picking on the A60; with two bags of rubbish collected each, they've done a fantastic job of helping to improve the walkway, care for the environment and look after the wildlife. Well done to you both, what a brilliant thing to have done!



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!**

## SEND Survey

Do you have a child who has special educational needs or a disability? Nottinghamshire County Council and its partners across Education, Health and Social care would like to hear about your lived experiences as parents/carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) of SEND services and provision in Nottinghamshire.

Please take a look at the information on our [website](#) for more information. There are prizes available for completed entries! All entries need to be submitted by 28<sup>th</sup> February.

## School Menu



Our [school dinner menu](#) is available on the website. School dinners are now available to book and pay for on School Money.

Next week, we are on week 1 of our menu.