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Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 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 for your continued support during our morning reading sessions. We are trying to align our school bells so that one sounds at 9am as an indicator for parents / carers to head off. Currently the bell sounds just before 9am, so please bear with us whilst we try to adjust the timings of the bell sounding!

## Nottinghamshire County Council CCTV cars

Nottinghamshire County Council uses CCTV cars to enforce parking outside of schools. They visit every school in Nottinghamshire with parking restrictions and they record whilst passing the details of any cars parked illegally. The vehicle owners will receive a Penalty Charge Notice a few days later and many of these have been sent out as a consequence of using the vehicles. Parents are politely reminded not to park on the restrictions outside of the school in any circumstances. These restrictions are in place to provide a safe area outside of the school where the children will gather or cross the road and we ask for your help in keeping this area free of parked vehicles.

## Upcoming Events

### 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 19

Non-Uniform and cake sale for MAST Cell Action

### October 26

Non-Uniform for the Surprise Gift Room Donations  
Last Day of the half term

### November 5

Back to school

### November 6

PTA Meeting at The Peartree Pub  
6:30pm

### November 7

Phonics Evening for R and Y1 parents  
– more information to follow

### November 30

Non-Uniform for chocolate tombola donations

### December 7

PTA Christmas Fair

### December 21

Last day of the term

### January 7

Start of the spring term – Return to school

## Equality Duty

Your child should have today brought home information about our school Equality Duty, with space for you on the second side to record any information you feel appropriate to share with us. Please ensure that these forms are returned to school, no later than Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October so that we can compile the information, prior to setting our Equality objectives for the year.

## Parent Evenings

As you know, we have scheduled Parents' Evenings for October 16<sup>th</sup> and October 18<sup>th</sup>; we are looking forward to welcoming you into school. As well as being able to see your child's work and meet with the class teacher, we are going to provide tea and coffee in the hall where you will also be able to complete our parent survey which is being overseen by some of our school governors. Mrs Neale will also be in the hall to share some of the work that we complete during 'nurture sessions' and we will also have some information from our PTA; please take the time to come into the hall before or after the appointment time(s) you have been given.

## The Surprise Gift Room at the Christmas Fair

Your child should have brought home a leaflet today detailing information about the Surprise Gift Room which will run at our Christmas Fair on 7<sup>th</sup> December. If for any reason this didn't reach you, please take a look at the latest news section on the school website.

## Doodle Maths

Huge apologies for the issues we have been experiencing with Doodlemaths this term, please can we assure you that we are doing our best to fix them!

We have had a vast number of problems since they upgraded their system and as such I know many of you have experienced problems too, from logging on to losing stars etc. We are doing our best to ensure all pupils have access to Doodlemaths and are regularly communicating with them regarding 'fixing' snags. One thing to note is that if your child has logged onto the new version of the app at school, they will be locked out of the old version at home, and will need to download the updated app before being able to gain access again!

We'll keep you informed of any changes and will continue to keep trying to troubleshoot any problems but in the meantime please do keep doodling as, when it works, it is a fantastic resource for consolidating maths skills! Many thanks for your patience and understanding.

## Keeping our children safe.

Musical.ly App – What parents need to know: Take a look on [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org) for more information about this app, as well as safety features you can use.

## Reach for the stars!

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

Reception: Bhagya, Henry J, Amelia

Year 1: Charlotte, Alistair, Peggy, Alfie, Archie, Fergus, Remaya, Benjamin K, Olivia, Logan, Charlie, Jack, Caleb, Danny, Blake, Matilda, Reuben, Ivy, Luca, Enzo, Eadie, Imogen, Rosie, Owen, Ruby

Year 2: Orla, Faith, Elizabeth, Tobi, Oscar, Izzy, Harrison, Albert, Hamish, Madeline, Noah, Charlotte, Orla, Layla, Ava, Emma

Year 3: Isabel D, Samuel, Alfie, Mason, Isabelle W

Year 4: Poppy

Year 6: Charlotte, Shakya, Amy, Sarah, Ava, Josh, Zak

## Roll of Honour

A huge well done to Molly W and Olivia K for completing the 5K pretty muddy event to raise money for Cancer Research.

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!

## Harvest

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, our daily assembly focused on a harvest celebration. Many thanks to everyone for your generous contributions which are now ready to go the Clifton Foodbank.

## MAST Cell Awareness

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October we would like to invite the children to wear non-uniform for the day (if possible including wearing something blue or orange). We are inviting children to do this to raise awareness of the MAST cell condition, which is something one of our pupils has. In addition to non-uniform there will also be a cake sale after school. If you would like to make a donation to the charity 'MAST Cell Action' (see <https://www.mastcellaction.org/> for more information) on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> this would be gratefully welcomed. If you would like to donate cakes for the cake sale, please ensure that these are brought into school on the morning of Friday 19<sup>th</sup>. We thank you in advance for your support.

## Coats

As the weather is now changing, please can we request that your child / children come to school in a suitable warm and waterproof coat. If your child is wearing a fleece, then a waterproof coat that they can wear over the top of this would be appropriate. We thank you for your support with this.

