## Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News

This term our Values focus on Compassion <a href="https://crockerton.wilts.sch.uk/">https://crockerton.wilts.sch.uk/</a>



I am delighted to share that we have a new Compass Choir in the making. On **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November**, the choir will be singing at the market and the Christmas lights will be turned on.
Yesterday, we started learning the 6 songs, which we will sing with our 5 Compass School friends.
This is for KS2 children and Miss Trim will be sending out a letter soon. If your child would like to take part, please keep the date free and encourage your child to attend any song practise organised (mostly during play). Thank you for your support with this – how great to be a part of such an event.

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**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** — pupils who are looking to start school in September 2026 — we have an Open Morning to make Christmas Decorations 11-12am please let the office know if you would like a space — it is perfect for our siblings who are due to start!

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Thank you to Mrs Woodley for organising Potters' Bedtime story. How lovely to hear that the children enjoyed coming back to school in their pyjamas for a story. Thank you also to Mrs Aylesbury and Mrs Massey for helping.

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**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Stay Safe Initiative – ONLINE SAFETY TALK** for parents. As part of our continuing collaboration with our Compass Hub, we have arranged an online talk for all parents with Richard Pomfrett. I will share a poster over Dojo but this will be a great source for information about how the internet can be used safely. 90 minutes at 6pm. No need for cameras or speakers to be on!

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Sadly, Mrs Bowden will not be returning to school. We are currently advertising for a teacher to start in January 2025 and Mrs Crew and myself will continue to teach the Weavers children. Mrs Jarvie has also left school and again we are advertising for a Teaching Assistant to join our team.

We have also missed Mrs Massey this week, who has been out of school. Hopefully, back at the end of next week.

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If anyone has any unused **colouring books, felt tip pens and crayons** for Late Clubs, school would happily take these off your hands. Please do bring any donations into the school office.

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I was so impressed with the **group of swimmers** who have attended lessons on Tuesday. Their last swimming is NEXT WEEK and because of all their hard work and amazing listening, all 3 swimming teachers agreed that next week will be a Fun Swim. Last week, many children were assessed for their 25m, front and back, and many were successful! It was great to see such brilliant determination to succeed. This group continue in February, 2026.

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We do have **TD days on the 5<sup>th</sup> January and 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026** — Last chance for interest in Childcare for the TD days — if there is no more interest by the end of next week, I will take no further action to provide this.

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Kim Muller, our **Parent Support Advisor**, works in school once every 2 weeks. She has been a huge support to many already and she is a great resource for our school. Please do get in touch if you would like a meeting, phone call or 'Walk and Talk' session.

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A few reminders... please try to ensure your child has PE kits on PE days; black shoes with uniform; please only wear small stud earrings; tie long hair back; small watches — no smart watches; no nail varnish and small hair bands only.

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On **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**, 8 children will be travelling to Codford Village Hall for a Boccia and New Age Curing event for all Compass Schools. I will be sending information out soon, we will need to meet at The Bath Arms, Crockerton, to join the bus.

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Finally, I kindly ask for your **consideration** when emailing or messaging teachers via email or Class Dojo. Some teachers have reported receiving multiple messages late in the evening, which then require responses the following morning. Whenever possible, please speak to teachers at pick-up to arrange a suitable time for a face-to-face meeting. This approach helps save time, reduces unnecessary workload, and minimizes stress for everyone involved.

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