

# Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News



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*This has been a very long, busy week...thank you to all who have kept up!*

We had a wonderful '**Spirituality at Christmas**' Day on Tuesday with a variety of activities to provide children opportunities to think about Christmas in a quiet and reflective way. It finished in Church with a beautiful **Christingle Service**; every child held their burning Christingle Candle sensibly and maturely and Robert, the Lay Minister at our Church lit the Advent Candle, to mark the start of advent. The children's singing, once again, was joyful to hear. Thank you to our parents and grandparents in Church who were able to join us, it was great to see so many of you; my apologies for the delay with the start but Beeline had let us down on the transport arrangements initially, and a Robin on the bus just added to delays! Morrisons donated all the oranges to school this year and we have sent our thanks to them.

Mrs Aylesbury delivered a careful of donations following our month of **Foodbank donation** collections. We have done this for some considerable years – please do speak to me if you ever need support with food donations as the Warminster Foodbank, and our School Community would always be able to help.

Also, on Tuesday, I took a small team of KS2 children to Horningsham Village Hall to take part in a **Boccia and New Age Kurling** event, with other schools from our Compass Group – Chilmark, Wylde and Horningsham. All the children were brilliant, working with different children/teams to compete individually and as part of a team.

On Wednesday our Foresters class visited **Longbridge Care Home** – they sang some Christmas songs, talked to the residents and delivered their handmade Christmas cards. What a difference this makes!

Our **Christmas Jumper Day** was very well supported yesterday, all donations have been given to Save the Children charity.

We also welcomed some of our '24 starters to a **Christmas Workshop** – it was lovely seeing these children making themselves at home! Thank you to Mrs Woodley for organising this.

On Thursday evening, our children were invited to attend the **Carol Singing** by Shearwater Lake/Cafe. This is only the second year that the Village and the School have come together as a whole community and definitely hope it is not the last! A visit from Santa, via the Warminster Lions was great.

Thank you if you completed the **parent survey**, which is now closed. Next week, some Governors and I will be analysing the responses during our strategic governors meeting.

**Hedge Cutting** outside of school is due to continue on Monday.

**Mini Christmas Fayre** – Tombola, Filled Jam Jars and Cakes will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> December. Letter to follow from Friends. **MUFTI DAY on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> in exchange for Tombola prize**

## **Christmas Dates:**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Potters and Thatchers Nativity Performances. 2pm 6.30pm and 6.30pm

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch – I suggest some Christmassy Treats go in packed lunches this day too!

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol Concert 6.30pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Mini Christmas Fayre afternoon – HELPERS needed please if this is to go ahead!

Last day Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Christmas Walk leaving at 1pm. Early Home time finish 2.20/2.30pm

School Re-opens Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Please remember the Scopay App is the only way to book **Late Club and Extended Late Club (separately)**. Gates close after school at 3.35pm and open again at 4pm to ensure the after-school club runs smoothly and that children are collected safely. Payment is expected if the children attend due to not being collected on time.

**Please do not park in the school car park at the end of the day.**

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2 Corinthians 13:11

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## Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

**Ioan** – I have spotted you around school always following the rules, being kind and polite. You always take an interest in what you are learning – you were able to share about the parts of the Christingle confidently and unprompted in Church. Well done, Ioan.

### Spirit of Crockerton in Potters

**Alexander** has been outstanding and awarded the Spirit of Potters because of his persistence and enthusiasm for building 3D shape models in maths.

### Spirit of Crockerton in Thatchers

**George** has been awarded the Spirit of Thatchers this week because he has displayed a mature and responsible attitude in all he has done.

### Spirit of Crockerton in Weavers

**Thea** has been named the Spirit of Weavers this week because she always has her hand up and joins in with lessons respectfully and enthusiastically.

### Spirit of Crockerton in Foresters

**Jake** has been named as the Spirit of Foresters this week because he has applied himself in his learning; really focusing on his past test papers and learning from them.

### Highest Dojo Scorer in each class

**Miriam, Luke, Jessica and Hermione** – brilliant effort

### Thank you

**Jacob** for being so helpful and responsible on the coach to church, with Potters

### Bocchia and New Age Kurling

**Ella, Orla, Theo and George S**

### Riding

Well done to **Sam** who has gained 3 certificates for his riding. All very proud of you!

### Writing Bags have been given to the following children this week:

**Seb, Piper, Wilf and Oliver** *Please return these on Monday*

### Classes with 95% attendance or better:

Potters 99%    Weavers 97%    Foresters 99%

**Shearwater 110    Cley Hill 109    Wyllye 88    Longleat 87**

**Overall: Cley Hill 29    Longleat 28    Shearwater 30    Wyllye 37**

### Spirit of Houses awarded by House Captains.

Thomas

Annabelle

Ella

Millie M

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